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Message from the Publisher

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Offering of Faith

Beloved Brothers and Sisters!

I send you warmest congratulations: through our preblessing activities we broke through the barrier of 360 million couples (120 million who were blessed on June 13 this year, and 240 million additional preblessed couples) at midday on Tuesday, September 29. We offer our thanks and glory to God and True Parents who were behind us supporting our efforts.

Although we accomplished the goal in terms of numbers, there were regrettably many nations that did not reach their goal in terms of the standard. Our mission as leaders and members to give the blessing to all humankind requires us to continue to educate and guide these couples.

According to Father's instructions, the preblessed peoples should of course practice Hoon Dok Hae, but the existing blessed couples must guide them by their example. Hoon Dok Hae is the shortcut to knowing God more deeply, to properly understanding the spirit world and to knowing the way of true love.

Moreover, we are now building up a broad-based movement to find unmarried young people who wish to receive the blessing. All brothers and sisters throughout the world should support this campaign. Young people have a leading role to play in the future, and they should work to create the foundation for a peaceful society and world by establishing many exemplary families.

Who is this person we are attending and in whom we place so much faith?

True Father has offered up his life completely in front of God and is a role model of absolute faith, absolute love and absolute obedience. His life has been one of suffering and persecution, yet through his absolute faith he has unswervingly continued on. True Father told us: "The words with which God blessed me carried so much promise. But then I was thrown into jail, into a place of suffering. Yet, I never complained. Though I was falsely imprisoned, I never prayed to God to liberate me from that place." In truth, even in prison True Father volunteered for the difficult path. In front of history, at all times and wherever he was, he has been unashamedly walking the path of the public figure who takes responsibility for the providential way. He once said, "After speaking just one word in error I prayed and made conditions for several days to indemnify this."

In the book of Hebrews (11:1) it is written, "Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." Believing in things that are easy to believe cannot be considered genuine faith.

True Father has been carrying out two missions—the mission of restoration through indemnity, and the mission to realize the ideal of creation. Through the fall, humankind plunged into the realm of Satan's dominion. Father's first mission is to make the indemnity conditions to restore human beings back to their position before the fall, the perfection level of the growth stage. This means untying the tangled knots of sinful history. Through his life, horizontally, True Father has been opening up, solving and cleaning out all the complex problems of vertical history. All we have to do is establish conditions of indemnity that Satan, who has a claim on humankind, cannot accuse, and thus subjugate him: how are we to understand and grasp Father's difficult and lonely circumstances?

Through the fall, Adam and Eve became false parents. Human beings—who were born as descendants of the fall—can become children of the heavenly side through welcoming True Parents, and going the way of rebirth and the blessing. Fundamentally, children know nothing about the course of their parents. Only parents know the path and course they walked to become parents. It is not even something they can explain fully to their children—and furthermore, such explanation is not necessary. Then, how much less can humankind, as the children, understand the course True Parents have endured throughout the providence in order to resolve and settle everything? True Parents have walked a lonely and agonizing path and have carried the cross of being historical personages indemnifying the mistakes of love committed since Adam.

Moreover, how can we, as ancestors of humankind, representing Adam, understand the essence of God's ideal of Creation, and its realization, that He is revealing now for the first time? We cannot understand and believe all these things at once. We must go the way of unchanging and absolute faith in True Parents.

True Father has been attending God following his victory in the eight-stage historical course of indemnity, both vertically and horizontally. Vertically, he has set up conditions of restoration through indemnity beginning with the servant of servants level and progressing through the levels of servant, adopted son, illegitimate son, son of direct lineage, restored Eve, Adam, and God. Horizontally, he has established eight stages of restoration through indemnity from the individual, family, tribe, race (people), nation, the world, the universe and God.

We have been unable to establish indemnity conditions or offer our devotion for even a few

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4.4 JEOL

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KODIAK, ALASKA

Beloved Father!

The fallen behavior of the human ancestors that led everything to be lost in an instant caused You, our Father, the creator and master of this universe and of millions of generations, to endure through the ages, without any thought for Your own path of hardship and persecution, or for having to go the way of being an offering. Allow us to feel in our bones and flesh how much You have suffered up until this era of total liberation, from the victorious era of the individual through the eras of tribe and race, to the era of the nation. Allow us to know the fact that we must indemnify these things in the realm of our daily lives, and enable us to solemnly embrace our destiny.

Our so-called destiny holds that as we stand in a position to go forward even after we die, we must pass through our course of destiny, having to solve everything even if we have to continue after death in the depth of all the resentments of the fall. In the position of having to indemnify these things in the providence of salvation, centering on True Parents we have entered the Last Days of the world, an age in which no one is able to touch the problems of youth and families.

Just as it was the case that God could not lay His hand on Adam and Eve at the time of the fall, so now even Satan, who alone was active in the world that resulted, and who is no longer working on the level of the family but is embracing the world, cannot kill all those who are on the side of Heaven. Thus, all the problems of youth and families, which neither God nor Satan could deal with, are now to be solved centering on the name of True Parents by clearly explaining and by making all people realize the destined relationships of the spirit and physical worlds and of heaven and earth. As this is known to the spirit world and earth, and to the future world, the way that individuals, tribes, races, nations, the world and cosmos have to go is surely known to the spirit world and earth. Because this is now known, we can maintain a firm faith, which makes it impossible not to walk this path even if someone opposes or hinders us. I thank you for allowing us Your blessing of being able to have this kind of faith.

On the basis of such a principle, we have now reached the final point, at which the twelve peaks from the time of the 36 couples of the Kingdom of Heaven—who can represent all forms of all the tribes and races of Satan's world—up to now, can finally be transcended. To achieve a complete clean-up of earth and heaven, it was necessary to establish True Parents' authority over heaven and earth, an authority that can deny Satan's right of accusation and cut off the lineage of his world. Before True Parents walked this path, Satan had exercised his authority of hell on the levels of the nation and the whole world. True Parents worked on the national level to remove what he, Satan, had perpetrated. I again express my appreciation to You for the grace and forgiveness with which You have let us welcome the age that liberates the gates of the Kingdom of Heaven on the worldwide level; the age that can open the gates of the Kingdom of Heaven on earth and in

heaven, and is able to predestine us as the original and true descendants who are opened up to the destined relationship with True Parents.

Father! The severing of the lineage of Satan's world, through the 240 million couples' blessing centering on the coming February 7, has already been accomplished through the youth purity education in Korea. This victory is now advancing through Japan and America to the whole world. As this plan advances in Your will, let it connect to the day of victory and the era wherein You can freely exercise Your abilities of *jeon-chae* [the whole], *jeon-ban* [everything], *jeon-kwon* [absolute authority] and *jeon-neung* [omnipotence]. Today, with the numbers 4.4, let all the blessed families stand together, in the same position as True Parents, and get rid of Satan. The globalization of the historical tradition centering on the four position foundations of Adam's family and his children's was not achieved; the globalized four position foundation must be completed. I thank You for Your grace and forgiveness for letting us welcome the era of total liberation which can erase and transcend everything to do with that defiled lineage, and also remove Satan.

The ninth month of 1998: this is a satanic number centering on the number nine. Nineteen is also a satanic number. However, by connecting the number 8, I ordained this September 8 as 4.4 *Jeol* (Day to Commemorate 4.4). With this, the start of a new liberation based on this foundation of the number 4.4 can be proclaimed. I thank You for Your grace and forgiveness whence we can welcome the era of the Kingdom of Heaven, at which time all families and nations can enter into the open cosmos, centering on the number 4 of earth and of heaven.

Commemorating such a day, I desire to proclaim this in front of the whole and entire cosmos, in the names of True Parents and of God. Therefore, I implore You to bless us in welcoming the liberation, the era of liberation, at which time Your authority can be exercised centering on the abilities of *jeon-chae*, *jeon-ban*, *jeon-kwon* and *jeon-neung*.

Today, at this hour, together with the name of True Parents and the name of God, combined with the joyous proclamation of liberation, I am proclaiming the victory that can connect the realm of liberation for all people. I earnestly entreat You to receive this proclamation.

Now I ask You Father again for the grace to proclaim this day of 4.4 liberation in the name of God and in the name of True Parents, to the Kingdom of Heaven on earth and in heaven; I hereby proclaim the 4.4 day in the name of True Parents. Amen! Amen! Amen!■■■

[Editor's note: The following interpretations have been suggested: *jeon-chae*—the whole, expressing a more vertical, inclusive perspective; *jeon-ban*—everything, expressing a more horizontal, outward-looking or multi-directional perspective. We await further insight into the significance of this historic proclamation.]

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GLORIOUS TRUE FAMILY

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THE title in Korean is "Yong-gwang Dwen Cham Kajong." You know what *cham kajong* means. [True family.] And *yong-gwang* means glory. Thus the title in English is "Glorious True Family." What does glory mean? If we analyze the Chinese character for *yong*, there are two flames on top of a roof, and underneath there is a big tree. You can see how bright and how glorious it can be. *Gwang* means light—shining light.

Yesterday I returned from Jardim, Brazil, where on July 1 we established the Ideal Family Education Headquarters for World Peace. Do you understand the significance of this? In order to build a world of peace, there must be an ideal family as the root. Ideal means eternal and unchanging. The ideal world is thus an unchanging world. There can only be one ideal world, not two. When it comes to the concept of the ideal, absolute, eternal, unchanging and unique qualities are involved. First, absolute; second, unique; third, unchanging and fourth, eternal.

These four attributes, as we know, are God's inner attributes. God who is absolute, unique, unchanging and eternal wants to see these same attributes in human beings. Since God desires such a standard, we human beings desire the same standard. What is the ideal that God has been longing for? And what ideal has humanity been longing for? When there is nothing other than an absolute, unique, unchanging and eternal standard, then both God and humanity will like it. These are the four attributes and the standard that both God and human beings desire.

What else does God desire? Money? Knowledge? Power? God already has these. What is it that God desires the most? True love. True love also should be absolute, unique, unchanging and eternal. God cannot fulfill true love by Himself. Can you fulfill love by yourself? Can I fulfill love by myself? We absolutely need a partner of love in order to achieve love. No matter how handsome a man may be, he cannot achieve love by himself. No matter how pretty a woman may be, she also cannot achieve love by herself. The same principle applies to God. No one, including God, can fulfill love alone.

If we are created to fulfill God's love, there must be certain aspects of ourselves that can help us do so. God needs Adam and Eve, who are the center of the universe. In order to fulfill their love, Adam and Eve need all things. Of course, God created the entire universe and all things for His own enjoyment. But human beings also need to have nature as their object and love partner so they can find and fulfill love.

After God created Adam, He said it was not good for him to be alone. Because Adam looked lonely, God created Eve as Adam's partner. Then God said it was "very good." After God created Adam and gave Adam's love organ convex form, God created Eve as Adam's partner with a concave love organ. Why did God create Adam and Eve's love organs in such a way? The reason God said it was good after completing the creation of Eve is that He knew Adam and Eve could share their love by having these different

types of sexual organ—but also because through their love-making God Himself could simultaneously achieve love. It was good for God, good for Eve and good for Adam. With reference to what did God say, "It is good."? With reference to the sexual organs.

This is not a strange concept, but because of the fall of man, when people consider the meaning or concept of the sexual organs they think it is strange and dirty, or embarrassing. Yet the love organ is the origin of life, love and lineage, and the source of an eternal spring of love.

Why did God chase Adam and Eve out of the Garden of Eden right after their fall? After Adam and Eve fell, God could see clearly that they had lost their purpose because their love organs had been contaminated, even destroyed, as a result of the fall.

THE ORIGIN OF FALLEN LINEAGE

Some people still believe the human fall was caused by Adam and Eve's eating a literal fruit. But that is untenable, because original sin deals with the issue of lineage. Everyone admits that as descendants of the fallen Adam and Eve we inherit original sin. How could we inherit original sin apart from through having a fallen lineage? We could not. Also, the product of original sin is a self-centered way of thinking and way of life. Throughout human history, no matter where they were, human beings have had a self-centered outlook, and have been unable to change that.

Why do we have two eyes? We have two nostrils and two lips, two hands. The power that can combine and harmonize two different objects is the power of love. Whenever there is a give and take relationship between subject and object, there is a center, and that center is represented by true love. The concept of true love is that of the original essence of love created by God. In this sense we can interpret the human fall as the sharing of love without the true love center. Even when we consider the functioning of our eyesight, our two eyes are working separately yet they have their control center back inside our head. The same is true for our nostrils. The four different directions also always have one center. As long as east, west, north and south remain constant, there must be one unchanging central point.

EVERY PERSON DESIRES TO BECOME THE CENTER

No matter how ugly one may be, he or she has the desire to become the center of the world. Man desires to become the plus center and woman the minus center. This is the way man and woman harmonize. Extending this to the natural world, we can also see this manifested on the surface of the earth in the mountains and the oceans.

Would you rather God were a female or a male? [Both.] I am asking you to choose one now, not both. [Male.] Why? Because the male carries the seed of life. Is that true? Who is

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other's roles interchangeably.*

in the central position? Who is vertical, man or woman? [Man.] What about woman? [Horizontal.] When man as the vertical figure and woman as the horizontal figure meet, the angle at which they meet should be perpendicular. Only true love can establish eternal settlement when vertical and horizontal meet in the center.

Who is bigger, man or woman? [Man.] Why? Because man is vertical. Since man is naturally meant to be bigger than woman, when a woman sees her love partner, her husband, she goes to embrace him and swings around him with her arms around his neck. This is horizontal hugging. Forming a 90 degree angle in this way, how beautiful they are! Do you like that? [Yes.] But the men do not!

If we consider man and woman in terms of the human body, man is in the position of bone, and woman in the position of flesh. You may want to argue over why man should have the role of bone and woman the role of flesh. Bone consists of little water, while flesh contains over 70 percent water. That is why the shape of woman's love organ is concave, like a container to receive water. The shape of man's love organ is shaped like a bone and should be strong like bone. Then it functions very well when husband and wife make love. Man's sexual organ is bone and flesh, while woman's body is flesh and water.

We are a combination of the bone we received vertically from our father and the flesh that we received horizontally from our mother. The combination of these two, the vertical and the horizontal, is myself.

Which lasts longer, bone or flesh? The vertical element, bone lasts longer. Therefore who is the vertical figure? [Man.] The horizontal figure is woman. While woman revolves around 360 degrees, man is positioned in the center and spins. Can man and woman, in the vertical and horizontal positions, exchange positions as they start turning? As they turn, a complete circle of 360 degrees should be formed.

Can man and woman change the number of degrees in a circle? When they form a perpendicular, 90-degree angle, what do you think will happen if some outside force comes against it? The angle will be altered; it will no longer be perpendicular. Suppose your watch breaks. You will open it up and repair it, but it will never be as good as new.

What is the meaning of true love? When vertical and horizontal love meet at the central point, forming a 90-degree angle, this represents true love. Why is this meeting point of true love in the center? It makes no difference, once you form that 90-degree angle in the center, whether you make the man vertical and the woman horizontal or vice versa; the center point is still the same. The value is the same. The size is the same. Everything is equal.

In other words, the meaning of the ideal family is the family in which the wife can function vertically like the husband, forming a 90-degree relationship. In the ideal family it is no problem if the wife takes on the role of husband. If there is no father or mother the children can play the role of the parents; if there is no son, then the daughter can play that role. What about in America? Can we find such families in America? Once an ideal family is established, husband and wife can

carry out each other's roles interchangeably. Do you follow? So we must have bone and flesh together. If we look at a fingernail, is it more similar in structure to bone or flesh? It is more like bone because it has a certain rigidity. If it were merely soft flesh it might get crushed. If your toes did not have nails, you would not be able to balance when standing. We do not usually think of that. Our fingernails and toenails are very important because they are hard like bone.

In this sense, which do we rely on more in our life, our bone or our flesh? Which helps us more? [Bone.] If we touch bone, no imprint is left and there is no sensation. But if we push flesh hard we can see an indentation or mark. Such a difference also exists between man and woman.

Do you women want your husband to be a feminine or a masculine man? A masculine man is unchangeable whereas feminine nature suggests greater changeability. So who is more changeable, man or woman? [Woman.] Then, do you want to see your husband standing like a rock or pillar, stern-looking and saying little, or running around more like your pet dog? [Like a pillar.] Such a man will eternally uphold an unchanging standard. Do you want him to be like that? [Yes.] But I don't like that! Man does not like man. That is why he needs woman. If nothing is changing, there can be no fun. If there were only men, just standing still like pillars or mountains, there would be no fun. Therefore, by having certain changeable elements we can have harmony, happiness and freedom. I like that.

Women should be able to embrace all their children and grandchildren and present them to their husband and the grandparents. A mother is in the queen's position to raise the children of her family and tribe, whereas her husband is in the king's position of the entire nation. That is why the husband is meant to go out and be more mobile.

Suppose I had just stayed in Korea for God's providence. Then you would not have had any chance to learn about the reality of the Kingdom of God. Instead, however, I set out from Korea and came to America, even though the entire nation was opposed to that.

Women must know clearly the identity of woman. Men should know man's identity clearly. We should understand the relationship between man and woman in the family. That is the only way we can build an ideal family based on true love. Who cries more easily, man or woman? [Woman.] Why? Since women always face four different directions—east, west, north and south—they often cry. Why? Because then in your marriage, whenever you shed tears your husband can sympathize with you and comfort you. That is the way your heart can be connected with your husband's heart.

I will tell you a secret. When you wives make a small mistake in your family, if you just shed tears in front of your husband, that is the superhighway through which you can secure your husband's forgiveness and love. American women don't know this. That is why they are so proud. Instead of shedding tears, they just keep shouting and then they lose the privilege of marriage. When his wife starts shedding tears, a husband feels, "Oh, she must be longing for my love." When Mother comes and tells me to put on a

If men and women from enemy families, enemy nations and enemy races marry in order to build a world of peace, then naturally there will be peace.

coat, I follow Mother's request and do that. No wife would complain about me!

THE ORIGINAL VALUE OF THE LOVE ORGANS

Have you truly reflected on how much God thought about Adam and Eve's compatibility after he created them—about how well they fit together and how excited they could feel to complement each other as they do? Even if I explain about such things as the sexual organs and kissing, don't feel strange. I am giving you the truth about the original organs. Aren't man and woman supposed to kiss each other? You know better than I do! When the husband goes to work every morning, if the wife is left behind without having been kissed, then all day long she will feel kind of lonely and sad, saying, "Well, my husband doesn't feel good today." But Oriental wives do not feel that way. Mother is not that way. During a busy time, if I try to kiss Mother, she runs away. Mother is very wise. Think about it; if there were a fire, or even an important telephone call or something really urgent that needed to be taken care of, and you had to give a kiss to your wife, then if she was eating something she would have to brush her teeth, or if something were on her cheek she would have to wash her face; it would be a nuisance. If she didn't have a handkerchief handy she would need to go to wash in the sink—it would take time. So do you still think a husband should kiss his wife before leaving? [Yes.] The American women respond, "Yes," but Oriental women would say, "No, no, no; it's okay" There is that much difference.

INTERNATIONAL MARRIAGES

I came up with a brilliant way of harmonizing these two completely different ways of life and thinking—through promoting marriages between people from the Orient and the West. I am naturally the king of matchmakers and have dealt with many Western husband candidates. Among them, usually seven or eight out of ten wish to have Oriental wives. What do you American and Western women want to do, then? You cannot find a husband. If all Western men prefer to have Oriental wives, then where can we find husbands for the Western women? [In the East.] Koreans and other Oriental men are not very big. If the woman is tall and the man is short, how can they achieve balance? However, there is no other choice. After sincere study and research, I came up with this solution. If men and women from enemy families, enemy nations and enemy races marry in order to build a world of peace, then naturally there will be peace. A world of peace and natural harmony will be established. Do you think this is possible? Yes it is, because the spirit world is like this. A world in which the children of former enemies marry, and in which enemies give their blessing to each other's children when they marry, and pray for their happiness—that world will become the true world of unification, harmony and peace. Amen. Do you want to say amen to that? [Amen!] Don't you feel good after you shout it out?

Many Americans dislike Korean people. They do not like

to hear the name "Reverend Moon." Many dislike that Korean man and believe he is the worst kind of person. They want to shout, "Reverend Moon, go home." Most American people have been thinking that way up to now, wanting to push me out, haven't they? This is undeniable.

What about you? Do you welcome True Father? [Yes!] You like True Father because he always gives you the word of truth and treats you well. But if instead I were to come every day to scold and criticize you, would you still like me? Who would run away first, Japanese women, American women or Korean women? American women would leave first, Japanese women second, and Korean women third. Do you like Koreans? [Yes.] In general Americans and Japanese do not like the Korean people. Then how can I recommend marriages between people from these countries? The entire world can be unified through this kind of exchange.

Whom do you Western sisters like more, Japanese people or Korean people? [Both.] Between Korean men and Japanese men, which has a more manly physique? Wherever they go, Korean men always create waves, or cause some kind of problem. They are world-level troublemakers. Why is that? Wherever they go, Korean men usually have a tendency to buy expensive and good quality clothes. Even though the food in their home may be really humble, or there may not even be enough money to buy food, they always spend extra money to buy good clothing and show off. Also, when it comes to giving tips, they are generous. When giving gifts, a Japanese person may divide one gift into ten parts and give one small part each time, but Koreans do not calculate like that. If they have a big gift to give they will just give it, then forget about it. That is why wherever Koreans go, women like them. Why is that? There is no corresponding word in English, but Korean men are great fun, well-dressed, handsome and versatile. That is why they are welcome wherever they go. They can sing, they are artistic, they converse well. Reverend Moon exemplifies such Korean men, wouldn't you agree?!

ESTABLISHING A GLORIOUS TRUE FAMILY

Is there any one of you who does not want your family to become a glorious true family? Does everyone want that? At over seventy years of age, I may think and worry about having a glorious true family, wondering, as seventy years have already passed how I can achieve that. However, don't you think that, as young people in your twenties, thirties and forties, you still have plenty of time to make your family a glorious true family? But doesn't someone like me, who is over 70 years old, still have time? Why do I have hope? Because the spirit world exists, there is hope. Once we enter heaven in the spirit world, we remain at our prime of life for eternity. Also, as we keep improving our internal qualities, our appearance becomes more beautiful and more inspiring. Once we know the reality of the spirit world we can immediately be connected to it. Because of the human fall, however, up until now human beings on earth have not understood the reality of the spirit world.

In the spirit world, love will shine like light because that is the origin of our life. Just as in this earthly world the sun is the source of life, when we enter the spirit world God himself will shine like the sun.

What about the Unification Church—what should we do? This is where we should seek to realize a glorious true family within our own families. Those of you who have confidence that you will never die, raise your hands. In this area, everyone is equal. Whoever you are, you have to pass into the spirit world. The origin of this vertical aspect of reality is God. The origin is not the things of the earthly world that change, but the unchanging bone-like aspect that is God. Our mind will be in the position of flesh in the spirit world. Where does this mind stem from? From our parents' true love. In the spirit world, therefore, the bone of our being will be true love. If one strand of my hair were to be really studied under a microscope, then everything about me could be understood through my DNA. By the same token, because God is the origin of this bone—the entire spirit world—when we enter the spirit world we can encounter God's attributes and characteristics by meeting God's representatives there.

In the spirit world, love will shine like light because that is the origin of our life. Just as in this earthly world the sun is the source of life, when we enter the spirit world God Himself will shine like the sun. Every existing being in the spirit world will turn toward God, toward God's light of love. Then as long as we as individuals are ready to receive this love light from God, just as when a light is turned on the bulb immediately passes an electrical current and glows, we too will be able to glow. Thus, in the spirit world people will shine like stars. There will be sun, moon and stars: the sun and moon representing the king and queen, and stars representing the people. There will be only one sun and one moon, Father and Mother, but there will be many stars of differing size and brightness.

Once we leave this earthly world and enter the spiritual world we can travel anywhere. We can even penetrate this planet, passing through its waters and even through the earth itself. As long as we go with God's true love, nothing will stand in our way. The speed of light is equivalent to going around the earth seven and a half times per second. But the speed of love is millions of times faster than the speed of light. It is just a matter of thought. As long as you have true love as your motivation, then the vast spirit world is your arena to move around in.

If that kind of world is waiting for us and we are to play a major role there, do you think we have to carry this physical flesh with us when we go to the spirit world or just leave it behind? Then, is it better to live a shorter earthly life or a longer one? Do you want to live here longer? In this earthly life, if we want to travel ten miles we need a car, or if we walk that distance we will sweat—there are always such limitations here, aren't there? Which would be better, to pass into the spirit world as an elementary school-age child, or to reach adulthood and receive a Ph.D.? [Receive the Ph.D.] Why? Those who have a doctorate may feel, "Well now I have completed my studies, so I do not have to read any more books," but elementary school children will continue studying. In this earthly world we are frequently told to do good deeds and to serve others, yet we usually do not. After we enter the spirit world, if we have not trained ourselves we will not be in a

good situation.

What do we call a funeral service in Unificationist terms? [Seung Hwa.] The Seung Hwa, or Ascension Ceremony. What does this ceremony mean? It signifies that we are ascending to another dimension. Although it is like moving from one house to another, we go vertically into a world of another dimension. This earthly world is the limited, finite world. But we are talking about moving on to an infinite and unlimited world. There are all kinds of restrictions here, but in that other dimension everything is wide open. There are no limitations. A glorious true family is a family that is happy in this earthly world as well as in the spiritual world. The Owner and Center of the spirit world is God. A glorious true family is a family in which the Owner and Center of the universe can dwell, a family that brings eternal joy. In such a family, husband and wife appreciate one another eternally, because only one's spouse can be one's eternal partner in love.

Even God needs a true love partner. Who is in the position of God's love partner? When we say "man," of course we mean man and woman together, humankind. Centering on true love, man as the plus figure and woman as the minus figure should become one. Is that true? We resemble God's invisible original sung sang and hyung sang. When this invisible, original sung sang and hyung sang of God divides into visible sung sang and hyung sang, it manifests as man and woman—plus and minus—both having equal value.

[Father refers to the blackboard] So we can say this is the physical world and that is the spiritual world. From here we can reach the conclusion of the origin-division-union theory. In the individual, the mind is in the position of plus and the body in the position of minus. It is the same for both man and woman. They should become one. Man represents plus and woman minus. But when it comes to the individual, we all want to become the center of the human race. Then we need our family. We want to become the center of our family, the center of our tribe, the center of our people, the center of the world and the center of the cosmos. Like it or not, we all have the desire to become the center of all these different levels. Viewed vertically, expansion from the individual leads to the cosmic level. Following this principle, there should be just one nation.

THE FULFILLMENT OF GOD'S LOVE

Through having a give and take relationship, there will be spherical movement in a complete circle. One cannot form a sphere by oneself; there is always the need for an object. A man wants to have the best woman in the world; a woman wants to have the best man. Is that true? God has the same desire. God wants to have a partner in love who is better than Himself. That is why we have the same kind of desire. When we marry we want our spouse to be thousands of times better than ourselves.

The same principle applies when we have children. Adam and Eve are in the position of the children of God, but in front of God, Adam and Eve are, as a couple, in the position of object—similar to the relationship between husband and wife.

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If God is in the position of husband, Adam and Eve are in the position of wife. With reference to the origin-division-union theory, man is in the position of God's original sung sang and woman is in the position of God's original hyung sang. This is why we absolutely must unite our mind and body. Because of the fall of man, this oneness between the original mind and the body was destroyed and broken. The history of restoration became necessary in order to mend this. Of course, God's inner sung sang manifests in man and woman differently. The ideal of God's love does not manifest in them as individuals, however. It will only manifest when they become one as plus and minus through their conjugal relationship. This is the process to fulfill God's love. To perfect God's cherished ideal, man and woman, representing the complementary aspects of God, must become one through love—including physically. God can thus wear a physical body through Adam and Eve as they become one with Him.

Without man and woman experiencing the marriage relationship their bodies cannot become one. Only through marriage can they be united. Their minds become one to begin with, then their bodies follow suit. God's mind is thus manifested as plus and minus through man and woman, then through marriage God's love is revealed. This is the culminating point at which man's mind and woman's mind, husband's mind and wife's mind, become one. God's mind and the human mind meet there also, and become one.

Then who is the owner or center of love? When there is lovemaking horizontally between husband and wife, God comes down and appears in the center. Vertically speaking, origin-division-union action takes place here centering on love. Origin-division-union action begins with each individual. Then, as we become one through the conjugal relationship, God descends to that point, and this again becomes the union. This is the unity of mind and body, or *shimshin ilche*. The husband's mind and body become one, and the wife's mind and body become one. Then, through marriage, husband and wife become one. Thus, *shimshin ilche* means the total oneness of mind and body as well as the realization of oneness between husband and wife, and even between God and man. Complete unity occurs. Through this vertical and horizontal process of origin, division, and union God can wear physical bodies such as those of Adam and Eve. In other words, the invisible God can appear as the visible God through Adam and Eve. That is why perfected Adam's family would have been called God's family, God's descendants and God's children—because God would have manifested through Adam's family physically.

THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE FALL

Had the fall of man not occurred, there would be no conflict between mind and body in human beings. There would automatically be absolute oneness between mind and body, and between man and woman. Perfected man and woman would eventually become perfected husband and wife, and God would come down to them and remain as their center. Then after passing into the spirit world, this true family

would live with God for eternity. God would be able to dwell in such a glorious true family. Man is in the position of God's sung sang and woman in the position of God's hyung sang. They must therefore become one. Of course, it is the same for you: your mind aspect and your body aspect should be united totally in oneness with your wife's mind aspect and body aspect. Mind to mind and body to body. When such oneness occurs, God can come down and dwell within you.

Had Adam and Eve not fallen, God would have taken dominion over the entire world through them. Although that was not possible due to the fall, a new era has now dawned in which God is working through the True Parents, just as He originally would have through Adam and Eve. In this way, the invisible God wears a visible shape. He is incarnate in the True Parents. That is why even if you go to the spirit world you cannot see God. Once the Kingdom of God on earth and in heaven is established, however, God will reveal Himself as a visible God.

As a result of the fall of man there have been many different standards by which people have lived in this earthly world. There have been both good people and bad. That is why in the spirit world there are different levels including paradise and hell. In God's original blueprint, however, the spirit world was not to consist of different levels. Only now that the time has come in this physical world when the Kingdom of God is being established will the entire spirit world achieve one level. It will be the Kingdom of God in heaven throughout.

After the fall led to the emergence of different standards on earth, they carried over into the spirit world. The level of existence one has in the spirit world is determined by the quality of one's life on earth. Since human history began centered on false parents, neither the spirit world nor the earthly world is the heavenly world God desires. How then can we create the world of God's original desire?

The Second Advent means that the True Parents have appeared on earth. False parents made the earth into a place of falsehood that needs to be restored. Based on True Parents' original true love, the outlook and experience of individuals, families, tribes and the nation should be combined to create one nation under God, and one world under God. Do you understand? The concept in America of one nation under God is not enough. It should be one world under God. One cosmos under God. True, absolute love, the seed that links everything throughout the world, should have dominion. The fallen world was established and has developed without this seed, however. This world filled with the results of the fall must diminish. Only the concept of the Kingdom of Heaven is to remain. Do you understand?

The blood lineage of the fallen world is a false one. The true blood lineage of God's original world should link everything together. How can the Unification Church initiate the realization of that original world? Through marriage. Marriage is the way to engraft the family. The family and tribe were lost at the outset through illicit love. In the present time, the preblessing of many existing marriages is connecting

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these families with true love. Preblessing is a method of engrafting all the families of the human race. Do you understand? That is the final purpose – the cutting away of Satan’s blood lineage and cleaning up of the fallen world. Without making such a foundation, God cannot descend and work on earth.

The American-style system in which you grew up is not yet ideal! America does not belong to God’s world, but is on Satan’s side, which is a multi-changeable realm. A changeable America and a changeable world are hell, not the Kingdom of Heaven. Satan is dragging down all humanity, making this the worst kind of world. How can we prevent that, and win the world back for God’s side? Our mission and responsibility, as well as the power to accomplish this, are evidenced in our Unification activities.

The direction to God’s kingdom is 180 degrees opposite to the direction of Satan’s world of hell. Immorality is rampant throughout the secular world today. If you follow a path opposite to the trends of the secular world, you can be sure you are on the right track to heaven.

What are the four major attributes of God? He is absolute, unique, unchanging and eternal. In the relationship between God and humankind, God is in the position of subject and we are in the position of object. We must therefore establish a family based on a standard commensurate with these attributes of God. It is logical to say that since God is absolute, unique, unchanging and eternal, the love partner God seeks should be also. When God created this universe, He invested an absolute standard of faith, love and obedience into His work of creation. He applied absolute faith, love and obedience from the outset. He created everything based on such an absolute foundation, nothing less. The standard God established for His creation was thus one of absolute faith, absolute love and absolute obedience. When God created human beings He applied absolute faith, and gave His absolute love. To raise and nurture them He practiced absolute obedience.

When there is absolute trust between husband and wife in the marriage relationship, then love flows naturally between them. This illustrates the concept of true love following absolute faith. Within absolute faith, the seed of absolute love is automatically planted. When this seed of absolute love germinates, new buds can be seen opening. Then you must nurture them. God invested Himself completely into setting that up, because He wanted to secure a partner in love who was hundreds of thousands of times better than Himself. That is why God applied absolute obedience in nurturing Adam and Eve. Absolute obedience means investing absolutely, forgetting what you have invested, and continuing on without ceasing. Do you understand?

The concept I have mentioned about partners—that we wish for a partner thousands of times better than ourselves—is because of the very principle that God Himself applied to His creation. All things began their existence on that foundation. Just as in the relationship between man and woman love flows from plus to minus and makes a complete circle, this is precisely the principle God follows, giving of Himself one

hundred percent, forgetting what He has given, and giving again and again. That is true love.

IDEAL FAMILY EDUCATION

True Father’s first declaration in Jardim is related with a new Garden of Eden. In the first Garden of Eden, God invested absolute faith, love and obedience in His work of creation. By the same token, in this era of the new Garden of Eden we human beings should be able to apply absolute faith, love and obedience in our relationship with nature, just as God did. We received this standard from God, so we have to pass on this same standard to all things, to the natural world.

That is why I proclaimed absolute faith, love and obedience. Within that standard there is no concept of the fall. Based on such an absolute standard humankind can take dominion over nature because all things were created on that absolute foundation with nothing to do with the fall. Man has to rise to that level so as to be able to take dominion over nature.

When we study the history of the Unification Church blessing, we see that by fulfilling the blessing of 360 million couples, the twelfth level blessing will be accomplished. This new era, in which we can live with God by establishing an ideal, glorious true family, is therefore now dawning.

I will soon return to Jardim, as it is there that I have now established the headquarters at which I will educate ideal families for world peace. Our blessed couples have been growing vertically, but as yet have no foundation horizontally. We will be able to establish that through the special training course offered in Jardim, by following Father’s teaching and directions. During forty days of education and training, the participants can inherit True Parents’ foundation on the individual, family, tribe, and national levels—up to the cosmic level—and thereby horizontally attain and enjoy the level of a true ideal family.

EIGHT STAGES OF RESTORATION

Adam and Eve, who were originally to become the sinless, perfected ancestors and True Parents of humankind, perpetrated the human fall. That is why True Father himself, in the position of the restored, perfected Adam, had to pass through all eight stages of restoration. As blessed couples, however, we have been merely following in Father’s footsteps, in the position of the archangel—not as the satanic archangel, but as the heavenly-side archangel. Now is the time, however, when you must reach Adam’s level. To accomplish that you must be able to inherit everything I have accomplished and the victories I have won until now. This is the education and training course I am offering you at the Jardim education headquarters. That is why I am emphasizing that the entire family, the four position foundation of parents and children, should participate there together.

Moreover, as a tribal messiah you should bring your tribe of 160 families. As they complete this education, there will be

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Hyun Jin Nim Earns a Harvard MBA

ON June 4 of this year, Hyun Jin Nim received his master of business administration (MBA) from Harvard Business School, taking just eighteen months to complete what is normally a two-year post-graduate course.

True Mother, Hyun Jin Nim's family, other members of the True Family, and senior church leaders attended the graduation ceremony in Boston.

Hyun Jin Nim expressed that he had taken the course to come to grips with the organizational problems confronting the church and businesses, assist in their development, and thereby support True Parents' providential work. His concern for the True Family's homeland of Korea found expression in his dissertation on the possibilities for international investment there.

Harvard Business School is recognized as the foremost business college in the United States, drawing applicants of exemplary academic quality and demonstrable aptitude in the field.

Hyun Jin Nim graduated from high school in Tarrytown, and studied history

at New York's Columbia University where he was honored for outstanding scholarship. As chief executive officer of United Vision group, listed by *Inc.* magazine as one of America's 500 fastest growing companies for three years running, Hyun Jin Nim simultaneously created a successful foundation in the business world. His Harvard MBA will certainly add weight to this.

Since his installation as vice president of FFWPU International, Hyun Jin Nim has been focusing on education for the second generation. To that end, he recently organized and led a

special training course for second generation leaders, in Alaska.

Hyun Jin Nim is also planning to further his own education by enrolling at the Unification Theological Seminary in the near future. ■



True Family congratulate Hyun Jin Nim on his graduation (Left to right: Yun Ah Nim, Sun Jin Nim, Kook Jin Nim, Shin Won Nim, Mother, Hyun Jin Nim, Shin Joong Nim, Shin Eh Nim, Jun Sook Nim, Soon Ju Nim and Hwa Jung Nim)

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Alaskan Adventure: Moose Hunting with Hyun Jin Nim

Jinhyo Kwak
New York

ON the evening of August 9, Hyun Jin Nim and eleven second generation members,

including the heads of the Second Generation Departments from Korea, Japan and Europe, left East Garden for special training in Alaska. It was Hyun Jin Nim's desire to train and educate those in responsible positions to fully recognize the desire and direction of True Parents and True Family so that they will be better prepared to guide all other blessed children. And he hoped that this physically and mentally challenging experience of hunting and fishing in Alaska would be a means through which to build the internal qualities required for young people to become qualified future leaders.

It took seven days of hard driving for our two vehicles to reach Anchorage. Every day of the trip was a valuable time of learning and reflection, through Hyun Jin Nim's guidance and following the Hoon Dok Hae tradition, among other things. Once we arrived at Kodiak, we spent the next forty days fishing and hunting, where we were continuously guided by Hyun Jin Nim as well as True Parents.

Hyun Jin Nim spent part of the training time to hunt for a Yukon moose, the largest species of the deer family. He invited three people on this trip to yet another part of Alaska called Ilyamna; Ian Reid, an American member with much hunting experience, In Bong Lee, a second generation member from the Korean Headquarters' Culture Department who was to videotape the trip, and myself.

After preparation of food and gear, the four of us first flew to Anchorage and then to Ilyamna. From there we were to reach our campsite on the southern part of Ilyamna Lake in a small,



After the hunt: (left to right) In Bong Lee, Hyun Jin Nim and Jinhyo Kwak with the moose

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single-propeller, four-seater Cessna. To our dismay, however, we were informed by the pilot just minutes before our flight that we would have to leave behind a significant amount of weight and volume from our supplies. We madly scrambled through the ten days' worth of food and gear to reduce its volume, and to stuff as much as possible in the boxes. After the initial chaos was over and everyone had reached the base camp by the beach, what had originally been eleven boxes was reduced to only three. Furthermore, we realized that one of the boxes with smaller pieces of equipment on top was filled with chocolates and candies underneath.

After such a rough start, Hyun Jin Nim and the three of us headed inland and from early the next morning began the extremely challenging process of hunting for the trophy moose the local hunters had told us about. And for the next seven days, we would leave the camp as early as 3:00 a.m. and return to base as late as 2:30 a.m.

One of the reasons this hunt was very tough was the terrain. The area was filled with patches of marsh, lakes, hills and valleys of soft mossy ground, and heavily wooded brush. And because there were no tall mountains to give us a high-elevation vantage point to scan and shoot, it was necessary to constantly walk around in search of the moose. It was typical for us to walk 10 to 15 miles a day in that rough terrain with equipment on our back. A moose also has keen hearing and sense of smell, and sharp vision, and is very adept at hiding itself in the thick brush.

Despite every day's ceaseless effort, each day's hard hunt resulted in futility, as we could not even sight a single bull moose. Various techniques such as bull- and cow-calls as well as hiding out in a covered area also did not seem to work. It was even more physically challenging because of our extremely short food supply, not to mention hordes of mosquitoes and blood-sucking gnats, and being constantly soaked because of the marshy terrain. We could only afford to have a packet of oatmeal in the mornings, chocolates and beef-jerky for lunch, and some canned food for dinner.

As our food supply dwindled to only bread and some butter, and as the last day of the moose season drew near, Hyun Jin Nim seemed very disappointed—and the three of us had almost concluded that there was probably no moose in the area and that we

should just end the seemingly fruitless effort. Yet, Hyun Jin Nim told us that he was not about to quit and he would stay to find that trophy moose even by himself.

When the pilot arrived to pick us up the next day, which was the last day of the moose hunting season, Hyun Jin Nim told him to fly back in the following day so that he could hunt until the day was over. We set out for one final attempt at finding the moose at 4:30 in the afternoon. We had only about three hours to find and shoot the moose before sunset.

Having walked for about 45 minutes, Hyun Jin Nim told In Bong and myself to wait while he and Ian searched for the moose. We sat and waited for about two hours. As it was beginning to get dark, we began to wonder why they were not coming back. Then at that moment, we heard

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the first gun shot. There followed a second, a third, and a final shot. Not knowing what to make of those shots we waited a long 30 minutes for any news. Then to our elation, we heard Hyun Jin Nim calling from a distance. We ran toward his voice and there was Hyun Jin Nim, very excited and exhilarated, who told us that he had finally shot a very big bull moose.

When we ran to the site, we saw a huge, dark animal with enormous antlers such as I had only seen in post cards. Hyun Jin Nim and the three of us were extremely happy and grateful. Hyun Jin Nim patted the moose, thanking him and Heavenly Father. It was quickly getting dark and we began to take all the edible meat from the moose as required by regulation, which totals over 800 pounds from a 1,300 pound animal. By midnight, we had filled our back-racks with 100 to 150 pounds of meat. And we began the most difficult phase of the moose hunt—carrying those enormous loads back to our camp, miles away.

With such a load on our back, it was impossible to stand up on our own. One person had to take off his back-rack and help another person up, and that person would help the other people stand up. The top heavy load also

made it difficult to balance oneself. In such rough terrain and in pitch dark with only one small flashlight, taking even one step was a grueling challenge. We had also practically run out of food that day. Yet, we took one step at a time toward the base, sometimes tripping or falling on our back. We were sweating buckets and our arms were becoming numb due to the heavy pressure on the shoulders. But every time it almost became unbearable to take any more steps, Hyun Jin Nim strongly encouraged us, "Don't think about the pain. Forget the pain and concentrate on moving your legs forward."

By the time we arrived at the base it was 2:30 in the morning. After some rest we had to make two more such trips to bring back the rest of the meat, and the moose rack [antlers]. When the plane landed on the lake at about 6:00 in the evening, we had just finished the final trip and had begun packing our gear to go back.

We left Ilyamna and arrived at Anchorage the next day. We learned that True Parents were also coming to Anchorage and were expecting Hyun Jin Nim's return. Many Alaska members gathered at the airport together with Hyun Jin Nim for their arrival. When True Parents got off the plane, they were extremely happy to see Hyun Jin Nim had returned safely and especially with a huge trophy bull moose. Soon they had to fly back to New York and Hyun Jin Nim's group headed back to Kodiak for the rest of the training.

Despite the tremendously challenging and difficult nature of this experience, I was truly grateful to Heavenly Father for protecting everyone on the trip and especially for having provided us with the biggest bull moose in the area. Hyun Jin Nim mentioned that such blessing could only come about because of the perseverance and unyielding effort. Heavenly Father was, in a way, testing to see whether the futility of the first six days' efforts would cause us to give up and not see it through until the final moment. Although the three of us were ready to give up, I believe Hyun Jin Nim's perseverance allowed God to finally bless us greatly in the final hour of the final day of the season. ■■■

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ON PRAYER AND THE SPIRIT WORLD

REVEREND SUN MYUNG MOON

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PART III

[Editor's note: As there has recently been great emphasis on the spirit world and our relationship with that realm, these historic words of Father's are especially relevant today. They were originally recorded at Father's meetings with members and guests at church centers throughout the United States in March and April of 1965]

I have some question about my capability in performing my mission. If I am to receive spiritual support, this will help a great deal.

If you have determination, the power will follow. When Moses saw his people suffering in Egypt, he felt indignant. Out of strong patriotism and love for his people, he killed one of the Egyptians. We do not condone murder, but by this act Moses demonstrated his determination to help the chosen people of God. Because of that determination, God called him. So your determination is required first. Then power will be given.

The call of God comes suddenly. God may have prepared for a long time, but it appears to the recipient that the call is very sudden. Noah was called suddenly, Moses was called suddenly and unexpectedly, Mary was called unexpectedly and she conceived Jesus. God's call comes to you unexpectedly, although God may have been preparing you for a long time. Go with faith! When you do your utmost, God is responsible to help you. I have been dedicating and committing myself to this cause from my adolescence. I have suffered so much, but I am only happy because I am so sure. I was raised in a middle-class farmer's house and had a good education. I am a capable person. Why should I give up all things to choose this way of suffering, rejection and persecution? Because I am so sure! There is no shadow of doubt. I am now determined and ready to face the opposition and persecution of the whole world. Judging from my experience, this is worth doing for a man.

We never know the providence behind our lives. There is no accidental event. We were strangers, but we met and feel now so close to one another.

Live and Feel the Divine Principle

I would like to advise you who are studying the Principle. I shed so many tears in discovering the Principle, particularly with such historical figures as Adam, Cain, Abel, Noah, Abraham, Jacob, Moses, Jesus, and so on. In finding those events and the persons who played roles in the fulfillment of God's dispensation and failed, in finding the history of the providence of God's restoration, I shed so many tears. I not only understood the Principle, but lived it. When I came to the fall of Adam and Eve, I felt as if it were my own business. I felt the sorrow of God to see Adam's fall. I felt Adam's sorrow in himself. It was not Adam's story, but mine. I felt the story of Cain and Abel as my own. Through their mistake, God felt so much sorrow, and I felt the same. I felt the same with Noah,

Abraham, Jacob, Moses, Jesus. In each event, I put myself in the position of those involved and felt with them, and with God, all throughout history. It is not someone else's history, but my own life.

The history of restoration is a chain of sacrificial altars erected by God's servants. You must build an altar of sacrifice, an altar of tears. Many servants of God, patriarchs and prophets, sacrificed their lives to fulfill God's will in their own field. They prayed so much and shed so many tears, that you could say they built an altar of tears. The history of God's providence of restoration is, after all, the chain of such altars: Whenever His servants erected such an altar with their tears, God's tears were shed with theirs. They were His representatives, so their sacrifice was the Father's sacrifice, their tears were His tears. We say that our Father suffered for 6,000 years because His servants suffered all throughout history.

I want you not only to study the Principle, but to live it and feel it, then you will shed tears for each event, and feel with those involved. Make it your own. Take upon yourself the responsibility. When I read the account of Moses, I feel as if I bear the whole responsibility of Moses. When I read about Jesus, I feel as if I were in Jesus' place. I want you to place yourself in their positions and make the history of restoration your own.

God is your Father. Why is His business not your business? Why is His suffering not your suffering? Why is His work not your work? Do not expect God to comfort you. You must comfort Him! Our Father is most miserable. When I was imprisoned under the Communist regime, I purposely avoided praying because when I prayed I could feel the tears and sorrow of God. Instead, I sang to please and comfort God so that He would not feel more sorrow for me. You must be dutiful children to God and comfort Him. The restoration of the United States is God's work, therefore, it is your work. The restoration of the whole world is your work, because it is your Father's work. Should you not be busy? He is busy! When do you have time to do anything besides your Father's business?

When you speak of identifying with the prophets and patriarchs of history, do you mean some kind of deep meditation or self-hypnosis?

As you read, as you witness, as you teach, put yourselves into their positions and think, for instance, "If I were Moses, how difficult would it be to lead 600,000 people into the wilderness? They constantly complain, they are so stubborn and disobedient. How would I feel with this difficult task ahead of me?" In that way, you put yourself in the place of those men of history.

I have paid so much indemnity, and the people of the world receive the benefit from this suffering and merit. Even though I

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EAST GARDEN CELEBRATIONS



(Left) Father and Mother sing at the birthday celebration for Hyung Jin Nim, Shin Joong Nim and Shin Ji Nim, September 20

(Center left) True Family celebrate together (left to right: Jun Sook Nim, Hyun Jin Nim, Father, Shin Joong Nim, Hyung Jin Nim, Shin Ji Nim, Mother, Jin Hun Nim, Yun Ah Nim)



(Above) Father speaks at a special meeting for members before departing for Brazil, September 21

(Left) Members applaud and cheer Father as he concludes his speech

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FROM KODIAK TO JARDIM: LINKING NORTH & SOUTH

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Father and Mother pray for the participants of the International Ocean Challenge workshop

PHOTO: KEN OWENS/NFP



Father guides workshop participants in Kodiak



Banner announcing the opening of the bridge at the New Hope Farm (now New Hope East Garden)

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Father sanctifies the new bridge with holy salt

Father and Mother fishing on the Paraguay River near Porto Murtinho



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Dr. Sang Hun Lee

New Revelations about Life in the Spirit World

Part VI

[Editor's note: This is the sixth installment in a series of revelations received from Dr. Sang Hun Lee who passed into the spirit world on March 22, 1997. Dr. Lee pioneered the systematization of Unification Thought and Victory Over Communism (VOC) theory as an application of Father's thought. He served as president of the Unification Thought Institute for many years. He and his wife participated in the 36 Couples Blessing in 1961. They have three children. Dr. Lee was 84 years old when he ascended to the spiritual world. These messages were received from Dr. Lee through Mrs. Young Soon Kim.]

Hideki Tojo

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Tojo was the Japanese militarist war minister, and later prime minister, who advocated and led Japan's policy of total warfare in the Pacific in the early 1940s.

Most people in Japan share a national trait whereby they tend to rely on a god in all things. Most households follow one form of faith or another. This person Tojo, though, insisted throughout his life that the god of his own self was superior to all others. His incredible pomposity, arrogance and sense of superiority were far greater than any belief he might have had in a divine being. Simply put, his idea was: "There is no God—He is dead. So, follow me, instead."

It was only natural, then, that I would be curious to find out about this person's position and life in the spirit world. At first, I was not able to meet him. Later, I began to look for him at the direction of True Parents. The thoughts and curiosity of True Parents became my motivation to seek him out.

I had to go into a place where there were no mountains or rivers. As I began to search this area, I could not help but wonder whether it was possible for anyone to live there. Then, in one particular place, I began to hear a strange sound, as if someone was moaning in agony. It sounded like he was in a great deal of pain. The sound was coming from a structure that could hardly be called a

house. It was more like something that the nomadic peoples in tropical areas of the earth build and then tear down when they eventually move on. I looked more closely, and I began to see signs of human life in this structure. There were a few other structures similar to this one scattered about the area.

I opened the door, which was little more than a piece of tree bark. Inside, I discovered that a few men were using this place to live. One of them was ill. I asked the others whether the man had a headache, but they said they didn't know. I said a prayer for them. Then, I placed my hand on the one that was sick, and began to pray for him to be healed.

"I pray in the name of the one who has come as the messenger of God. Let the pain that this man suffers subside," I said. He immediately stopped his moaning and sat up. Then, he asked me, "Who are you that you are able to save me from my suffering?" I asked him to identify himself to me first. He bowed his head, and told me that because I had relieved him of his pain he would consider me to be his teacher, and his god. For this reason, he said, he would tell me what I wanted to know. "My name is Tojo. While I was on earth, I denied

was to give him salvation. As soon as I said that, his body began to tremble. He bowed over and over again and thanked me profusely.

I said to him, "The reason I started looking for you was that the Reverend Sun Myung Moon, who is the True Parent living on earth, told me to come see how you are living here and then convey this information to the people on earth. I received God's permission and came here as quickly as I could."

Tojo said, "The True Parent is your parent, so how is it that he wanted to find me? For what reason did he want to find me?"

I continued to explain to him about True Parents. I told him that the True Parent is not only my physical father but also the messiah at the Second Advent who comes as the father of all people. Tojo wanted to know whether, if the True Parent was the father of all humanity, then could he also be the father a someone like him, Tojo. This was the chance I had been waiting for. I told him, "Yes, that's right. If you just hear the ideas of the Messiah and believe, then you, too, can be his child." He immediately began saying "Thank you, Thank you, Thank you very much" over and over. I asked if he wanted to hear my lecture, and he

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the existence of God. Instead, I claimed that I myself was a god. But when my physical body expired and I came to this place, I discovered that there was no place for me. I tried living in the jungle. I tried going under water. I went many places, but I couldn't find anyone who would be glad to see me. I finally settled here on this barren plain. People are so scarce here that even if I cry out in pain no one knows. Sir, you are my god. Please save me." I told him that I was errand-boy sent by God. I also told him that my purpose for coming that day

said that he would be glad to hear anything that I had to say, because I was the person who had saved him. So, I said I would give him a small lecture right there. I took the content that is normally given over three days and poured it out to him all at once. First, I lectured the content of The Messiah: His Advent and the Purpose of His Second Coming and I explained to him the reality of God's existence. Then I poured out the contents of Unification Thought and Victory Over Communism Thought. He seemed totally captivated by the words. Then, he

began to cry. "I, Tojo, deserve to be punished in front of all the people of the world, because I was so arrogant as to put myself in the place of my God." He confessed that he was a sinner among sinners, and asked me to tell him what to do. He asked me to save him. I told him: "Sometime in the future, the Messiah will also come to this world. Until then, let's work together to spread his words." He looked very surprised by this, and said, "If we do that, I will only bring you harm. If you work with me, then you will be attacked, too." He asked if there was any other way that he could be saved. I told him, This is the only way, so let's wait for the Messiah with a heart of atonement. I asked him to pray, offer expressions of his devotion and assist me in my work. After that, I returned.

KOREAN CHRISTIAN LEADERS

Hwal-lan Kim

Prominent in the Christian community of the early 1950s, Mrs. Kim was president of Ewha Women's University when student members of the Unification Church were expelled and professors dismissed.

Hwal-lan Kim was a very famous woman on earth, who took pride in the fact that she had graduated from the most prestigious academic institutions. She led a life of faith based on certain strong convictions about God, and many people looked up to her as a member of the elite. The question, though, is whether a member of the highest elite on earth can also receive an elite position in the spiritual world.

I visited a club of Christians one day not long after I came to the spiritual world. The people there were waiting earnestly for the Lord to come on the clouds so much so that they had created an effigy of the Lord and hung it from a cloud. They were praying and expressing their longing for the Lord. I also saw a painting of Jesus there, but Jesus himself was not in the club. There are many such clubs formed by Christians gathering together among themselves.

I visited the clubs, because I was searching for a specific person. Even more than the pain that she had caused the members of our 36 Blessed Couples, I was curious to know the outcome of her erroneous judgements about God. One day, I found her. I came across a woman in a rather unusual club of Christians consisting of members of the upper class. The woman was preaching very energetically, and I went in and listened to what she had to say.

She was saying basically that, since the Lord who is to return had not yet come, it was the responsibility of women to hold candlelight vigils and pray until the day of his coming. We should not be derelict in expressing the devotion of the bride as she waits for her bridegroom, she said. She called on her listeners to join together in prayer until the day of the Lord's return.

I, Sang Hun Lee, stood in the back of the crowd and clapped very loudly. I did so, because I wanted her to notice me so that I might have a chance to meet her. Instead, though, I found that the entire crowd turned around to look at me. Hwal-lan Kim suddenly appeared directly in front of me, and greeted me very politely. I introduced myself as a messenger from God. She said, "You look like a respectable person, but why do you joke with us? A messenger from God?" Many people were focusing their attention on me. I continued to lead the conversation in a direction to where I would be able to declare the coming of the Messiah. "Madam Kim," I said, "the Messiah already returned a long time ago. Your education of brides here is mistaken. I'm sure Jesus knows this, too. The Lord has come. He came a long time ago, and he is working hard for the building of the Kingdom of Heaven, for the establishment of world peace and for the salvation of humanity." She responded: "That's what the heretics say." Then, I continued in a very earnest tone, "Will you listen to me while I talk a little about what the heretics say? If you can show me that what I say is mistaken, then I will be glad to study under you."

Most of the people in the crowd were women, and they agreed that they wanted to hear what I had to say. I knew this was my chance. I explained about The Messiah: His Advent and the Purpose of His Second Coming. I used a detailed historical chart to talk about the parallel providential periods for the coming of the Messiah, and compared it to the present age so that they could understand for themselves that this was the time for his return. I also talked about the issue of Jesus' crucifixion, and how the Lord at the Second Advent would have to carry on the work that Jesus had begun. Then, I put a question to the crowd at large, and particularly to Hwal-lan Kim. "Am I a fraudulent messenger? Is the content that I have introduced here in error? Doesn't it agree with the general principle? There are many areas of detail. If you like, I can talk about those at another time." Hwal-lan Kim raised her hand to ask a ques-

tion. "Why did you come here? Whom did you come to see?" I told her that I had come to meet Hwal-lan Kim. Then, I began to talk about True Parents.

I asked her whether she remembered the name, Sun Myung Moon. She said she did not. I asked her again, but again she said she recalled no one by that name. In that case, I said, "Do you remember hearing about the Unification Church?" She thought for a while, and said that indeed she did recall hearing something about that. I said: "Do you know who is the founder of the Unification Church?" Finally, then, she was able to remember Reverend Moon's name.

"The gentleman who founded the Unification Church is the one who is the Lord at the Second Advent and the True Parents. He is now shedding his blood and sweat on earth for the sake of human salvation." Hwal-lan Kim's face turned as red as a beet. "Then, I am a terrible sinner," she said. "Have you come to take me away as a criminal?" I told her it was not for me to determine whether the term criminal applied to her. This is something that only God and Madam Kim herself could judge. The other members of the crowd were very curious. Madam Kim and I were talking about the coming of the Lord at the Second Advent, but they had no way of knowing who we were talking about. Hwal-lan Kim suggested that the two of us meet later in private. I told her then that I would end my lecture for the day. I offered to return the next day, if she wanted, to lecture the Divine Principle. Hwal-lan Kim seemed very dissatisfied with this. She said her group would have a meeting and decide what would be a good time for me to come. One woman in the group, though, raised her hand and said: "I want to hear what you have to say. Let's listen to him." Others then joined in with her in a chorus of, "Let's listen to him. Let's listen to him." I lectured here for three days. Everyone wept and prayed and sang hymns. We began singing *When the Bridegroom Comes*, which is hymn number 162 in the Korean Christian hymnal and has the refrain "Prepare, Prepare." It made quite a ruckus. Many members on earth, especially those who were forced to terminate their studies at Ewha Women's University, are interested to know what has become of Hwal-lan Kim. Hwal-lan Kim kept beating her breast with her fists and shouting, "Lord, Lord, what should be done with this sinner? Lord, Lord, please save me,

as I am a sinner." Later, Hwal-lan Kim met with me, and sincerely apologized for what she had done on earth. She asked me what she should do for the sake of those who had suffered as a result of her actions. I told her that she should work for the sake of the coming Lord. She should take full charge of the task to go to all women Christians and bear witness that Reverend Sun Myung Moon is the Lord who has come on earth, that he is the True Parents and the Savior, the parents of all humanity. She smiled and said she would do this work to the best of her ability with a heart of atonement. It made me happy to have overcome these people, but I also felt a certain bitterness to think of how they once left a terrible mark on our providential history.

Question: How is it that a person who opposed our will so vehemently is able to live in such tranquility?

Answer: A person who was recognized on earth as an intellectual of the highest order and who served God and made many great efforts during her life is now consigned to a lower realm of the spiritual world where Jesus does not live. Is it accurate, then, to describe this person's position as tranquil?

The Family of Maria Park

Vice president of Ewha University, Maria Park was instrumental in the decision to oust Unification Church members from the university in 1955.

God, who rules over all things created, spoke as follows: "Sang Hun, it may seem to you that people live according to their own wills, but it is only when the direction of their will is consistent with that of God's will that they can be said to be following a true path." I was curious to know why God had spoken

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these words to me, and I waited for Him to explain. Then, one day, God told me: "There is a particular place where you must visit today". He then sent a woman of small stature to where I was and told me to go with her. The woman was a messenger of God. Because we were going on God's command, I was especially curious to know where it was

that we were going.

The woman told me that the place where God had told me to go and see was not a pleasant place. After we had traveled a certain distance, the woman told me to stop and wait. She called a man to where we were, and invited him to accompany us on our journey. I felt strange in my heart, but I continued to follow along.

Where is this? I could see a large gate that looked similar to the prison gates on earth. It was very high and tightly closed. But then, what is this? After waiting for a long time, the man who had traveled with us said something, and the gate suddenly opened wide. We went in. I could hardly believe what I saw there. The people were all people, but they didn't have the form of normal humans. There were crying people, fighting people, people who have been struck with a sword, people with crooked eyes, people biting on a stick, people with their hands behind their backs, people with their feet sticking up in the air, people with blood pouring from their bellies, people with blood flowing from their ears, people with malformed hands, feet and ears. The place was filled with people whose appearances are difficult to describe with words. As they moved along, each person kept repeating his or her particular motion, so the group had the appearance of a colony of people suffering from physical disabilities. This was really strange. I was curious to know why God had sent me to such a place. As I stood there feeling pain in my heart over what I was witnessing, the woman who had come with me called to me and motioned for me to look in a certain direction. There she is, she said. The person that God wanted you to see is over there. I looked in the direction she pointed, and saw a woman who was holding her lips with her hand. Her

hand was stuck to her lips and wouldn't come off. She would try to eat something, but the hand got in the way, and so she would spill more food than she would manage to get into her mouth. I stood in front of the woman and said, "You're Maria Park, aren't you?" She nodded her head to tell me I was correct. There were many things I wanted

to ask her. But there was no way to do so, because she couldn't open her mouth. I myself was surprised to hear the words, Father, what is to be done with this person? echoing in my heart.

Then, suddenly, the woman began leading me to another place. She pointed out a man who turned out to be Lee Ki-boong. We looked at each other, and I could hardly believe what I saw. Lee Ki-boong had blood pouring from his chest. We were close enough that we could recognize each other. After that, I began looking around on my own. I wanted to find the son of Lee Ki-boong. I wanted to find Lee Kang-suk. How was it possible that an entire family had ended up in such a place? I found the son. He was in a permanent pose of standing behind his father with a knife in his raised hand. The woman looked at me and suggested we return to God. I offered a prayer to God in this place. "God, please save these people. Please liberate these people before True Parents come here and see them in their present form." No one, though, responded to my prayer. As I traveled back through the large gate, I was thinking: What is to be done about this gruesome sight? How am I to show this to True Parents? I called out to God, and He responded: "Sang Hun, is there pain in your heart?" I just began to cry before God. God told me: "Sang Hun, it's not something for you to cry about. I wanted you to see this, because it's something for which you have to bear responsibility. You must tell my children to live good lives. For the people in that place, the path of salvation will not be easy. Tell my children to live good lives on earth before they come here. Do you understand my meaning? Sang Hun, I'm asking you." Then, God was silent.

Park Tae-sun

The leader of a powerful Christian movement in the fifties and sixties, Elder Park was in a John-the-Baptist position to Father, yet could not live up to that calling.

When Elder Park was on earth, he was venerated so highly that his authority seemed to rival that of a god. Next, I would like to describe this person's appearance and life in the spiritual world. I found Elder Park living in a community of regular Christians. The standard of these Christians, though, was not that of faithful people who had lived in attendance of the Lord. Instead, their standard was that of people who had put only a little effort into their faith. So, for example, when they sang

hymns or prayed they didn't know the words very well. They were novice believers. Elder Park was among them. I have never conversed with this person. The reason I have not been in a hurry to speak with him is that it is obvious that he is purposely hiding himself in an area that is not appropriate to his position. From what I've seen, I can tell that his faith was based on an arrogant heart, and that he became intoxicated in his mission. In this world, he is living in a place that is considerably distant from God. He still does not understand his position. He lives among novice believers and still holds on to his past domain. I will let some more time pass before meeting him. Next is the life of regular Christian ministers. In the Christian realm that I have seen, I have not come across anything remarkable with regard to ministers. I have not found a situation where a minister who was specially revered on earth has been given a special position here. What I have noticed is that even if a person is given the position of minister on earth, here he may not have that position. I have not yet seen the ministers who opposed us. In hell, or in the place that is called heaven, there is no sign indicating where the ministers are, so I have not been able to find them. This is something that I am planning to do in the future.

KOREA'S POLITICAL LEADERS

Syngman Rhee

First president (1948-60) of the Republic of Korea following the division of the peninsula at the end of World War II, and a strong anti-Communist, Syngman Rhee was ultimately forced from power for alleged election rigging.

I was curious to find out about how people who had been president of a country were living in the spiritual world. Here, a person doesn't receive a large residence just because he was president of his country, so it's difficult to find these people unless you really look for them. I decided to use an unusual method in order to find President Syngman Rhee. As I meditated, I prayed: God, please lead my heart to wherever President Rhee lives. At a particular spot, I began to hear very beautiful singing. It caught my attention to the extent that I started heading in the direction of the sound. After a while, the singing stopped. I stood for a while, wondering how to continue my search, and I finally decided to just try on my own. The place was surrounded on four

sides by mountains, though, and this made it difficult to see where things were. I decided to put my trust in the general direction that I had followed in order to arrive at this place, and began looking around that area. Once in a while, people would come and go from the woods. I wasn't sure whom I should

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ask, and so I just kept searching the area. Soon, I noticed a man sitting at a bend in the road, apparently in deep thought. I went to him to get a good look at him, but he wasn't Syngman Rhee. I asked him whether he had ever heard of someone named President Syngman Rhee nearby. He answered me in a way that I thought odd. He said: "I don't know if he's a president or what, but someone lives in that house across the road there". I went to the house, thinking there was a chance I might find President Rhee there. The house was a little bit better than most homes. Oddly, though, it was very quiet, and I didn't see any signs that someone lived there. Inside, there was no sign of anyone. I was looking around inside the house, when finally I heard someone make a noise. It turned out to be President Syngman Rhee. I was very surprised to see how he was dressed. His clothes were very shabby. His appearance was scruffy, and he had no one with him.

I quickly greeted him: "You must be President Syngman Rhee. My name is Sang Hun Lee." He wanted to know how I had known where to find him. I told him that God had sent me, and he asked me if I had ever met God.

I said, "Yes, I met Him." "Why, then, has such a great person come here?" he asked.

I asked him why it was that a former president was living such a lonely life in this place. He said he didn't know the reason himself. He told me that he had a large house in another place nearby, but he lived here because he was more comfortable. He told me that since he couldn't be treated the way he wanted, he felt more comfortable living in a place where he didn't have to meet anyone.

"Well, yes," I said, "but this is a place where neither God nor Jesus are present. Do you have to live here?" He replied, "God and Jesus have forsaken me." But he also said that he wanted to meet God and Jesus. When this man who was

responsible for a nation failed to fulfill his responsibility, he heard his own people demand that he give up his office and was thrown out of office. Seen from the perspective of eternal life, Syngman Rhee's life is nothing more than the result of his failure to fulfill his responsibility, either during his tenure as presi-

dent or during his life as a human being. I have not done so yet, but someday I plan to invite him, too, to my home and talk to him about True Parents.

All the people who now live far below the stations that they enjoyed in the physical world are people who were traitors to the providence, and I think that the place where they exist now is none other than hell.

LETTERS

From Choong-mo Nim to True Parents

Father, this is your mother. Father, how many difficulties you must have faced over the years? As a result of my inadequacies, you were not able to go a smooth course, and you are left with no choice but to live a life where there is no difference between night and day. Father, it always hurts me to know that you have had to suffer, because you lacked the foundation of your mother's devotion.

Father! Together with Daemo-nim, I am learning many things and teaching many things. Whenever you think it necessary, I am willing to assist. Am I being too arrogant? Is it still too early?

Father! I will become a loyal mother, or *Choong-mo*, according to the title you have given me. And, Father, the image of me wearing a towel over my head is very unattractive, isn't it? It causes you shame, doesn't it? I have asked this lady to remove the towel, because I'm afraid that image will cause you embarrassment.

Father! Please wait and see. I truly will become a loyal mother. Father, Mother, I pray and pray again for your long life and good health. As she writes this letter, she is crying again. Whenever she appears, she is crying.

From Young Soon Kim to True Parents

I present this letter to Father.

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The Significance of Ideal Family Education

FROM REV. JOONG HYUN PAK'S GUIDANCE TO NEW YORK LEADERS

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At one of our recent weekly regional meetings, Reverend Joong Hyun Pak, North American Continental Director, began by noting that it



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is most important to be aware of God and True Parents' plan as it relates to our own lives. The mainstream direction is always given through the church headquarters. We are unwise if we are predisposed against it, for it is not a burden. Guidance from God always seems difficult at the start. Further, our selfish nature tends to be against it, because God always addresses us at our weakest points. This is because it is exactly our weak point that we have to improve in order to become people of true love.

True Parents' plan in fact is guidance for the way to prepare for spirit world by having a successful life on earth. On earth we can grow spiritually by leaps and bounds; after ascending to the spirit world, growth is extremely difficult. We can consider Father's plan to be like the curriculum of a school. No matter our personality or nature, we should stay in the school, and we should respect and honor those who have worked through the school longer than we have.

A school has a step-by-step course

leading to the fulfillment of the goal. The facility at New Hope East Garden, in Jardim, is meant to be the school of true love. That is why we go there as families, for it is in the family that we learn "and teach" true love. True Parents' desire is to establish the school of true love on the earth. Because we are in the family "school" our entire lives, our graduation from the school occurs when we enter the spirit world.

Blessing '98 at Madison Square Garden was the liberation of heaven and earth. Saints and sinners received the blessing side by side. After that was done, Father could

establish the Institute for Ideal Family Education for World Peace in Jardim, at New Hope Farm, which is now called New Hope East Garden.

What is the meaning of the new millennium? It means the introduction into this world of new values and principles and a new lifestyle. This is a fulfillment of the righteous way of life pioneered in the world's religions and great ethical systems, but not yet united and perfected.

These values, principles and lifestyle center on the love of True Parents. By participating in what they are offering, we begin the new millennium with a fresh spirit and approach to this world, one which will surpass the decay and conflicts of the fallen world, and one which is entirely natural. From the viewpoint of God's original will, this is the world based upon true love in true families, the kingdom of God on earth.

Reverend Pak explained that Father's premier sites for internal education are the Chung Pyung training center and Jardim (New Hope East Garden). The purpose of the Chung Pyung training is to cleanse sins, like cleaning a dirty bot-

tle. The purpose of New Hope East Garden is to fill the bottle with new wine.

Thus, the teacher at Chung Pyung is Daemo-nim, and the teachers at New Hope East Garden are True Parents themselves. We learn at New Hope East Garden by imitating the model of True Parents. Everyone can and should attend at Chung Pyung, but New Hope East Garden is only for blessed couples. Chung Pyung brings us to the top of the growth stage, and New Hope East Garden is training for the completion stage, leading us to reach the direct dominion of God's heart. When we are one with God's heart, then we do not need a school. Husband and wife can learn from each other and God directly.

Father is also bringing all the national messiahs to the Pantanal for 40-day workshops. New Hope East Garden is education in the first and second blessings, the blessings of the perfection of individuality and the perfection of the love of family, society, nation and world. The Pantanal is centering on direct relationship with God and the creation. Thus, it is education in the third blessing.

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New Hope East Garden, the New Garden of Eden

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I cannot thank God enough for helping me afford the recent opportunity to visit New Hope East Garden in Jardim, Brazil—or rather to return home, since I was born and raised in a small city only 500 kilometers further south. I came to this area this past August in order to take part in the first American 40-day workshop in New Hope East Garden. "New Hope East Garden" is, of course, the legal entity comprising what was formally known simply as New Hope Farm, but it has grown so large, with innumerable educational and business sub-entities, that the word farm became misleading.

This corporation now includes, or will soon include, a secondary school, a university, a hospital, an educational center, a hotel, a research institute, many scenic properties, businesses such as agriculture, ostrich farming, fish and escargot farming, ecotourism, and engineering, construction, fiberglass and machinery firms. And this is only the tip of the proverbial iceberg in terms of developmental plans.

The first thing I noticed in my travels to Jardim is that Father is known in this state of Mato Grosso do Sul simply as 'O Reverendo' (the Reverend). As we travelled from Campo Grande to Jardim by bus I felt the need to speak about Father and the principle. I stood up in the bus and began reading the *Today's World* and made sure people could see our Father's picture. Well, I noticed a great deal of interest from my new friends: "Do you work with O Reverendo?" I was asked. Good question, I thought! And the whole trip I was able to speak about our Father's vision and doctrine. I can not imagine a better way to travel to the farm.

There is certainly a great deal of interest in our Father in this state. To the citizens in this underdeveloped region, Father represents hope as they eagerly look to him to usher in a new era of prosperity.

After several hours in the bus and a short drive to the Farm (at the end of 48 hours in airports and planes due to some "technical" difficulties), I finally crossed the recently inaugurated bridge which takes us to the main educational center. Just two years ago, the route to the farm involved fifty minutes over a very rough and sometimes impossible to travel dirt road, and one would arrive at a tent and bamboo settlement. Now one travels via an asphalt highway, and the tent and bamboo settlement is a brightly-lit village of beautiful buildings, including a large meeting hall, a two-story restaurant, and enough individual rooms with private baths to accommodate 1,000 people. The top of the restaurant also serves as a conference center, and it was in the southeast wing of this conference center that the American 40-day workshop was being held.

This is the place where heaven is to begin. To top it all, the great breeze makes you feel like God is saying, "Welcome, I am here! You are at My home!" I immediately joined the workshop and was able to attend Father's speech—one

of many he gave at this first workshop.

The meeting room which can accommodate 1,200 people and has a large stage and high ceiling, was fully decorated with the bright faces of our Japanese brothers and sisters—over 300 families—and the 300 Korean families likewise bring a great deal of spirit and dignity to the floor. The small American contingent—11 families—sat in the back where we could receive interpretation.

Father's message that first night was about our commitment during these times: absolute love, absolute faith and absolute obedience.

Certainly not a new message but one that had a whole new impact when heard here in this developing model village, set up in a floral and faunal paradise. With Father looking at us, we can sense the intensity of his heart. The heart of a father wanting his children to become a unique reflection of divinity, and of a father wanting to be loved and understood. I wish I could whisper into Father's ears a word of love. But he has heard so many false words over the years that the thought causes pained reflections.

During the time I was there, Father addressed the members many times. Every morning, True Parents would gather with all the members for pledge, prayer and Hoon Dok Hae. Late at night True Father would once again share with the members. At times, we were laughing with joy, at another moment we could hear the whisper of the wind and the gasp of our brothers and sisters as our Father addressed them in Japanese, quietly. Even without understanding the language, we were caught up in the moment, just watching our Japanese brothers and sisters weeping as Father spoke in hushed, tearful tones.

The giant faith of the Japanese is moving beyond words. Under the leadership of Mr. Hideo Oyamada, the Eve National Messiah of Brazil, the Japanese members live a life of service at New Hope East Garden reflecting their service to True Parents throughout the world—a service of great sacrifice. History will record that these faithful brothers and especially sisters carried our movement during times when we could not imagine going down such a thorny path.

The schedule at this 40-day workshop did not have the intensity one finds at the Chung Pyung workshops. Here the premium is placed on personal and family reflection, and experiencing the Principle and Father's words in a

paradise-like setting. Surrounded by beautiful trees, macaws and coatis, in an environment where chirping insects and croaking frogs replace traffic noise, and walks on dirt roads replace traffic congestion, the Principle seems to come alive. Many participants, and especially my husband, have commented on how many intense insights one can get from studying Principle and Father's words in such an environment. The laws of the universe, the meaning of unconditional love and richness of interpersonal relationships, and the basic principles of creation, all become so much more clear. Father has stated that one must leave the cities in order to better understand the Principle. That becomes much more clear here. The schedule also includes tours to other properties owned in the area, including the Salobra Hotel in the Pantanal area, the Fuerte Olimpo workshop area on the Paraguay River, and the Rio Perdido, which is a beautiful, clear river with shoals in which beautiful fish are visible.

Individually, the families walk to the ostrich farm, or take a tour to the escargot farm nearby. This workshop is for couples and families—not individuals. Many individuals without their spouse were quite distressed when realizing the fullness of the blessing available was reserved for families. Indeed, as we know, it is couples and families that will enter the Kingdom of Heaven together, not individuals, and thus the registration for the Kingdom of Heaven requires a family or couple registering together.

All the sounds of love can be heard at this educational center of New Hope East Garden. The squawks of the paired macaws, the chirps of crickets, the low bellows of the wild rheas on the property, the occasional chattering of monkeys, the calls of the parrots, and the croaks of innumerable frogs pierce the air. But the most beautiful sounds were those of the words of harmony among our brothers and sisters gathered from the far corners of the world, engaged in constructing a literal Garden of Eden on the earth.■

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Lourdes A. Swarts and her husband Rick are the Abel-nation National Messiah couple to the Dominican Republic. They participated in the 2075 Couples Blessing in 1982 and have four children.

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Glorious True Family

a new registration of each tribe. Without this we cannot create a heavenly nation. Seven generations should register as a tribe. We should be able to maintain that connection with True Parents' own lineage all the way down to the seventh generation. Only then can we clearly claim to be able to enter the kingdom.

The condition is being set for the True Father to be proclaimed as king of all the holy, unfallen families in the universe. The 360 Million Couples Blessing means giving the blessing to 720 million adults. If we estimate that there are, say, 3 or 4 children in each family we are talking about more than 3 billion people throughout the world—which is over half the world's population. And if we include their relatives and in-laws, we are reaching the entire human race. Through this condition, the True Family can stand in a position above all families and proclaim the holy family among all the world's families.

As long as human history continues, people will constantly study what I have accomplished through this 360 Million Couples Blessing—and how and why. They will eventually come to know that this was the condition to build the Kingdom of God here on earth, and eventually in heaven. It will be through studying about the 360 Million Couples Blessing that future generations will find the way to eradicate the satanic lineage and enter heaven.

How can we eliminate the basis of the satanic lineage? God never wanted to see this dark reality. True Parents are therefore working to clean up this earth. I understand clearly how this can be done. I am cleaning up the entire world so that no remnant of the fall will remain. There will exist only the state of perfection which was originally to have expanded from the individual to the worldwide level in the Garden of Eden, centering on the true love lineage of True Parents. The lineage of Satan will not exist there.

To eliminate the satanic lineage, I have established three different holy wine ceremonies. When babies receive the holy wine through their mother's womb, we call this the ceremony of rebirth. When children prior to adulthood drink it—or receive it in some other way such as through holy candy—we call that the ceremony of resurrection. And when the holy wine is drunk at the marriage blessing ceremony, then we call it the ceremony of eternal life. At that point, the blood lineage is finally changed and purified.

Since we are not yet in the era of perfection, even when you blessed wives conceive a child you have to drink holy wine for your child to go through the ceremony of rebirth. So there is a difference: people from the fallen world need to participate in three different stages—the ceremonies of rebirth, resurrection and eternal life. However, the children of blessed couples should go through only two—the ceremonies of rebirth and eternal life. Because we are not yet living in a world of perfection, even blessed couples should participate in these two holy wine ceremonies.

Due to the particular significance of this era and the conditions that have been established, we can inherit God's attributes by participating in the Jardim education. We can become absolute parents, unique parents, unchanging parents, eternal parents. It is the same for children and for couples: absolute, unique, unchanging and eternal children, and absolute, unique, unchanging and eternal couples. These same attributes and standard can be settled for the first time in an absolute, unique, unchanging and eternal family. The automatic place of settlement of such a family is the Kingdom of Heaven, both on earth and in the spirit world where it will dwell eternally dedicated to and centered on God and true love. All couples will be connected together on the foundation of that same family standard and will have the same value. It will be a place of no obstacles, to which God can freely come down and dwell. This will be what we call the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. Is this clear? Living in the Kingdom of Heaven on earth will lead automatically to living in the Kingdom of Heaven in the spirit world. Absolute family, unique family, unchanging family, eternal family. God can automatically and freely dwell in such a home. Unless a family achieves such an absolute standard, God cannot be present.

Once a man reaches this point then for the first time he can say, "I am an absolute man, a unique man, an unchanging and eternal man." You have not had this concept. You need to recite this ten times, a thousand times, or a hundred million times in a loud voice: "I am an absolute being, a unique being, an unchanging being, an eternal being—like God. God is my Father. I am connected to His blood lineage. By centering on true love and be practicing true love I can be one body with Him." Do you understand? A person who has become one body with God takes the position to represent Him.

The original human value was lost and we came to a position lower than that of any animal. How miserable is our situation! How did this happen? Through our receiving the illicit blood lineage of Satan. God did not want this.

GOD'S POSITION AFTER THE FALL

In the midst of this fallen reality God's position is one of love. His expectation towards fallen humanity is that they come to have the ability to love an enemy's child more than a child of their own direct lineage. Without taking that kind of action, Satan's side cannot be eradicated from this fallen world. How miserable God's situation has been throughout the course of providential history until now. How much effort God has been investing from the viewpoint of the providence of restoration. Why has he done that? To save you. To see the ideal of one man, one woman. The fall occurred millions of years ago, not 6,000 years ago. God created the universe several billion years ago. Until now, God could not find the original family of His ideal of creation. Therefore, in order to recreate the original ideal family, He sent the Messiah. The Messiah is the True Parent.

The first Adam was lost. Later, Jesus came as the second Adam on the national level foundation of Israel. But Jesus died on the cross and lost everything: the nation, the people



Leadership training in Alaska under True Parents' guidance

and the sovereignty of the king were all lost. With the expansion of the Christian cultural sphere over the following two thousand years, the worldwide foundation for the Second Advent was established. The Lord of the Second Advent's mission is not on the family or national level, but on the worldwide level. Had the Christian world united with him after the Second World War it would have been possible to clean up the world within the 7-year period from 1945 to 1952. Then all humankind could have been blessed at one time. It would have been no problem to give the blessing to the entire existing world population of 3 billion in one day. Instead, however, he was chased out into the wilderness.

All the families of the world could have been given the blessing at once, thus creating one direction according to God's purpose. After I was chased out into the wilderness, however, that hope was lost. Because all the Christian clergy opposed me, the entire foundation that had been prepared worldwide was lost. That is, it was taken over by Satan. This included America, England and France. Communism then took increasing control of the free world. In order to regain that lost foundation, I stood and fought, and turned the situation around. Do you understand?

America stands for "one nation under God." But God's concept is one world under God. How can the American people change their concept to that of one world under God? When we tell the American people that they have to change their concept they reply, "No, we are the world leaders." God does not recognize that kind of position. America has to embrace the concept of one world, one cosmos under God. Otherwise, America cannot continue to lead the world.

One race of people can not be in control forever. There can be no racism if God is at the center. America is a proud culture, proud of its political power. Political power, economic power and military power did not exist in the Garden of Eden. The way in which the free world is going is neither the way of perfection nor the way of settlement. It is headed in the worst possible direction. America is declining: it is perishing and without the power to rise again. Its only hope is Reverend Moon. Do you understand?

If we look at America, are there any real, true couples there? Are there any true children, true grandfathers, or true parents? America does not have that kind of society. Americans are an individualistic people, proud of their individuality. In such a situation the entire cosmos is lost, the world, the nation, the society, the tribe, and the family are lost. In the family there are no grandparents, no parents, no husband and wife, no children—only separate individuals. The American people and nation have lost everything.

360 MILLION COUPLES BLESSING

Can the blessing of 360 million couples be accomplished by human power and ability alone? True Parents have already

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blessed tens of billions of people in the spirit world. Jesus has often come down from the spirit world and given help to his followers. This spiritual assistance was given on the individual level, however, not the family level. Now that True Parents have given the blessing to people in the spirit world, your good ancestors will come down and work with your family, your tribe and your people. This signifies in a way a blanket pardon of humankind. You have been sent out as national level messiahs, tribal messiahs, family messiahs so that your ancestors will come down to earth to help you as their descendants and guide you to follow True Parents into the Kingdom of Heaven. Because of such assistance from the spirit world, the blessing of 360 million couples is going very well. As this era is now with us, once we establish glorious true parents within our own families we can do everything as we wish, and as God wishes us to.

On this foundation, once we inherit the attributes of God—His absolute, unique, unchanging and eternal qualities—and apply these to our true family life, then no one can oppose us, even in this earthly world. This is because we will have achieved an ideal family. Your family will represent God's family and True Parents' family, and embody true parental family values. Who can destroy that? No one. Not even God or True Parents could destroy that.

The center of absolute power and authority is my home, my family. Everyone desires to have the kind of home that embodies these four attributes. If our family has that kind of value, nothing can break it. Such a family will receive the respect and protection of heavenly fortune. You need to understand this concept clearly.

You have to have confidence that even if all of Satan's power, from the individual to the cosmic level, were combined to knock you down with one punch it could not do so. From now on you have to have that outlook, otherwise it will not be possible for you to connect to the heavenly, holy family. This is not a matter of race, culture or power. No kind of power can block the equalizing power of love. Do you understand? The spirit world is not yet the Kingdom of Heaven. Instead, it is completely divided by many barriers and walls. How can those barriers and walls be torn down, making one flat plane there? I am taking that kind of action both in the spirit world and on the earth.

DECLARATIONS FOR PERFECTING THE FAMILY

Our training center is the Ideal Family Education Headquarters for World Peace. It makes no difference who you are—without going through the Jardim education you cannot reach the horizontal level you need to reach. The couples who come to the 40-day education at Jardim will pledge in front of God to inherit His four major attributes and will begin a new family life. I do not have to teach those families any more as long as each family studies the Hoon Dok Hae material every day as a family. This new blessed couple life begins from that point. This is the tradition. Through this we can initiate the realm and era of the fourth Adam, since we can reach the level of Adam and Eve having nothing to do

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with the fall. At that level, I will bequeath to you my authority and power to give the blessing to others. In other words, those blessed couples will be able to give the blessing to their children.

From that point on, the way will not be one of indemnity or going backwards, only straight forward with your ancestors connecting with and eternally following your couple all the way to the Kingdom of Heaven.

The second Jardim declaration thus explains that we have to establish absolute, unique, unchanging, and eternal value on the parents' level, children's level and conjugal level. This will expand to the tribal, national and worldwide levels and ultimately to the eternal Kingdom of Heaven on earth. This is God's originally intended ideal of creation. The family will be linked with an absolute tribe, absolute nation, absolute world, absolute Kingdom of Heaven, and absolute owner—God. God is the True Parent, True Teacher, and True King—all three. The most important things for humankind are parents, teacher and king. God alone has those three characteristics. God's position is at the top; we are standing on the same vertical line and have the same value as God. Do you understand clearly? The first Jardim declaration speaks of absolute faith, absolute love and absolute obedience. God created all things according to these concepts. Reaching that level in your family is the theme of the second declaration. Unification members cannot doubt the course I am taking. Nor does it lend itself to simple analysis. We need to follow this way absolutely. Do you understand? No matter how you research it, you will find this is the one, eternal answer.

Please repeat: *juldê shinang, juldê sarang, juldê pokjong*. So all the remnants of the fall are cut off from God, and by tagging along with God the blessed couples can reach that absolute standard. You can then receive God into your family. God is the greatest artist, educator and politician—and whatever else you might name. You have to purify and clean up your family so that you can welcome God to work together with you. Consider how you can create an artistic atmosphere around you, adding some beautiful article or concept every day, always increasing and expanding. After establishing a beautiful family level foundation, this can expand outward to the village, the nation and throughout the world. In this way, the ideal world will automatically appear all across the globe. Isn't that right? This is true. No one can overturn this argument. It is the logical way. Once we become a family that lives up to the absolute, unique, unchanging and eternal standard of God's attributes, then we will become eternal members of the Kingdom of God. In that God wants to manifest through Adam and Eve, you men should think of your wife as God's wife, and you women should think of your husband as God's husband. That's true! Both are vertically and horizontally connected to two Parents, God as the vertical parent and True Parents as the horizontal parents. Connected by true love, joining together in one place of settlement, the root of ideal love is planted in and starts from that place. These cannot be separated. Parents and children above and below, couples

right and left, and children front and rear; these three positions form one body.

THE LIBERATION OF GOD'S HEART

Dr. Sang Hun Lee is testifying about the way of life in the spirit world, which is the more substantial world. He has explained that parents and child can appear as one body that separates into individual bodies whenever they talk to one another. Centering on love, the three appear as one body. Including God, four appear as one. Although God does not have any visible form we can say there are four bodies joined as one, centering on true love. Ideal parents, ideal children, ideal brotherhood and ideal God can be found there. God has experienced so much agony in the past. At last, the ideal of perfected Adam can appear. I have such a hope.

Is such a hopeful man a happy man or not? He is very happy. Because he is so happy all his cells will burst out and spread out throughout the universe like stars.

When we look at man and woman, we have to see the value of restored man and woman who are fulfilling God's love, parents' love and children's love, husband's love and wife's love. When you see your husband, you have to recognize that value and think, "Oh, my husband is the one who fulfills God's love, my love, my children's love." This is where the Three Objective Purposes are fulfilled. This is the way we can liberate God, liberate parents and liberate our children. We have that value. Even if you just think about it, doesn't it make you feel good? Since just thinking about it makes us feel so happy and joyful, think about the kind of joy and happiness we can experience when we actually taste the perfection of it. We will feel as if we are bursting!

On that occasion, if you are asked to dance, you will stand up and dance with all of your body—your eyes, nose, ears and every part of you. Even the joints of your bones will dance together. It will be no problem to just roll around. Even standing upside down will be no problem. Think about this. In the spirit world you can do this. You can fly even standing upright or upside down. Whatever you want to do you can do, using your imagination. You and your spouse can dance around and travel around the entire universe. The entire cosmos is your stage.

Do you have such a partner? If you have an absolute, unique unchanging and eternal partner, how proud you will be. Once you arrive at that level, when you kiss it will not be mere kissing; there will be a kiss of lips, teeth, tongue and throat, and the kiss of your entire body, which is making love. Isn't that true? That is the essence of the meaning of glorious true family. Those who do not want to have a glorious true family, show your hands. Such a family is absolutely good, eternally good, and a place of complete peace.

Those of you who feel good to have heard this special message from Father and will therefore go out and do your absolute best to reach this level, show both your hands to heaven, and both legs to earth! Your hands representing heaven and your legs representing earth both say mansei. Amen. God bless you. ■

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*True Parents share time
with Ocean Challenge participants
in Kodiak*

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On Prayer and the Spirit...

have gone through such a difficult way, you can go an easy way. I have led a vicarious life already. You receive so much benefit just by identifying your feelings with mine. I have inherited the mission and the work of Jesus and succeeded him in doing this work. I am fulfilling what Jesus left undone. The grateful heart feels gratitude to the father for what the father has done for the son. The restoration of the world is your work because it is my work. God wants you to be one with me. Identify yourself with me, with Jesus, with Moses. But the present is more important. The fastest way to grow spiritually is to identify yourself with God and with the one who is with him.

Among people with whom I discuss anything religious, the word "vicarious" is one they shy away from. They do not believe anything can happen vicariously, but only directly to oneself and that each person makes his own future and must pay his own karma or acquire his own blessings. From what you say, it is quite possible to transfer this. Is it certainly transferred through the generations on one family tree?

Yes. We have two purposes in our life. One is the purpose of our own life. The other is the purpose of our life in relation to others, to our family, our nation or the whole world. For instance, in Jesus' case, he had the purpose of his own life as well as the purpose of the whole world. His death not only ended his own life, but ended his influence on the whole world. So when one who has a greater mission, one for the whole world rather than just himself—suppose he fails in his mission, or makes some mistake, then this mistake affects the whole world.

This is a true story that I heard directly from the person involved, a middle-aged woman who about 10 years ago had the power of healing. She had a friend who had an only son who was very ill. The friend asked the healer to pray for the son. Usually she could heal immediately, but she prayed and prayed for her friend's son with no effect. He was not healed. One day a voice asked her, "Do you mind paying any price?" She said, "No, I don't mind." She did everything she could to heal the son, and on the third day the diseased boy was healed. Right after that, the healer's only son died. He had been very healthy. The healer was so shocked that she lost her mind. She became insane and wandered in the streets. On the fortieth day after her son's death, she was walking on a broad street in the middle of the day when her son appeared to her in spirit. He was holding up both hands in the air, and said, "Mother, why are you crying? Stop crying! I am now in such a position that I could not possibly achieve with both my good life and the life of the other boy." The blessings and privileges of both lives were added to him. "Because of your prayer, I paid for his life. Therefore, I have been doubly



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blessed, which I could never have achieved for myself. Be grateful for this. Do not cry any more." The healer came back to herself. God had asked her if she minded paying any price for the life of her friend's son, and not realizing what would be demanded, she said yes. In this way she paid a price for the benefit of others. This was vicarious payment. Therefore, it was rewarded to her son.

If there is no vicarious atonement, then there is no sense in believing in Jesus. How could he take away your sin or help you? Yes, it does exist. Of course, you cannot escape the results of that which you cause. But someone who loves you and prays for you can help you. We must not depend upon others, of course.

It is human nature to be proud of your good ancestors. Why? Because you received the inheritance from them. If you have good ancestors, so much you receive good elements by nature. We cannot be isolated from our background. Also what we do affects our offspring. Thus it says in the Bible, "The father's sins will be visited upon the children to the third and fourth generations." It is also said, "I will reward your descendants." All this is true.

I do not feel worthy to talk to God yet, but I feel perfectly free to talk with spirits who I feel are working with me.

Since the woman had the power of healing given her by God so that she could help people, within the limit of that power which God gave her she has the right to insist. She could say to God, "You have given me the power to heal people. Why don't you heal this boy?" Within the limit of your mission, you can exercise authority, power and right, and insist that God help you. The boy's life-span was short, and she was insisting. So God said, "If you are so faithful to your mission and wish to heal this person whose life-span is so short, then I must extend his life-span." She said to God, "You have given me this power, now You must do this."

Suppose there is a man who is very sinful in God's eyes, and you pray to God saying that you would be willing to take upon yourself his sin so that he may be forgiven. It works. But you must pay indemnity for that sin. If his crime is very grave, you must pay more.■

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Pure Love Alliance Tour in Japan and Korea

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IMAGINE marching in line under pouring monsoon rain with 300 other people. Sound like an army? Close. This is what it was like during many of our marches during the Pure Love '98 tour across Japan and Korea. It was an all-out war against free sex. Dressed in our blue 'PLA' (Pure Love Alliance) caps, Pure Love '98 T-shirts and blue shorts, we were ready to fight with our banners, placards, and slogans such as 'One love, one life, one man, one wife!' In less than three weeks we hit five cities in Japan and three in Korea, blitzkrieg-style, then concluded it all with an intense three days at Chung Pyung Lake. Although it was tough physically as we were always on the go, this year's tour was not only an eye-opening cultural experience, but a heart-moving life experience.

Our first and most important city in Japan was Tokyo. The outcome of the Tokyo rally would set the tone for the rest of the Japanese cities. Hundreds showed up at Yoyogi Park in the heart of Tokyo and proved to be a loyal and supportive crowd even under the heavy rain. I had the honor of being chosen as the student speaker from America. Actually, I had volunteered the night before, prepared the speech that morning in less than thirty minutes, and then just prayed desperately as I waited my turn to go on stage. As the rally schedule kept changing by the minute, I wasn't even certain that I would give my speech until one minute prior to going on stage. I felt that through my being able to keep a prayerful heart however, God let me give my speech and that He helped me do it with much confidence and passion. The rally in Tokyo was a success. The Associated Press covered our event, allowing news of the Pure Love Alliance in Tokyo to be in newspapers all over the globe. In fact, we got more media coverage there than at any other rally in Japan.

The Tokyo rally was followed by a rally in Osaka (held indoors), and one in Nagoya. After each rally, we marched through the busy downtown streets in these cities, attracting much attention from skeptical young people. As I stared into these people's eyes, I kept a smiling

face to inspire them about purity, but deep inside my heart was crying out. Sometimes tears almost did surface, as I thought of how much God loves and longs for each and every one of them. As my brothers and sisters, I felt I missed them and loved them so much, too. I just wished that they could come back home, back home to God's love. As I thought of this, my heart always became more desperate to spread the message of abstinence before marriage and fidelity with-in, to all of Japan and the world.

In Hiroshima, I was privileged to be able to act upon my heart's desire by collecting signatures for the 'Pure Love Pledge' from people on the streets during the march there. Even though that morning we had seen how silent the city had been some fifty-three years earlier after the A-bomb had been dropped, that afternoon there were so many people coming and going in such a hurry, I didn't know who to approach first. I did approach many people but few even smiled and fewer still stopped to listen and signed the pledge. Once again I had a taste of God's heart.

There was more of a joyful spirit at our last Japanese rally, held in Fukuoka. Everyone patiently endured the hour and a half-long rally sitting in the blazing sun, then gave their best during this final march in Japan. The chanting grew louder towards the end, turning into a celebration of our victory. The president of the PLA, Mr. Robert Kittel announced that although we had very little media coverage, we were able to meet several high-ranking government officials in the education department and discuss the issue of pure love. He also mentioned that our victory was each participant's personal growth. Indeed, many of us reached our limitations during our stay in Japan. But, we quickly learned to be grateful; for instance, to never ask what we were eating, just eat it, and to be glad to at least have a place to sleep, even if it meant using a sleeping bag.

The atmosphere was completely different in Korea. From the outside the country seemed a bit untidy. However, the Korean PLA members, who hosted the rallies, were bursting with enthusiasm. For example, they had created a cute song and dance about purity to be sung during acts during the rallies and at the conclu-

sion of each rally they burned a hand-made "Free Sex Man" to signify the end of free sex. We rallied in Pusan, Taejon and Seoul, and as the Korean people have a strong sense of family values ingrained in their culture, we seemed more welcomed by the public and the media than in Japan and were even broadcast on national television after the Pusan rally.

Even after all the rallies and marches were over we received many blessings. First of all, we received from True Mother a personal breakfast invitation to Hannam-dong (True Parents' home in Seoul) at which time Hoon Sook Nim gave us a moving talk before flying to Russia for a ballet competition. Then we had the chance to see North Korea from a park along the border. There we held a special ceremony at which time we prayed for the unification of North and South Korea. As we left the border, we parted, some in tears, with our Korean brothers and sisters with whom we had built close ties, and headed to our final destination, Chung Pyung Lake. Although we had been yelling and screaming for purity for several weeks before going to Chung Pyung, Daemonim told us many of us were not living the ideal of purity. However, the three-day workshop at Chung Pyung allowed us to take a deep look inside ourselves, and to truly repent and purify our spirits. To me, this workshop was the best way to end the tour and prepare to face life in a world of free sex because it allowed much time for personal reflection, prayer and re-determination.

As I look through my pictures of the tour, I realize how close I became to the other participants and that together we made memories that will last a lifetime. I am grateful for the experience I had, not only in reaching out to the youth of Japan and Korea, but in stretching my heart to embrace the people I ate, slept, and bathed with each day. Pure Love '98 gave me profound understanding of the importance of purity and the determination to practice purity in its complete sense, and I can't wait for all the new experiences I'll have on Pure Love '99, wherever it will take me! ■■■

Victoria and her husband Tomihiro Onishi were blessed on June 13, 1998, at Madison Square Garden, New York.

Yun Young Yang



ONE of the earliest and most faithful of Father's disciples, Mrs. Yun Young Yang, ascended to the spirit world at 2:45 p.m. on September 30, 1998, in a hospital near Seoul. Her Seung Hwa Ceremony was held at 8 o'clock in the morning on October 2, and Mrs. Yang was interred at the special Unification cemetery at Paju.

Mrs. Yang was born in North Korea on May 10, 1910, the year Japan formally annexed Korea. Her family had been Presbyterians since the 1800s, and Mrs. Yang was herself a stalwart believer.

After studying music at Ewha Uni-

versity in Seoul, she stayed on to teach. It was during this time that Mrs. Yang was introduced to the Principle by a relative, Hyo Won Eu, who had recently become a follower himself. She was the first person he witnessed to after moving to Seoul, just before the Unification Church was officially registered.

Following a dramatic conversion experience during her initial lectures, she immediately began witnessing enthusiastically, especially to the students at Ewha University. She became a source of great power in the church's outreach program and Principle lectures

were given in her home every day.

It was at this time that the university authorities began to persecute students and professors who were associating with the church.

Mrs. Yang also wrote a number of holy songs cherished in the Unification tradition—among them *Pledge* and *Day of Glory*—which she received partly through revelation and prayer.

May she find joy and fulfillment in her new life in the spirit world.■■■

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Offering of Faith

months at a time for the sake of God's will for overall restoration. Only True Father, by himself, has set up those conditions. Gaining victory in this way, True Parents, who have truly attended God, are wanting to bequeath the overall fruit of their victory to us, the blessed families. Could each of our families set up conditions of indemnity vertically and horizontally in the same way True Parents have done, and then inherit from them? That would be absolutely impossible. Even though we do not walk that path of indemnity, True Parents still want to bequeath everything to us through the condition we make of absolute faith, absolute love and absolute obedience.

The Completed Testament Age is

the age of absolute faith. As the age of God and True Parents' realm of dominion, it is the age in which we should attend them in absolute faith. In front of True Parents, who are the absolute subject, it is our wish to become an object endowed with absolute faith, with united mind and body. True Parents have taught that the position of absolute faith is not one of self-assertion, but one of self-denial. We cannot have the concept of "It's mine!" I offer my possessions, my heart, my very self as an absolute object in front of True Parents, as a living, sacrificial offering. In that way, I become one with True Parents, I receive my inheritance, and I live my life with the same value as True Parents.

True Father has taught that no one can reach perfection through faith alone. Faith can guide us to the door of our destination, but it is true love that leads

the way through that doorway. This is the reason that absolute faith must be linked with a lifestyle of absolute love and absolute obedience. Absolute faith is the precondition to love God and True Parents absolutely, and to be in harmony and unity with them.

Absolute faith always gives birth to a higher dimension of joy and gratitude, makes us more loving, and renews us. Let us always keep in mind these two things Father has said: "Before we come to believe in God, the desire to believe was instilled in us through an inner *in-yeon* [condition for relationship] bestowed by Him" and "At the time of creation, God worked through absolute faith, absolute love and absolute obedience."

Let us all realize true love through a way of life of practicing absolute faith. May God bless you.■■■

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New Revelations...

Father! This is Kim Young Soon. I dare to present this letter to you. I received your instructions from Reverend Kwak, and in the car on the way home I was feeling the weight of the task, because I didn't know what to do. Then, I received God's encouragement to be joyful that you have been blessed. I felt I had to offer some condition. I thought I would offer 40 days. Then, I wanted to make it 21 days, and then 3 days. The longer the period of devotion,

the longer you would have to wait. The next day, I received a phone call from Reverend Kwak. He told me that he was leaving for the United States in three days, and he needed me to give him all the results of your instructions before then. I was at a loss. Oh God, help me. How can I complete everything in three days? God, please, please help me. How can I do this in three days? Then, suddenly, I heard a voice say: Mrs. Kim, this is Sang Hun Lee. Don't you know Father's character? Let's begin this evening. I'm ready. Then, he gave me a list of the prayer items. I told him that I didn't even know who Japan's Tojo was,

but he told me not to worry. He said he knew about Tojo well, so I didn't have to worry that I didn't know him. He was very calm and kept encouraging me. He never comes unless it is for a public purpose. Yet, when Father's instructions are involved, he comes immediately. I realized how deep the communication is between a father and son. The spiritual world that cannot be seen with the physical eye, I am learning many things, and feeling many things. Father!■■■

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Father and Mother host a True Family birthday celebration at East Garden on September 20, 1998 (Photo: Luc Babin/NY)

Once we enter heaven in the spirit world, we remain at our prime of life for eternity. Also, as we keep improving our internal qualities, our appearance becomes more beautiful and more inspiring. Once we know the reality of the spirit world we can immediately be connected to it.

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