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Reverend Sun Jo Hwang



Grace from Heaven

GOOD morning, brothers and sisters. I would like to tell you this morning about True Parents' most recent providential work. True Father's eighty years of life signify total restoration through indemnity for the sake of humanity. This is the year marking the number eighty. So this year has very significant providential meaning. True Parents celebrated their fortieth wedding anniversary this year, too. True Parents' Holy Wedding signifies the completion of the purpose of creation for eternity.

When we look back at the twentieth century, we can see it was a century of conflict and war. This was not just another century, but it was the time of change from satanic dominion to God's dominion from the viewpoint of God's providence. From Satan's viewpoint, it was his last moment. From God's point of view, it is a new beginning. The Principle teaches us that the Last Days means the phenomena in progress due to the changes of the world from satanic dominion to God's dominion.

You can witness this as we pass from the twentieth to the twenty-first century. You can witness the end of satanic dominion. The twentieth century was a century of conflict and war. We should begin the twenty-first century by surmounting this reality.

Who started these conflicts and wars? Sociologists of the twentieth century say that there were about a hundred and fifty conflicts and wars of varying sizes after World War II. As we speak there are conflicts happening in about thirty locations. What is the cause of all these conflicts? The major cause has been religion. The most conflict-ridden area has been the Middle East. All the conflicts in the Middle East have a lot to do with religion. People have suffered for about thirty years in Ireland because of this latest round of religious conflict. It is the same in Turkey and in East Timor. The conflicts in all these countries can be characterized as religious.

The other causes are extreme nationalism and racial discrimination. These three are the major causes of twentieth century conflicts. Religions went off the track of the essence of religion. And chauvinistic nationalism and religious discrimination play important roles as Satan's tools. These have to change in order for the world to come under God's dominion. That is why Father teaches us the importance, for the sake of world peace, of going beyond religion and beyond nationalism.

What this means is not that we should leave religion behind but that we should go beyond religious denominations. This means we should go beyond what is false in religions, beyond religious authority and dogmatism. To be transnational means that we should denounce extreme nationalism. That is why Father is trying to expand the movement for world peace through the Interreligious and International Federation for World Peace (IIFWP).

The significance of IIFWP Assembly 2000

The spirit of the twenty-first century is one of building world peace. From the providential point of view, it is the time for God's Kingdom to begin. What True Father claimed in the UN was that we should build God's Kingdom on Earth and the eternal world of peace through a movement, based on universal brotherhood, that transcends religion and nationalism. Father put a lot of emphasis on the role of the UN in achieving this goal. In other words, the UN has to change. Originally, the UN was created to solve conflicts worldwide, but it has not fully accomplished its aims.

What kind of changes does Father mean? Firstly, Father suggested that the UN should have an upper house and a lower house. The lower house should be made up of representatives from all nations. The upper house should be made up of spiritual leaders that transcend religion and nationality. The UN should send its own ambassadors, who are able to go beyond their own national interests, to other nations to contribute to world peace. At present, the representatives from each nation are only concerned about their own national interests. That is why it is so hard for world peace to come. Father suggested that the UN should create an upper house made up of spiritual leaders whose sole interest is world peace. That way, the UN could play the central role in the realization of world peace.

Spiritual leaders, religious, cultural and educational leaders who are totally nonpolitical should become members of the upper house as the watchmen for world peace. Secondly, Father said that we should build peace zones under UN administration. What does it mean to build a peace zone? There are so many national border areas in the world. Father suggested that the UN create peace zones where there is conflict between countries and play the central role in solving international conflicts.

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A summer camp for some four thousand middle and high school blessed children of Korea (the Sung Hwa Students, as they have been known since the 1950s) was held from August 2nd to 4th. Activities included hiking, a night prayer vigil, and a concert on an outdoor stage. Here the t-shirts spell out "Sung Hwa! Exploding like fireworks!"

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Declaration Day of God's Eternal Blessing

TENTH 7.1 JEOL

REVEREND SUN MYUNG MOON

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HANNAM-DONG, KOREA

Father gave special guidance connected with "return ceremonies" in this speech to an invited group of leaders.

TO ENTER Heaven you should create wholesome unity in your family together with your sons and daughters. Those among the thirty-six couple blessed families who have problems should be re-evaluated. That way, we should go beyond the family level blessing age into the national level blessing age, and eventually to the worldwide blessing age. Since we still have such a task before us, I can still forgive those unification families with problems. Originally, I would not have been able to. Since we do not have our own nation, all kinds of problems arose among the blessed families. I must liberate them on the national level. I must liberate them so that they can go beyond the national level. We are still in a special period in which saints and evil murderers can stand side by side in the same blessing. That is why I can forgive all your wrongdoing since you received the blessing. When this period is over, I will not be able to. When we have our own nation and have set up the national constitution, if you do wrong, you will have no choice but to go to the realm of division.

The fact that you are blessed does not guarantee all of you will go to heaven. In the same way that the dawn sunlight shines through the shadow of darkness and gradually makes things visible, we should be able to see things gradually and take dominion over all things in the daylight, eventually going beyond the national level. Since we still have such a task to fulfill and we still have to grow in the spirit world, God still has to work hard to shorten the time period needed to complete this revolutionary task with True Parents' authority. How complicated that is! That is why you should know what to do on the national level on earth. We should set up constitutional law for the heavenly world on earth. In that way we can establish the condition to perfect ourselves and be liberated on earth.

You should fulfill your responsibility while you are on earth. You rascals! You are concerned about your own property and nation. They will all be gone. If you do not unite, you will fall away. It works the same way with nations.

Today is the first day of July, *Chil Il Jeol*. It a day to celebrate a great victory in heaven and earth. We had a ceremony of return yesterday. You do not fully understand the meaning of that. We should see the return of the sea, the land, the universe, and finally of the realm of the fourth Adam. For

the sake of the return of the realm of the fourth Adam, you should have set up a victorious condition. It is an unbelievable story, like a dream. We had the ceremony of return yesterday. We had to have the ceremony of return by reviving man and woman's sexual organs that had fallen into the soil symbolizing the bottom of hell. This is deeply connected to the era of the fourth Adam.

You cannot love centered on yourselves. You should change fundamentally. There cannot be love when you think of your own selves rather than of others. There cannot be individualism. There can only be "heaven-ism." Not totalitarianism but "heaven-ism." Heaven-ism connects individuals and families vertically from the smallest to the biggest. What

is the most precious thing for any man or woman? [Their sexual organs.] What are these? (Showing a photograph of the stones resembling men's and women's sexual organs that were discovered by a spiritualist—who is not a member—and given to True Parents) These were revived and they reached us here. They had fallen into the soil, as stones, or lower than that. Having gone from the sorrowful stage for all things to the revival stage, and having

passed over all the hills of all things and of humankind, they have finally returned to True Parents. This makes the return ceremony possible: the false lineage could return to God. The fact that the return ceremony was possible itself was a miracle. There are many stones resembling the sexual organs of man and woman, but nothing like these. They are so similar, even in the details. These are the palaces of love, the palaces of life, the palaces of lineage, the palaces of conscience, the very foundation of everything. God created heaven and earth for this. For love.

Because that love fell apart, the *han* (anguish) of Heaven, humankind and all things came about. Because of the misuse of these very organs, they ended up being stuck in the ground upside down. What is the central tool with which True Parents can liberate and return all things, humankind and even God from the bondage of grief? It is the sexual organ. Therefore, you cannot just live your lives recklessly. I told you yesterday that God's love is absolute, unique, unchanging, and eternal, and that your own sexual organs therefore have absolute, unique, unchanging and eternal value. A woman's organ does not belong to the woman, a man's not to the man himself. The real owners of men's and women's sexual organs are not themselves, but God....



They do not belong to you. The fall came about when they [Adam and Eve] thought they owned theirs. The Archangel thought he owned his. Eve thought she owned hers and Adam thought he owned his. They denied their value. Because it is now the time when True Parents can settle their ideal of love, representing the absolute, unique and unchanging realm of love in this world, after restoring all the upside-down situations, we can now see the liberation of all things, the liberation of humankind, and the liberation of Heaven. On that foundation, we can set up the position of the lord of love and build the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth.

You must always remember that Adam and Eve's fall created this hellish world and they became the essence of anguish. All men and women are destined to reverse this situation in their own lives. To fulfill that task, they must meet spouses with absolute value who can connect them to God's absolute love. The center of God's love is where a man and a woman are united into one on the horizontal level. You have to understand that [your sexual organ] has such value. When you know this clearly, you will want to clean out all the traces of your tainted past and even your perceptions. Those who are unable clean up their own perceptions of such things cannot follow me.

I might ask you to live celibate for four years from now. How about that? Would you do that if I said so? [Yes.] It is a fearful time. You have the most fearful and precious thing within you. People are spiritual beings and their value is different from that of the animals.

Where do a man and a woman meet when they are in love? (Showing the photograph) There. This is common for both men and women. People sing songs of love when they miss the fact that they cannot be peacefully together in oneness. That is what love songs are all about. What are these? The harmonious embodiment of happiness, peace and unification. What did I just say? The harmonious embodiment of happiness, peace and unification. There is magic here. But it is no good if there is no unification here; no good if there is no happiness here; no good if there is no peace here. Do you think I'm right or wrong? [Right.] It is eternally and unmistakably true. You should set up a memorial stone to the fidelity and purity of husband and wife.

People's sexual organs are the origin of eternal life. Not the belly button!...Therefore, your sexual organs have to connect to God's blood lineage. Throughout history, people have not known this. Since I announced everything, and put it into practice in my own life, and as a result broke down and cleared away the wall blocking the spirit world, we can enjoy the historical moment of liberation, liberation of all things from grief, liberation of humankind from grief, God's liberation from anguish. Beyond that, even, we can now be eternally and limitlessly independent and free. The entire world will become one, centered on absolute, unique, unchanging, and eternal love. Independence. Even if no one claims it, it claims itself. That is the power I have. Once anyone knows me as a Unificationist, he or she can never forget me. I somehow fol-



low wherever you go. Eternally it will be so. Eternally. Your connection with me should be connected to the origin of God's love, which is essential. That is what God's love is about.

For a man, his wife is the most important person. Even if he has to throw away all of his property, he cannot exchange his wife for anything. She is his only treasure. Do you think so? You have to train yourselves so that you are not stimulated even if the most beautiful woman comes up to you and touches your sexual organ. Otherwise, I cannot entrust you with God's beloved sons and daughters. (Father describes an imaginary test:) Thousands of beauties show up naked. The most beautiful woman sleeps naked. You are naked, too. Your and her sexual organs touch each other. Even in such circumstances you should not be stimulated. You have to pass through such a process of self-denial. To understand the heart of God who had to turn over His most beloved to His enemy and bless His enemy, should you be stimulated or not? Should you be stimulated in such a situation? [No.] No. Can you bless your enemies? You should understand God's agony at having to deal with His enemy in such a way. That is the highest point of the *Tao*.

Since you are connected in blood, you have to go in and out of the bottom of hell upside down. You have to be placed in and taken out of the melting furnace. Unclean parts of you should be burned away. All the unclean parts should be burned away until you become pure gold. What is so wonderful about Mother is that she trusts everything I say. She has absolutely obeyed what I have said, and therein lies her greatness. She has been put into situations in which a lot of women would have opposed me. But she overcame all this and became the kind of a daughter whom Father can trust. Even if a father is flawed, his daughter should think that she will take responsibility for her father's flaws. When a woman has that kind of attitude, she can extract the root of Eve's sin from herself.

To create a breakthrough in the local districts of your town, you should invest 30 percent of what you have, even if you might have to sell your land and houses. Formation, growth and perfection stages. Thirty-three percent of the perfection stage belongs to heaven. You have to offer 33 percent of what you own....Satan has controlled us based on the formation and growth realm. In order to reverse the situation and dominate the satanic world, we should offer one third of what we have to Heaven.

If you don't fulfill your responsibilities you might have to pack up and retreat! When I came down to the South, crossing the 38th parallel, I left my own family and relatives behind. You must be willing to do the same. Do you understand? There will be a sizable mobilization...

You women here: will you take part in the mobilization or not? [We will.] Didn't I tell you back at the end of 1970s that all of you would be mobilized again?

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Declaration of the Realm of the Cosmic Sabbath for the Parents of Heaven and Earth

FOURTH 7.8 JEOL

REVEREND SUN MYUNG MOON

AUGUST 6TH, 2000

CHEONG PYEONG HEAVEN AND EARTH TRAINING CENTER, KOREA

DOES God like peace or not? [He does.] Did you say He likes peace? [Yes!] God likes peace. How much does He like it? Absolutely! Say it. Absolutely. [Absolutely.] It's the best—that's how much He likes it. He loves it endlessly. Can God live or die based on whether or not there is peace? Do you think that God can die unless He sees the world in peace? Do you think that God would like to die or not? [He wouldn't.] Because He wouldn't want to die, there is no other way for Him but to try to make this a world of peace! Then, can God create a world of peace by Himself? [No.]

Do you like peace or harmony? You can have harmony based on peace. Can peace come from harmony? Do you think peace can come from prosperity or is it the other way around? All things should be harmonized and then you can have peace. Those who want to be kings and queens of peace raise your hands. Wow! You are much better looking than I. All of you! It's simple. What's the issue? If you break down the national boundaries, a world of peace will come!

When national boundaries disappear, a peaceful world will automatically be realized. [Amen!] Unificationists shouldn't say 'Amen.' You should say 'Thank you' instead. [Thank you!] Do you understand? It's simple. If you break down the national boundaries, the world of peace will automatically come! [Thank you.] (Applause) What you should remember is that it is not God that owns the boundaries between nations. The master who created those boundaries is the devil, Satan. Where there are boundaries, there is always the devil. Who is hiding on the 38th parallel? [The devil!] The devil and his corpses. There is a big barrier that has been created between Eastern and Western civilization. Who is hiding there? [The devil.] The devil is hiding there.

It was not God who made differences of culture and tradition, or racial discrimination and all other kinds of discrimination. God wants a unified world, one world. A world without national boundaries. Since there are no national boundaries in God, He can say nothing but to love your enemies. If you cannot go beyond the stage of taking vengeance upon your enemies, national boundaries will continue to exist. How can you get rid of national boundaries? Where people love their enemies and create unity, national boundaries will start to collapse.

Therefore, the Godly strategy and tactic is to love one's enemy. Throughout history, humankind did not understand that loving one's enemy is a great strategy and tactic, and

people living today do not understand it either. Unificationists have finally understood, inherited and practiced the truth of God's strategy and tactic. So all Unification Church members will be captains leading toward peace in the world. Is what I'm saying right? National boundaries! When your minds are not one, barriers can form. When your bodies are not one, barriers can come into being. When you don't like what I do, barriers can form. When you don't like my words, barriers can form. When you don't like what I see, barriers can form. All kinds of barriers can come into being when your minds connected to your five senses are not united (with the truth). Therefore, when you have barriers in



your mind through your five senses, or in your historical and traditional environments, you belong to Satan. When you have no barriers at all in your mind, you belong to God. Satan is the champion and king at making as many barriers as possible. God is the king who dislikes and wants to break down all the barriers the most. If you understand, clap your hands. (Applause) If you don't understand, clap your hands. You rascals. (Laughter.) You are being judged instantly. You should understand what I say.

Then does God like those Koreans who want to keep the division on the 38th parallel, or not? [He doesn't like them.] He doesn't like them! You should understand clearly. Then are those who are willing to break down the 38th parallel champions whom God likes, or are they bad people? [Champions!] You understand this clearly.

But is it easy? Those who like the 38th parallel are on the satanic side. That is certain. Division is what the evil king and champion wants. But the good king does not like to have the 38th parallel division. Am I right or wrong? [Right.] Do you understand or not? [We understand.] I don't need to say any more. If I really speak about it, it will take many decades. Let's just stop here. At the risk of my life, I will not leave the DMZ behind me to the next generation! (Applause) It is possible to break down the DMZ if all seventy million Koreans in South and North Korea determine that they will not leave the 38th parallel problem to the generations to come. But is that easy to achieve? Those who like the 38th parallel are on the satanic side. That's certain.

Satan is the master of the 38th parallel. God is behind the efforts of breaking it down. Therefore, we Unificationists should digest the 38th parallel problem, get rid of it and break down the national boundary so that intermarriage is possible between potential enemies. When people are eager to have their potential enemies as their daughters-in-law and

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sons-in-law, then the unification of heaven and earth will automatically come into being! [Amen!] (Applause)

The devil and his followers live where there are divisions like that of the 38th parallel. Those who break down 38th parallel-style barriers and try to love each other most definitely belong to God's lineage, His blood lineage! (Applause)

So, what I'm going to suggest to the UN this time is that the national border area around the 38th parallel should not stay as a national boundary but should belong to the UN, transcending national limitations. (Applause) Once our 38th parallel area becomes UN territory, all other areas of conflicts in the world should also be absorbed by the UN! (Applause)

I asked Unificationists to make the total living offering. You should go beyond the conditions that used to be made in the Old Testament Age, New Testament Age, and Completed Testament Age where you had to divide your offerings representing God's side and Satan's side. In the Old Testament Age, people had to make their offerings shed blood and to divide them with the satanic side on the left and God's side on the right. God's side and Satan's side had to fight in such a way.

The Old Testament Age represents the material world. In a family, there are husband and wife, sons and daughters and material possessions. When listed in this order, the final thing in a family—material possessions—had to be offered to God, as well as Satan, in place of children, so that the children could escape harm.

Since the Old Testament Age failed, however, neither God nor Satan wanted to share the material offerings any more. Satan said, "Since dividing the materials failed, don't we have to share Your son?" That is why God's son, Jesus, had to come to the earth and shed his blood. So Satan took Jesus's body and Jesus's spirit went to the spirit world.

Division of the son's body and mind caused separation between the spirit world and the physical world. It was a big problem. It also caused division between men and women and between mind and body. In order to reunite these divisions, Jesus, who claimed ownership of the spirit world, has to come back to the earth to claim ownership of the physical world. What must he do in the physical world? He must marry.

For God to have the spirit world and for Satan to have the physical world, Satan killed the body of Jesus, God's son. Satan did whatever he wanted with it. The satanic side is doomed to death. For the two thousand years since he went to the spirit world, Jesus has trained people on earth, unified the heavenly world and set up Christianity on earth. Within Christianity, the Abel side and Cain side, Protestantism and Catholicism, had to struggle and became each other's enemies. One belongs relatively to God's side and the other to Satan's side.

The elder son belongs to Satan's side and the younger son, as Abel, to God's side. History is full of these kinds of struggles and barriers. We have to eliminate them! Therefore,

the Second Coming must unify the spirit world, and wed on earth in order to unify heaven and earth, and men and women. That is what Christians call the marriage supper of the Lamb! (Applause)

After World War II, the spirit world and earthly Christian nations had to be united. And the Christian cultural realm actually unified the entire world. Jesus, who had unified the leadership in the spirit world, came to hold sway over the earthly Christian cultural realm. Since the time came for the Christian cultural realm on earth to unite, Jesus and the Holy Spirit had to come to earth and to wed in their physical bodies as a real husband and wife. That way, mind and body that were separated and had struggled with each other finally would unite and all struggles between men and women would come to an end. The very causes of all the struggles and all the problems in the world is the discord between men and women and between mind and body. Once we resolve

the conflicts between mind and body and between men and women, we can all go to the heavenly palace of peace! [Amen] (Applause)

What I'm saying here is not ambiguous. Based on concrete reality, what

is the purpose of religion? God calls His sons and daughters centered on His love and marries them to each other....In view of God's ideal of creation, whom should God marry first? [Adam and Eve.] *A-Dam!* (*dam* means a wall or fence in Korean) Do you know how many walls have been made? *Hae-Wa* (it means Eve in Korean and Father uses it in this case to represent the sound of walls breaking down). We should

break down those walls. Who is responsible for those walls? Because Eve is responsible, she should pave the way for Godly bridegrooms and brides. She should pave the way that was there in the beginning before the fall and before all the walls came into being. After Eve finishes breaking down all the walls, she, in the lead, will move forward, dancing before the world, to walk down the path that will be welcomed by the heavenly world, all the ancestors, even God, until she has gone around the entire earth, following the sun around to the other side. Then the earthly and heavenly Kingdom of Heaven will finally come! Amen! [Amen!] (Applause)

There has never been such a day in human history. Because there has been no such day, humankind is suffering, going through all kinds of pain and struggle, bound by all the barriers. You did not know that finding out how to break down those boundaries is the very beginning of actualizing peace. You do not know how to break them down. So all of you who are sitting here celebrating *Chil Pal Jeol* are a blessed group since you are taught by Reverend Moon who is known as the True Parent! You should say 'Thank you.' [Thank you.] (Applause)

Can I break down the vast number of national boundaries or not? [You can.] How? How? [With true love!] With true love? Where is true love? That's the question. How? Can I or can't I? I can't. Why? Even God couldn't do it. [But Father



Because Satan has left the scene, the pathway to eternal life is opened up for those whose lives were headed directly to the realms of death in Hell, and they can, instead, rise up to the realm of Heaven.

has done it.] Even God couldn't do it. How could Father do it? How do you know if I've done it or lied to you? To break them down, one must have the same understanding as God. Am I right or not? [Right.]

When you look at the spirit world, there is hell and heaven. Heaven is daytime and hell is nighttime. Those who do not understand day and night cannot control this boundary in heaven. Those who understand can automatically control it. Those who really understand even hell can control, and therefore break down, the barrier. So you cannot do anything if you do not understand. Do you understand?

God can break down the barriers, because He sees them everyday and knows them. Do you understand? So, the problem is whether or not you understand God. Do you understand God? Why are you silent? Didn't you say that you understood everything before? Do you know God or not? [We know Him.] How well do you know Him?

Understanding God is one thing. You should most of all understand how God can settle the problem of all the national boundaries. Isn't that what's important? [Yes.] All the national boundaries are blocking God from what He needs and what He loves. So if we break down the national boundaries and liberate everything, God can be happy. Do you understand?

What does God do? He loves everything. Do you think all the creatures in the world want to be dominated by God or want to suffer, to be persecuted painfully and be dominated by evil?

Although there is heaven, and God is in heaven, why are there so many national barriers everywhere? Because there is nobody who truly understands God, the spirit world and the content of the tradition of the heavenly world. So no other way has been possible. Once people understand the reality, the realm of liberation will come about in the spirit world and on earth! [Amen!] You should know this clearly. Do you understand?

Once you can stand in the position where Satan can do nothing but answer when you call "You, Satan!", Satan will know clearly what kind of master is behind your call. What kind of master is it? It is one who knows how to live with the way of traditional thought and the cultural environment that can unite with the heavenly way and with God's mind. Then what is that way? It is human beings living for others. Do you understand? Not the ones who look for love and live only for themselves. The ones who make the other party the owners of love and enable them to dance in love are the true inheritors who understand God and who can take care of and protect the spirit world. Satan has no way to defend himself in front of those people! (Applause)

Religions say that my family and relatives are my enemies in the last days...As long as you do not die, and manage to survive in that position while loving your enemies, you can become the master of your enemies' world—Satan retreats

and the world that belongs to your enemies can come around to the point of actually respecting you! Would you say "Nomen" to that, or would you say "Amen" to that? Let's hear you say a big "Amen"! [Amen!]

Even when living for others, if you love your neighborhood, and you love your parents, and you call them together and love another neighborhood area, bringing along all kinds of offerings, could Satan just sit there and take it, or would he run away? Come on, give me an answer! Without a doubt, Satan would have to run away. Then God would come and pay you back a thousand or ten thousand times over.

What is the orthodox philosophy by which you can know God and know the heavenly kingdom; what is the secret to make Satan run away like a scared cat? If you determine to live for others, die for others, to love for the sake of others, Satan will, without fail, give up his front line and run away.

So, what happens then? Because Satan has left the scene, the pathway to eternal life is opened up for those whose lives were headed directly to the realms of death in Hell, and they can, instead, rise up to the realm of Heaven. And they live there for eternity. They become a dedicated group that earnestly desires to know God, to know the heavenly kingdom, to live one thousand, ten thousand, a billion years for the sake of the love that exists for the other, the love, which, in itself, is the traditional and orthodox outlook of Heaven. And, through these souls becoming this dedicated group, through their being able to call God, who is the subject of all these things, their Father, here, the logic of eternal life, and the traditions of eternal life appear. Through the eternal blood-

line—the eternal lineage—logic and tradition are established and take root. This itself is an undeniable and great truth! [Amen!] (Applause)

That's what eternal life is—essentially related with love. Even in creating the world, God Himself lived with absolute faith, absolute love and absolute obedience.

Because God has that kind of mind, the kind of heart, that allows Him to invest His love and give even more love, forever, for eternity, forever

and always, even if the entire world should disappear—and because that's who God is, then there is no being that can refuse to attend God as the absolute, eternal and unchanging lord, there is no being that exists with just a relative ideology. This is what you need to understand. Clear cut, don't you think?

Then, for the eternal and unchanging sons and daughters of God, God's country is my country, and God Himself is my God. Because I become one with God and the way of life that is practiced by the master of the tradition of the heavenly kingdom, and because I am without doubt a son or daughter of God, eternal life and eternal existence follow automatically!

Therefore, the world that always views national borders with this mind and this *shimjung* is a place that can be ruled together with God, and that can attend Him by functioning





as a kingly realm of a victorious hegemony. And because that world is this kind of place, automatically, Satan must surrender naturally, and in due course, without a trace of him remaining. This is a fundamental and original truth of the principle that rules the Cosmos! [Amen!] (Applause.)

God has love, life and lineage. What about a man? A man has sperm. He also has a conscience. The conscience is all rough and bumpy, but it desires to be horizontal and even. A man has these essential and important things, but what is it that allows him to display the value that validates all these things? None of the value of these things can ever be displayed if he is alone. Why? A man is only half the story. No matter how great he is, no matter how big the circles he moves in, no matter if he becomes a prime minister or president, and lets everybody know it, too, he is still only one half of the whole. In other words, there is man, and there is also woman.

That is why this creature we call a man is only one half of the whole. That half-piece, that person we call a man, he absolutely needs that concave half-piece that fits him. Even if he uses up all his collected wealth, even if he has to sell his life, even if she is a really ugly thing, he has to have her, and only then can he live on as a man.

You rascally men, you didn't even know that you are only half the equation! And you women! You have lived your lives without even knowing that you have the authority and value to make those half-pieces into whole-pieces! From now on, women's liberation has to mean that women think that they have to lay their men out and sit on them, they have to pull them around this way or that way, in order to complete them, in order to make those half-pieces into whole-pieces. This view is one of God's secret methods for resolving the fallen race.

The focal point of love for God, the focal point that God can love within the human being made flesh, and the "game" that God desired to play in that 90 degree angle position, is found in the reality that he had to find that one day when the humans could marry after completing their growing period. Adam and Eve did not know that their marriage ceremony was both an external horizontal marriage ceremony and also the internal marriage ceremony for God.

The reason that the external God and the internal God had to become one and the bloodline of the external God had to be passed on and connected is that God's children and grandchildren had to form three generations. But, in fact, no such descendants have existed. If the blood was passed on for three generations and multiplied on the earth, this would have become, without a doubt, the seeds of sons and daughters that God wanted, and the seeds that Adam and Eve wanted. Wherever those seeds were planted, that location

would become a place of original sons. It would contain the path of cultivation that leads to Heaven, and the world would be a location for sons and daughters who require no religion and who can grow directly into Heaven. These sons and daughters could automatically go to Heaven by simply drinking their mother's breast milk and following behind their parents. That is how it would have been, but because Adam and Eve fell, the bloodline through which the Father could be present was blocked, and the archangel entered in His place and became one with the children. Because the bloodline of the archangel was connected to Adam's flesh, the lineage of Satan is active and fermenting in your flesh! Know this fact!

The enemy of hundreds and thousands of generations is clinging to my marrow and festering inside me! What a reality! It continues on and the flesh invades and rapes the mind. We never even knew that we ourselves were so wretched!

The way that God looks at this is that, if Adam and Eve had not fallen, they would have become the external parents connecting the blood lineage centering on the love of God, and the internal parent and external parent would have become the one physical ancestor of humankind living together with the absolute love of God. The time when love could have become one body, when it could have been engrafted, would have been the time of love on Adam and Eve's wedding night, when they became one body centering on God. And that is what was lost.

So in the end, God, who wanted to plant the seeds in the conjugal love that took place within human beings, had nowhere to plant His seeds, and He became a God of failure. Do you understand? Or not? [We understand!]

Is a woman born because she wants to be born? Is a man born because he wants to be born? If some really talented man just says "I chose to be born as a man, so I have no need of any woman," then that's the end for him; he'll just die. The further he goes, the deeper into hell he will go. Hell. Destruction. Those who do not like marriage will meet with destruction!

If you ask why God is in a miserable situation, the answer is that, although He is the great eternal emperor and king of love, and He wanted to become one body with the ancestors of humankind and love, He lost that position. No matter how much one admires and respects love by oneself, that is scarecrow love, a widow's love. So how miserable was God, when He lost the partner who possessed the heart of love?

The responsibility in God's family to become an ideal partner, to get the stamp of approval in the position of the master of love, and to bring about liberation, lay with Adam and Eve. However, they could not achieve this, and the result

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is that the responsibility remained: to create for God the position of the master who can love the couple, to make it so that He can freely have this position of the master of the couple, in love. That is what you need to know.

Everyone should understand that the first condition of the blessing of the Unification Church is to become the son and daughter of God eternally, and thus become His own blood relatives (family). This is done by establishing God in the position of the master who can love your couple, and this, in turn, is accomplished by fulfilling, in your own couple, the contents of the tradition that was lost, the tradition that enables you both to share love as the bride and bridegroom of God. Do you understand? [Yes.]

Who are the ones who must create this position of the master of love for God, this position that creates a blood lineage connection by which God can love both men and women? Only the sons and daughters can do this. But God lost His sons and daughters, so it was the True Parents who came and indemnified the master's position, who indemnified the fact that God was unable to become the owner of the love of the brides and grooms who could be married as God's sons and daughters. That's worth an "Amen"! You've got to get this straight!

And that is why all of you received the blessing and participated in the ceremony, in Father's presence, for the change of lineage. Through this, all those couples are the same as seeds with the same value as Father's couple. The same value! Even after a thousand or ten thousand years go by, the love of the parents for their children is the same, and the love of the children for their parents is the same. And to the same degree, the dissemination of the tradition of True Parents' love, which can become the seed of such a love tradition, has taken place in all the hundreds of millions of blessed families around the globe. Thus, it is the work of these blessed families to restore, in their own families and through their own couple, that qualification as the owners of love, so that the *han* that God experienced (in being unable to partake of the love between couples) can be resolved. That is the meaning of the conjugal relationship between the couples in the blessed families: to restore this, and by liberating God, establish the connection that allows God to dwell with their own family for eternity! [Amen!] (Applause)

Because God has dual characteristics, the process of going through one's own wife to give birth to a daughter or become pregnant with a son means that the value of the two offspring are the same, because the characteristics of the God of the future is divided and born as your offspring. This is true!

Together you have equal value and through your couple God can realize His love for the love between couples, and so God's situation where He could not love the baby within the womb is resolved through the babies born in our families. When things went wrong, God could not become the master of the son, the master of the daughter, the master of childhood,

the master of brothers, the master of puberty and adolescence, the master of marriage, the master of sons and daughters. This needs to be resolved. Then through my grandchild, God's grandchild can come into existence. God is the first generation and Adam and Eve were the second generation. But Satan took away the grandchildren that could have become the third generation, and all this needs to be restored by the indemnity conditions being completed through sons and daughters marrying and giving birth to children. When all this is achieved, then from that point God recognizes you as the second parents. It is the same parents' position in which Adam and Eve were loved. The same. The value is the same.

In this way, the process has to pass through three generations in order for that seed to be a complete seed for the future



thousands of generations. Only as the seed of three generations can God's grandchild receive the love of the grandfather and the love of the father. Because the love of the two generations is united and received together, the grandfather represents the spirit world and the second generation, which is Adam, represents the kingship of the world of material reality, and the grandchild is born while receiving the blood lineage of the love of the kings of these two realms. This allows that, in the future, the child will possess the value of a fruit that repre-

sents both the spirit world of the heavenly kingdom, and the earthly kingdom. Only by possessing this value can the third generation be capable of ruling the Kingdom of Heaven on earth in the son's age. From this third generation, ten thousand future generations become the fruit, and as they spread out, religions become unnecessary, and all people are able to enter Heaven simply by obeying their parents' guidance, becoming one with them and loving them. This is the original ideal form of creation, the original eight levels of love!

These things have to be restored back to God so that we can transcend the twelve pearl gates in the spirit world and the national borders in the physical world, so that human civilization can be digested as one unified family, and so that the gates of the realm of liberation both on earth and in heaven, namely, the gates of the unified heavenly palace, the Kingdom of Heaven on earth and in heaven, can open! [Amen!] (Applause)

There are eight stages: the period within the womb, childhood, adolescence, the marrying age, the age of having children, then the mother's age, the grandmother's age, and the age of being a king (queen). This is the source of God's *han*; He couldn't possess the foundation that is formed by a granite-solid model of the tradition of love. How can we resolve this *han* of God's, the *han* He experienced in being unable to become the master of the eight stages of love? True Parents found out all these secrets of the satanic world and the heavenly world and taught them and plugged them up... Great big holes had been smashed and poked in the eight stages. We changed all of Satan's doors, all of the archangel's doors

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and made doors that open only into Heaven. Do you understand? You can only get into Heaven through the door of the blood lineage.

We get into Heaven by the great path that results from plugging the holes that Satan made in the eight stages, and connecting the bloodline of God's love tradition, right? Those rascals that participated in the process of knocking the holes in the eight stages cannot get into Heaven. Do you understand? [Yes.]

Love is horizontal. A clan is horizontal. Blood lineage is eternal. So we follow a blood lineage and in that way form an ethnic group, isn't that so? You have to go through the blood lineage to form a family, a clan, a race, and a unified blood lineage... You can only become a family that goes to the heavenly world by going through God and the fundamental blood lineage, and by connecting these things. If the heavenly clan becomes connected on earth, it is only logical that it becomes the clan that can connect everything with the heavenly world, and inherit the heavenly world. Do you understand? Do you follow me? [Yes.]

Therefore, why do we get married? The half-piece that is a man meets with the half-piece that is a woman in order to become a whole-piece. God cannot do anything with a half-piece. And as much as that whole-piece is whole, God's *sung-sang* and *hyungsang* also become one and become part of that to create a relationship of love, with the result, the vertical love tradition...

That is why we have to have respect for our ancestors. We have to love that race. You have to become one with that people centering on kingship. The king who forgets the people is a swindler. He is a successor to the devil. Such a king makes national borders. You've got this straight, now, right? [Yes.]

The blessed families, should, centering on their own sons and daughters, restore everything to do with not becoming the masters of the eight stages of the love of God... The first-time son, the second-time son, the third-time son; even if this doesn't fix things, then you have to give birth to ten or even a

hundred sons or daughters. We have to align ourselves with that standard. Fallen people cannot do this with only one son or daughter!

So we have to complete the registration, even for the Unification Church. So what is "registration"? What did you say? The registration workshop? This is not family registration. Do you understand? It is not clan registration either. It is individual, the women's registration. The woman—Eve is the problem.

The woman is the problem, the crux. The woman took her flesh and united with Satan's lineage, formed a couple, gave birth to children and passed onto them that blood. We have to revolutionize, to overthrow that. Do you get it, you workshop folks? Do you trainees understand? [Yes.] It takes a revolution. We must have a revolution. Once you learn how to open the door of love, women, who are in the position of Eve, should pave the way for their families. You should acknowledge the true and absolute master of love... You are not the masters. You are not the roots. You are resultant beings; therefore, you should have absolute faith in, absolute love for and absolute obedience to the Causal Being. There is no other way for you. That is the only way to perfection. When you have your own ideas, it is like you are serving two masters. That is when destructive barriers are created within you.

Therefore, you should not create barriers on your way to realizing love. A woman cannot receive love alone. She can receive love from God when she embraces her sons and daughters. A woman should raise her children with her husband as her way of expressing gratitude for her husband's love. Only then can she belong to God.

Today, when women divorce, they say that their children are theirs but they do not need their husbands. But their husbands are the root of their children. Do women possess seeds? You women have to turn it all around. Do you understand? [Yes.] Because of these women, all the doors of love to God's eight stages were destroyed. Therefore, women have to do their best, pouring out their hearts to recreate their husbands



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and sons so that their families can be perfected before God as blessed families, and as masters of God's love in eight stages. So you should have no barriers on entering heaven's gates, the twelve pearl gates. You should be able to have the right of the kingship of love, enabling you to pass through anywhere without any inhibitions, all the levels from the individual, family, tribe, nation and world to the universe. Unless you are qualified sons and daughters who are completely united with God's blood lineage, you cannot be the people of the heavenly world. You should understand this clearly.

What is *Chil Pal Jeol*? What is today? The Cosmic Sabbath (realm of settlement) of the Parents of Heaven and Earth! There should be no more national borders, and you should all be heavenly masters so that you can have the settlement realm (realm of the Sabbath) within you. Those are the two conditions. Do you understand?

You should make God the Master of True Love and then you should make complete unity with God. That way, you can be liberated, and the Parents of Heaven and Earth can rest in the universe. I have mentioned about *An-Shik* (settlement), haven't I? "*An*" means comfortable. The Chinese character is made up of two Chinese characters, a house and a woman. A woman has to take care of her children. "*Shik*" means rest. This Chinese character is combination of two Chinese characters, freedom and mind. So where a woman can hold and love her baby, there is freedom for the baby and the mother and the husband. Everyone is free! Safe settlement is where everybody's mind is free and everybody rests comfortably! Amen!

So there are two things. What is the first thing? [Breaking down national boundaries!] Breaking down the national boundaries! What is the second? You should create the family of filial sons and daughters who make God the master of the eight stages of love. That is the ultimate desire of your couples and families.

So here today on *Chil Pal Jeol*, we understand the value of breaking down national boundaries, religious boundaries and boundaries between heaven and hell. The false parents created all the boundaries. Therefore, True Parents are the only

ones who can break down those boundaries. Not even God or Satan can do it. Do you understand? If you understand that only True Parents, with true love, can do the work that neither God or Satan can, you should also know that the amount of your love and respect for True Parents is directly connected to your love for God. You also have nothing to lose when you give, give, give and give love endlessly, the kind of love that will lead you to blessing and to the world of liberation! Let there be the realm of liberation of heaven and earth forever and ever in history! [Amen!] (Applause)

What is the first thing we should do? Break down barriers. Only when you truly know God, know the spirit world and know the content of true love—only then can you have eternal life. Those who have eternal life are those who live for others and who have no boundaries whatsoever. So do you understand? In order to be connected with the heavenly kingdom in the spirit world and to have a vertical connection with God, you should be the master of the eight stages of love centered on the blood lineage of true love. Both these external and internal tasks should be accomplished.

When we talk about a nation, we should talk about national law, don't you think? As in the physical world, there are nations and national laws in the spirit world. Therefore, you should be the people who live for others and be united with God, who is the master of love, in order to be liberated and free from all the national laws. You should be like the seed with heavenly authority. You should be the true pattern that can represent God on earth. That way, God is always with you. Then you do not even need to pray. Because God will come to you automatically without your even asking.

I hope that you will make a determination that will liberate you on this day of *Chil Pal Jeol*, and that you will remember what I told you in your deepest soul, and carve it into your flesh and bones. I trust that you will take my words and advice to heart. [Thank you.] (Applause) ♦

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If I had not come here and made a big bang by organizing a movement to advance the unification of South and North Korea and creating the environment to break down the wall between the two Koreas, what would have happened? This was very serious and that is why I pushed you urgently. I came here after I had finished all the work that needed to be done in the United States and South America. After the oceanic businesses, the return of the ocean, the return of the land, the return of the cosmos, now what? We have even reached the point of the return of the sexual organs, centered in heart upon the realm of the fourth Adam.

When you focus on love even more than God does, God can have the foundation to settle with you. You cannot exchange [that love] for anything or anybody, not even your

own life, your own wife, or the entire universe—not even for God. A husband going into his beloved wife's room is a solemn event. You have to shine more brightly than the sunlight in the middle of the day. This is the Unification Church philosophy.

You cannot be just carried away by the stream. You are responsible to climb up 'ägäinš' wäy' of the fall.

Now, what time is it? I have no strength in my stomach any more. It's time for lunch. Mother! Come out here. I have missed your face so I am asking you to come out. It is meaningful to be greeted together hand in hand in celebration of the first day of July! ♦

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Renewing the United Nations to Build Lasting Peace

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Father's main proposals in his speech at the Assembly 2000 awards banquet are recorded here. The full text of the speech can be found at <http://www.unification.net/2000/20000818.html> and elsewhere.

ALTHOUGH secular authorities rule most human societies, religion lies at the heart of most national and cultural identities. In fact, religious faith and devotion have far greater importance in most peoples' hearts than do political loyalties.

The time has come for religion to renew itself and manifest true leadership in the world. People of faith should feel responsibility for the plight, suffering and injustices experienced by the world's peoples. Religious people have not been good examples in the practice of love and living for the sake of others, and for this reason should engage in deep self-reflection. It is time for religious people to repent for their preoccupation with individual salvation and narrow denominational interests. Such practices have prevented religious bodies from giving their utmost to the cause of world salvation. Our age, more than any other, demands that we go beyond our faiths, and the interests of particular religions, and put our love and ideals into practice for the sake of the world.

In particular, God calls upon us leaders-especially religious leaders-in hope that we will stand against the injustices and evils of the world, and bestow His true love upon the world. Hence, all people of faith must become one in heart in order to give full expression, both in words and actions, to God's passionate desire for humanity's restoration and peace.

The existing United Nations structure, composed of national representatives, may be regarded as a congress where the interests of each member nation are represented. However, I submit that serious consideration should be given to forming a religious assembly, or council of religious representatives within the structure of the United Nations. This assembly or council would consist of respected spiritual leaders in fields such as religion, culture, and education. Of course, the members of this interreligious assembly will need to have demonstrated an ability to transcend the limited interests of individual nations and to speak for the concerns of the entire world and humanity at large.

I propose today that the United Nations and religious leaders join their hearts and work to create peace zones in areas of conflict. Whether the disputed borders pass through rivers, mountains, fields, or the sea, we can create buffer zones or peace zones along these borders.

These zones would be governed directly by the United Nations. People from around the world dedicated to the

establishment of peace would be allowed to settle in these zones. The United Nations would be responsible to provide guidance to those living in these areas so that they come to embody the founding ideals of the United Nations and comply with its declarations for peace. These peace zones would be havens that exist for the sake of peace, prosperity, and reconciliation. They would be free of racial and sexual discrimination, human rights violations, and war. These areas would also be ecological and environmental havens for the entire natural world.



I propose that each nation, in addition to its current ambassador, send a religious ambassador to the United Nations to serve as a member of the religious assembly, or U.N. senate.

The mission of the representatives to this U.N. senate would require that they have a genuinely ecumenical or interreligious consciousness and that they have the training and ability to teach a universal, trans-national ideal of peace. The nature of their purpose and mission would prohibit their promoting the narrow interests of a particular country. Rather, they would carry out their duties for the ideal of peace in the world and for the sake of all humanity in accordance with God's Will.

The interreligious ambassador appointed as a member of the United Nations senate or council should have a global consciousness and take responsibility to represent the United Nations' global vision and agenda. In this sense, these persons could be thought of as global ambassadors from the United Nations. Wherever they go in the world, these ambassadors would promote movements dedicated to the realization of peace and social welfare. Moreover, in all nations, they would serve as conscientious guardians of lofty ideals such as justice, security, and peace.

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I propose that the United Nations establish an official commemorative day to uphold the ideal of the family, so that the world can remember and celebrate this day every year.

Specifically, I propose that True Parents' Day be established as a day of global celebration...Each year, in America, model parents and families from throughout the nation are honored. By celebrating such a day each year, transcending barriers of race, religion and cultural differences, and loving and cherishing each other, we will be able to fully experience our true and common human roots, and understand the preciousness of true families. This day will be a special day of truly global commemoration, and a beginning of the celebration of the oneness of the world as one global family, leading us beyond all confrontation and strife.◆

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FROM August 17th to 20th, 2000, with

sessions at the United Nations Headquarters as well as at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel, in New York, the Interreligious and International Federation for World Peace convened Assembly 2000, bringing together more than four hundred prominent leaders from a range of fields of expertise—including former heads of state and government, United Nations ambassadors, religious leaders, scholars and representatives of a wide range of non-governmental organizations—to discuss the theme, “Renewing the United Nations and Building a Culture of Peace.” Chaired by Ambassador Makarim Wibisono, permanent representative of the Mission of Indonesia to the United Nations, and president of the UN’s Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC). Three missions to the United Nations cosponsored Assembly 2000: Uganda, Mongolia, and Indonesia.

The conference theme was selected so that the speakers and delegates could reflect on the ways in which the United Nations might be renewed. This theme of United Nations renewal had been advanced by Secretary General Kofi Annan in his recent “We the Peoples” statement. In addition, the UN proclaimed the year 2000 as the “International Year for a Culture of Peace.”

At the time of the Seoul Olympics in 1988, when Father announced plans for the establishment of the World Culture and Sports Festival, he stated that the WCSF should promote the building of “a new culture of peace.”

The idea of a culture of peace carries the meaning that peace has its foundation on the internal dimensions of human experience; that is, it is built on the foundation of individual moral character, family life, patterns of social relationships, religious beliefs and practices, and so forth. Peace cannot be secured merely by law or through peace agreements or peacekeeping forces. In order to establish world peace, there must be a new consciousness, and a

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Father and Mother with the presenters of the peace award, at the UN on August 18

new vision for a global culture. The IIFWP is in full agreement with the United Nations on this point.

The Opening Plenary for Assembly 2000 featured a number of very distinguished speakers, including H.E. Oscar Arias, former president of Costa Rica and Nobel Peace Prize Laureate; Sir Edward Heath, former prime minister of Great Britain; Sen. Robert Dole, former US senate majority leader; H.E. Kenneth Kaunda, former president of Zambia; Rev. Chung Hwan Kwak, chairman of IIFWP; Mr. Taj Hamad, director of the Office of UN Relations for IIFWP; Amb. Semakula Kiwanuka, permanent representative of Uganda to the UN; Amb. Yuli Vorontsive, former USSR ambassador to the UN and current under secretary at the UN; Amb. Anawarul Choudhury, permanent representative from the Mission of Bangladesh to the UN.

The highlight of the Opening Plenary, however, were the speeches delivered by the Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, our True Parents.

After a fine introduction by President Kaunda, Mother spoke briefly on the work of the FFWPU, the WFWP, the IRFF and the importance of women and family. Father’s speech was the keynote of the session at the United Nations.

In his speech he articulated the vision of the IIFWP and proceeded to outline a series of very specific and concrete proposals for bringing peace to the world and for revitalizing the United Nations. These included proposals for: a) establishment of a council or senate of religious leaders at the United Nations, with a member of this council appointed by each member state as its religious or spiritual representative; b) the establishment of peace zones on the borders between states locked in conflict (Father recommended that such a peace zone be established at the DMZ standing between South and North Korea) c) the establishment of an international “True Parents Day” endorsed by the United Nations and celebrated each year.

These proposals were widely

ASSEMBLY 2000 SESSION THEMES AND SPEAKERS:

1. *Renewal of the United Nations: Opportunities, Obstacles and Options*

Speakers; Dr. Thomas Ward, University of Bridgeport, Hon. Richard Thornburgh, former UN Under Secretary; Dr. Bruce Russett, Dean Acheson Chair of UN Studies at Yale

2. *International Organizations and the United Nations*

Speakers: Dr. Gordon Anderson, PWPA, Dr. Douglas Bandow, CATO Institute, Dr. Thomas Weiss, City University of New York, Dr. Wally N'Dow, Convening Chair, State of the World Forum

3. *The Moral, Social and Global Significance of the Family*

Speakers: Dr. Thomas Walsh, IIFWP, Mr Don Eberly, National Fatherhood Initiative, Ms. Maggie Gallagher, columnist and author, Amb. Semakula Kiwanuka, Ugandan Ambassador to the UN

4. *The United Nations and Freedom from Poverty*

Speakers: Mr. Antonio Betancourt, Summit Council for World Peace, Dr. Norman Bailey, Economic Advisor to the Reagan Administration, Dr. Gary Quinlaiven, Center for Economic and Policy Education, Rev. Dr. Walter Fauntroy, New Bethel Baptist Church

5. *Ideology and Religion in Issues of Conflict Resolution*

Speakers: Dr. Cheryl Lau, Harvard School of Government, Amb. Yuli Vorontsov, Under Secretary at the UN, Dr. Frank Kaufmann, Inter-religious and International Federation for World Peace, Dr. Douglas Johnston, Center for Religion and Diplomacy

6. *The Environment in the Age of Globalization: Partnerships for Sustainability*

Speakers, Dr. Noel Brown, Friends of the UN, Ms. Hilary French, Worldwatch Institute, Dr. David Randle, Wellness Health and Lifestyle Center



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Dr. Noel Brown
(Friends of UN)

acclaimed as insightful and worthy of implementation. Dr. Noel Brown, President of Friends of the United Nations, applauded Father's initiatives and expressed that immediate steps should be taken to see them realized. H.E. Mario Echandi, former president of Costa Rica, welcomed the idea of having religious representatives, along with representatives from other fields such as philosophy and the arts, at the UN. The idea of the peace zones was praised as "imaginative and bold" by former British prime minister Sir Edward Heath, and by former Columbian prime minister Dr. Rodrigo Escobar as a possible solution to problems besieging his own country.

On the evening of August 18, in the Delegates Dining Room at the United Nations, an Awards Banquet was held. At this time an organization comprised of several UN non-governmental organizations, recently formed under the name of the World Association of United Nations Non-Governmental Organizations, presented Father and Mother with the first Universal Peace Award. Prior to the presentation of the award, there was entertainment featuring Mr. David Eaton, Mr. Kevin Pickard and "Mzuri," after which a video was shown reviewing some of the achievements of the award recipients. Following this, Dr. Neil Salonen, Dr. Noel Brown and then Dr. Nicholas

Kittrie presented moving and eloquent accounts of True Parents' accomplishments. The awards were then presented to Father and Mother individually. Joining Dr. Kittrie and Dr. Brown in the presentation of awards were H.E. Kenneth Kaunda, former president of Zambia, H.E. Rodrigo Carazo, former President of Costa Rica, Mrs. Mohini Giri, Dr. Cheryl Lau, and Hon. Betty Okwir of Uganda. Upon receiving his award, Father delivered a profound speech on the need to break down the barriers that stand between peoples and nations. It was a beautiful and historic evening at the United Nations, as the delegates dined overlooking the East River.

Assembly 2000 officially closed at a luncheon at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel on the following day, August 19. A series of follow-up sessions designed for IIFWP delegates and focused on examining the founding vision and ideals of the IIFWP as expressed through the words of its founder, Reverend Moon, followed the closing ceremony in the afternoon.

Also, on the evening of August 19, True Parents invited all the international participants to their home at East Garden for a final banquet. On this occasion, Father spoke on the meaning of true love. True Parents also presented each guest with a beautiful watch. In addition Hyun Jin Nim and Kook Jin Nim spoke. Hyung Jin Nim sang "La

Bamba," and both Father and Mother sang, which made everyone begin dancing together. Several participants came forward to offer gifts to True Parents and to try to have a picture taken with them. The spirit was euphoric. No one wanted to leave. Father even got on the busses to shake hands with participants and wish them a safe journey. On the busses returning to New York City everyone was joyful.

An Executive Summary of the proceedings of Assembly 2000 was immediately prepared by Dr. Mark Barry after the conference, and was quickly followed by publication of the entire proceedings, edited by Dr. Andrew Wilson and Dr. Theodore Shimmyo. These publications are being distributed around the world and particularly to the UN community, which is hosting the Millennium Summit and General Assembly in early September. In addition to the circulation of conference reports and proceedings, there was active media coverage of Assembly 2000.

Assembly 2000 was an unqualified and stunning success, far exceeding anyone's expectations, especially given that it was brought into being in a matter of weeks. A team effort of heroic proportions made all things magically fall in place, and thanks are due to each and everyone who contributed.◆

The World Association of UN NGOs consists mainly of organizations originally founded by True Parents. It will develop and expand in order to facilitate the mutual cooperation and empowerment of UN NGOs sharing a common commitment to working with the UN for the realization of world peace. The Universal Peace Prize will be awarded annually.

“Be Bold and Courageous”

Hyun Jin Nim visits Moldova

Ronald Koonce

Chisinau, Moldova

IN the opening remarks of his speech entitled “Inheritance and Development,” given in the Republic of Moldova’s capital city of Chisinau, Hyun Jin Nim asked us, “Are you ready for a whirlwind?” We were not quite sure whether we were truly ready, but the storm winds were blowing stronger as Hyun Jin Nim brought the high-pressure and low-pressure fronts together on August 2nd, speaking to an overflow crowd of five hundred members and guests.

When we researched Hyun Jin Nim’s speeches to prepare for his visit we were amazed by his impressive accomplishments and at the same time, we could recognize his most outstanding characteristic, that of filial piety to True Parents. In our hearts and minds echoed his plea to bring together the first and second generations as we enter the settlement era and to leave behind the baggage of the past wilderness period.

Here in Moldova, the average member is twenty years old so we do not have a generation of blessed children yet. But there is an obvious difference between the older generation who grew up under communism when Moldova was part of the Soviet Union, and the new Moldovans, who have freedoms their elders never dreamed of. So the WFWP and CARP organizations made extra effort to work together to create a mother-son type cooperation that would mirror Hyun Jin Nim’s determination to inherit all the efforts of True Parents’ years of sacrifice. I believe this was the key to our success. Frankly speaking, in the past our unity had been superficial at best.

The WFWP is led by two Japanese missionaries who spent part of the year in Moldova sharing True Parents’ words through their outreach to responsible ladies in Moldovan society. They have touched many influential ladies with True Parents’ vision for World Peace, which still strikes a responsive chord in the hearts of those that were raised under Marxist-Leninist internationalism. A powerful group of such ladies sat in the back of the Eminescu Theater thoroughly over-



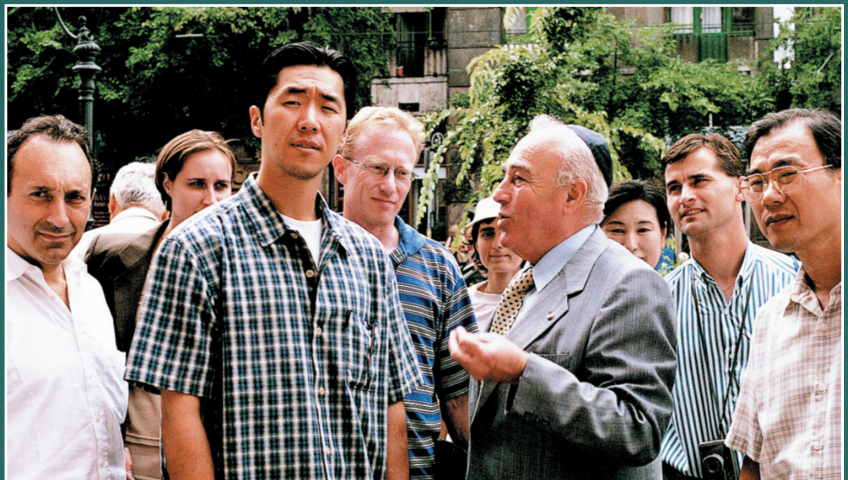
whelmed by Hyun Jin Nim’s message and re-determining themselves to bring the Pure Love message to the young people they lead everyday in various institutions. The rest of the theater was packed with a throng of excited young people and students. They had been invited by witnessing teams who brought new potential members and also recontacted all guests who had heard Principle lectures during the past eighteen months.

Hyun Jin Nim spoke with power and authority, which really inspired hope in our members, who are not accustomed to expressing themselves so forcefully. When Hyun Jin Nim removed his jacket in the waiting room his shirt was soaked in sweat. I felt sorry that Hyun Jin Nim had worked so hard on our behalf, but sure that his efforts would not be wasted. He was here for a period of less than twenty hours. On his arrival, he spoke first to groups of members, then in the morning at *hoon dok hae*, and again at breakfast. He spoke to and performed for over five hundred at the venue, guided leaders over lunch and still managed to squeeze in a brief tour of Chisinau.

As a result, mothers have a burning heart to pass their highest values on to the next generation, and the young generation, having limitless energy, are more confident to carry the banner of pure love to the whole nation. Hyun Jin Nim’s visit galvanized our commitment to begin the Heavenly Kingdom here by keeping in step with our elder brother—who seems the very embodiment of God’s command to Joshua.◆

Ronald Koonce is the Abel-nation national messiah to Moldova, where he lives with his wife Idalina and their daughter.

Photos below, left to right: Hyun Jin Nim speaking in elegant surroundings in the Moldovan capital; In Budapest, meeting Rabbi Erno Lazarovits, director of foreign relations for the Federation of Hungarian Jewish Communities; Momentary respite from the challenging schedule; The healthy glow of exercise...a hike with members near Schmitten in Germany





Moscow, July 28-31

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Jacques Marion, Thomas Phillips & Robert Beebe (IEF)

EARLY this year True Father initiated a unique series of conferences for delegations of professors and students from China, Russia and the United States. These were to be *hoon dok hae* conferences with a special focus on character education, purity of love, marriage and family. The first was held at the University of Bridgeport at the beginning of June with further conferences occurring later in the summer in Beijing (July 16-21), Moscow (July 28-31) and Seoul (August 10-15) [where there were also participants from Korea and Japan].

Beijing

After a successful event in Bridgeport, the next conference took place in Beijing. In order to organize such a

large conference in China, several levels of official permissions have to be obtained. The process normally requires a minimum of several months. When hundreds of foreign guests are invited, together with hundreds of Chinese students, authorizations are even more complicated to obtain. We had only one month to prepare everything.

Our first task was to find a Chinese cosponsoring organization willing to take responsibility for such a meeting, and to obtain the permits in record time.

One influential organization the International Educational Foundation (IEF) has been working with in China over the past six years is the China International Culture Exchange Center (CICEC). We have cosponsored several conferences for educators and experts in law.

We presented our Beijing conference

project to Mrs. Lu Hongsheng, CICEC vice-secretary general. She told us, "It is normally impossible in China to organize an international program of this size in such a short time. But based on our past experiences and our trust towards IEF, we agree to cosponsor this project." She asked us to start preparing and sending invitations, but warned us that she had to request permits she was not sure to obtain. One week later, the project was approved at the level of the Ministry of Culture, under which CICEC operates.

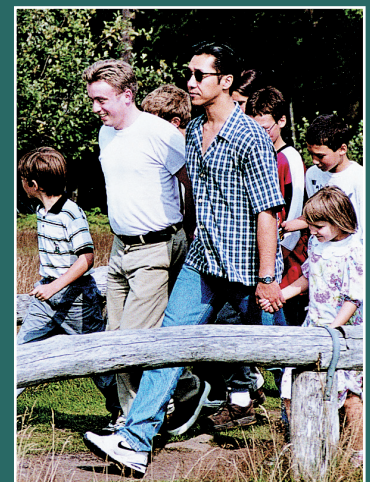
We found a great place to hold the conference: the newly built State Institute of Administration, where government officials receive training. It has a large hall with over a thousand seats and hotel-quality rooms for over six hundred foreign guests. Less than a

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THE STRUCTURE OF THE CONFERENCES

Each of the conferences had five main sessions with the following themes: Youth's Search for Lasting Love, Character and Marriage, Building Healthy Marriages and Families, The Priority of Character and the Family as the School of Love. The sessions began with a fifteen-minute reading of Father's

words by a student from one of the participating countries. This was followed by two short presentations on the same topic by prominent participant scholars. Then came some minutes of questions and answers. Each session ended with small group discussions followed by reports to the entire group.



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TRUE PARENTS SUPPORT THE RENEWAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS



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Photos: top, *The Opening Plenary at the UN Headquarters conference room*; left inset, *Mother giving her speech*; right inset, *Father and Senator Dole greet each other*; middle left, *Father speaks at the Opening Plenary*, and, right, *at the Awards banquet*; bottom left, *the award presentation*; right, *seminar participants ask questions from the floor*

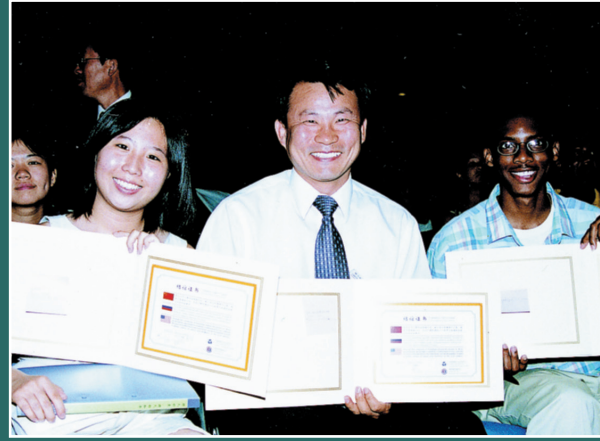
ATIONS...AND WARMLY WELCOME GUESTS TO THEIR HOME



Photos: above, Father and Mother are host and hostess for the final banquet of Assembly 2000, held on the evening of August 19th at East Garden; above right, Father 's speech, *Breaking Down Boundaries and World Peace*, in which he said, "If you love your enemies, transcending anger and hatred even in situations where they kill the ones you love...you shall have dominion over the world of enemies."; middle left, Welcoming guests to East Garden; middle right, Father and Rev. Kwak provide some dance music



Bottom left, Father and Mother don ceremonial robes presented to them by religious leaders who came as guests of True Parents; middle, Kook Jin Nim shares some thoughts with the guests; right, Hyung Jin Nim opens the entertainment with his favorite song



CONTINUED FROM PAGE 17...**LASTING LOVE** week before the conference, however, we were told that the government needed this hall on the same dates as the conference.

At this point, CICEC strongly desired to cancel the conference. They considered it impossible to find a new place and obtain the police authorization in such a short time. Dr. Seuk responded that canceling was not even an option to consider. Over six hundred guests from America and Russia were planning to come and had booked tickets. We had to welcome them at all costs.

We then experienced a most intense, nerve-racking four days trying to find a proper hall, the proper police permits, and enough rooms in nearby hotels (at the peak of the tourist season) before the first group of foreign participants arrived. On July 16th, six hundred students and educators arrived from the United States and Russia. We had hotels—but still no hall.

First, we organized two days of cultural programs for them, visiting historical sites in and around Beijing. Despite the very hot weather, they were delighted to have the chance to visit such places as the Forbidden City and the Great Wall. In the evenings, national groups in the different hotels organized meetings. Finally, at noon on the day before the lectures themselves, we received permission to hold our conference at the Beijing International Convention Center.

From China, 400 students and educators from 12 cities attended the conference. The hall had over 1000 participants seated with many students helping as staff. The theme of the conference was "Lasting Love, Lasting Peace: Exploring Character Development and Family Culture in the 21st Century".

The leaders of the three cosponsoring organizations: Mrs. Lu Hongsheng

(CICEC), Dr. Joon Ho Seuk (IEF) and Dr. Chang Shik Yang (FFWPU-North America) began the conference with opening addresses. They were followed with greetings from representative VIPs of the three nations.

Following the format of the Bridgeport conference, five sessions were held in the two days, each beginning with a *hoon dok hae* presentation. Because of Chinese authorities' concern about foreigners teaching ideology, it had been agreed that the lecturers would use IEF slides, with which the authorities were familiar, to illustrate the *hoon dok hae* material. One thing that our Chinese cosponsors expected and feared was that such a large group of international students would naturally and quickly get out control. Yet all went very smoothly, with everyone actively participating in all activities.

In the afternoon, we all joined together in a Friendship Ceremony, in which representatives from the three countries came on the stage and, as trinities of one Chinese, one American and one Russian, greeted and embraced each other to the applause of participants. The rest of the audience was seated in groups of three—one from each nation. Participants in each group signed and exchanged friendship certificates, on which was written a pledge to "establish a lasting bond of love, cultivate the heart of brotherhood and sisterhood, and work together to build a global culture of peace and harmony in the 21st century."

Then there was

entertainment. The first part was a solemn, beautiful performance of traditional music and dance by professional Chinese artists. Later the atmosphere became lighter and more friendly as participants from each country shared songs and skits to the great pleasure of their colleagues. The program ended with everyone singing "We are the World." Gradually, the stage filled up with participants, including the leaders, holding hands and singing the refrain over and over. Throughout the room we could see people from different nations and races embracing each other and shedding tears. The Beijing conference had started with a lot of anxiety due to a very intense preparation time, but it ended with deep emotion and a sense of international bonding shared by all participants.

The day ended at a famous Peking Duck restaurant downtown where foreign participants could taste a bit more of Chinese culture.

Moscow



Photos: this page top (Beijing), left, students and guests are welcomed by a receiving line; middle, students with their commemorative certificates of attendance; right, traditional Chinese dance; Facing page top (Moscow), left, Lasting Sisterhood; middle, a traditional dancer flies past the banner; right, Professor Mikhail Kabattchenko, one of the principal speakers; bottom left, a student presenter; right, Dr. Joon Ho Seuk, President of IEF



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Father's words touched the hearts of all participants and allowed us to find common ground transcending nationality, race or ideology. The universality of Father's message was in evidence. It became the bridge over which the hopes and desires of participants of all three nations could connect with one another. Whatever the cultural distinctions, we forgot them in our discussions of such universal concerns as true love, values and family.

The presentations following the readings were varied in their perspective and style of delivery. Many participants found the Russian presenters emotionally-charged yet rigorous in their approach to the topic at hand. Prof. Igor Bestuzhev-Lada of the Academy of Science spoke poignantly about love in its various forms and how sometimes people are deceived by their feelings. Prof. Boris Titov of St. Petersburg State University of Culture and Art, speaking on "The Way of Family Spirituality," gave the students in the audience some practical advice on finding happiness and success in their future marriages. From China, Dr. Sun Xue Ce, director of the Oriental Education Center, said that attaining a noble character is the first aim in life and an important foundation to achieving a stable and loving marriage. Ms. Pamela Mullarkey, president of Project S.O.S. in the United States, in a lively and interactive presentation complete with props and visual aids, spoke on the importance of preparing oneself



for marriage with a special emphasis on sexual purity as an essential ingredient to building good character.

One of the highlights of the conference for many was the appearance of Hyun Jin Moon, president of World CARP, vice-president of the FFWPU and third son of our True Parents. Speaking on the topic "Establishing a True Family Culture," Hyun Jin Nim quickly established a rapport with the participants. With a maturity beyond his 31 years and as a husband and father, he spoke with authority on the critical importance of family values as a foundation for a healthy and prosperous culture. He decried the cynicism of young people today and challenged us to strive for high ideals both in our personal lives and for the societies in which we live. He told us that the most valuable knowledge is gained not through books or the Internet but through our experiences in relationships with others, starting with the family. He called upon us to seek the possibilities of the new century and to shed the baggage of the past. Encouraging us as future leaders, he said that we held in our hands the power to shape a new world.

This, the third conference took place at the Sovincenter in Moscow, site of the 11th World Media Conference in April 1990 during which the historic meeting took place in the Kremlin between True Father and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev. The intervening ten years have seen many dramatic changes, beginning with the collapse of the Soviet Union, its replacement by the loose Commonwealth of Independent States, the beginnings of democracy and of a free market economic system. Today there is an atmosphere of freedom and individual expression in Moscow that could not be seen ten years ago. However, many of the hopes and promises of the early 90s have yet to materialize.

The past decade has been a turbulent one for Russia as it strives to find its place in the world.

Against this backdrop, the Moscow conference convened under the theme "Exploring the Ideals of True Love and World Peace: Pure Love Education and Family Culture in the 21st Century." Seven hundred participants came from Russia, 350 from America and 355 from China. Overall, a quarter were professors or other adult professionals, the rest were students.

In his opening remarks, Mikhail Kabattchenko, president of Teachers for Peace and Understanding, the Russian cosponsor of the conference, had strongly testified to True Parents' efforts to bring peace to the world through their myriad projects. A high-ranking official in the Soviet Ministry of Education and at UNESCO in the 1970s and 1980s, Prof. Kabattchenko said later that just before coming up to speak he received the inspiration to speak clearly in support of Dr. Moon because he had been so misrepresented during the Soviet period.

These conferences offered a special opportunity for representatives of the three main countries that were enemies during the Cold War period to come together in a spirit of harmony and brotherhood. It seemed fitting that, while an ideological divide between left and right seemed to split the world in two in the second half of the 20th century, the 21st century begin with these conferences, demonstrating that this divided and hostile world is indeed forever behind us.

This was especially significant when the conference came to Korea, still divided after fifty years. ♦

[Please see following pages]

Participants from Former Enemy Nations Champion Lasting Love

Healing the Wounds of History

THE students from five nations that gathered in Korea for the symposium aimed “toward the realization of a culture of peace and true families” were not the first young people to invest themselves here in the pursuit of peace. Fifty years ago, another group of mainly young people gathered in Korea with the desire and will to surmount the barriers to a unified Korea and peaceful world. These were the soldiers of the two Koreas, those from China, and from twenty-one nations (including those that sent medical medical units) who responded to the United Nations call for a response to North Korean invasion of the South. And the only method available to these young people, though it was not the method they would have chosen as individuals, was war.

Today, in contrast, the method was presentations, discussion, and brotherhood & sisterhood ceremonies. Through healing the residual results of war both ideologically and practically—and the reunification of Korea was an avowed priority in this task—the participants reaffirmed the attainability of global peace. Fifty years ago, such channels were unavailable and the encounter those young soldiers had was the kind human beings were never created to experience.

We were informed that Father has expressed heartfelt appreciation for the soldiers from the sixteen nations who fought in response to the UN’s resolution to oppose communist aggression. Sixty veterans of the war representing thirteen of those nations attended the symposium at Father’s invitation.

Amid visiting the important memorials to the war that have been established here in Korea, the veterans spent one full day at Cheong Pyeong where they participated in the symposium’s schedule. There, they witnessed professors, students and presenters from the nations that had fought each other so cruelly on that very same soil (and for decades afterwards in the Cold War) embrace each other spiritually and physically and affirm a course to peace.

At the welcoming banquet for the veterans, Dr. Bo Hi Pak, himself a veteran of the Korean conflict’s front line, shared his appreciation for the foreign intervention. He told of how he was sent to the front line of battle after just a few weeks of training at the military academy. The advent of war meant he was sent into battle having previously fired a total of eight rounds of ammunition. Due to the disruption, Dr. Pak did not receive his graduation plaque until 46 years later!

In the evening of their day at the symposium, which included the chance to hear Father speak, Father personally invited the veterans to a special banquet also attended by

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Rev. Chung Hwan Kwak
International President
of IIFWP



Dr. Jae Kyu Park
Minister of the National
Board of Unification



Mr. Eiji Tokono
President of CARP
in Japan



Rev. Wally Jordan
St. Mark’s Methodist
Church in the USA



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Photos: facing page, the symposium's Opening Ceremony at the Little Angels Performing Arts Center in Seoul; this page top, Father and Mother greet the large crowd of students assembled in the main auditorium at Cheong Pyeong Heaven and Earth Training Center; middle, Hyun Jin Nim speaks to the students; insets, an American lady professor and a Russian student, two among many presenters; lower middle left, All participants gather at the Tree of Love for a commemorative photo; right, a group discussion; bottom left, the international "Cultural Performance for World Peace and Unity" included brotherhood and sisterhood ceremonies; right, representatives of the participating nations exchange keepsakes



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dignitaries and senior educators who had come from Russia, China, Japan and the United States. Father and Mother felt such a closeness with these men that they took photos with each nation's group. And despite my concerns that some of them might feel uncomfortable to receive so much personal attention from the Reverend Sun Myung Moon with virtually no advance notice (the invitation to meet Father had come after their arrival in Korea), quite to the contrary they expressed genuine appreciation to Father for having dedicated organizations to the solving of historical enmity, and for his having invited them to personally observe their operation.

Although they had suspended all aspects of normal life to pass through a furnace of fear and horrific violence, the veterans had retained—or perhaps grown—an extraordinary humanity and depth of heart. They were moved to see that their suffering here a half century ago had not been without purpose or good result, and wanted to express this to young families they met. Their presence at the symposium was itself a powerful message, and when they spoke it came from deep within their hearts.

We noticed, too, how they observed with compassion and sometimes amusement our efforts to overcome the obstacles we faced in organizing the event—and recognized that their long life experience, not least their experience of life in the military, meant they understood our own feelings of embattlement. "I know what it's like. You're doing fine!" they would say to encourage us. And they cheerfully responded to the rigorous demands of the schedule, maintaining the discipline of their training of years before.

Although advancing in age, many of them retain a youthful idealism that deserves its reward. It was as if God wished to give these men the gift of hope through their encounter with Father and the movement's work to help seal a lasting peace in Korea and beyond. Like Father, the veterans have seen the depths of devastation and suffering in Korea. Like Father, their lives are caught up in the cause of healing the wounds of history. ♦

"If anyone had told me, even two years ago, that students from these five nations would convene in such numbers for the purpose of furthering peace among their respective nations, I simply would not have believed it."

—New Zealand veteran

A TOAST TO WORLD PEACE

Dr. Bo Hi Pak, Rev. Sun Jo Hwang, Korean-American representatives, fellow veterans, ladies and gentlemen.

My name is Victor Lowe. I am president of the Korean War Veterans Association, New South Wales, Australia with in excess of five hundred Korean War Veteran members. I arrived in Korea in September 1950 as a member of Third Royal Artillery Regiment. I came to the Republic of Korea to support the vision and charter of the fledgling United Nations. The men who arrived here with me were mostly veterans of World War II who felt that the only chance of world peace lay with the UN which had pledged that we would come to the assistance of any country that desired democracy and was in peril from aggressors. That was the dream then, fifty years ago, and that is the dream today, in the year 2000.

But to add support to this dream an additional impetus has been added—namely the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification. We gather here tonight to support this initiative. We come from the far corners of the world as we did fifty years ago, young men then, not so very young now, but still able to dream of world peace. How fitting that again it is in this wonderful country, the Republic of Korea, which has emerged from the ashes of war, that we gather to support the vision and sacrifice of world peace. I was 23 years old in 1950. I am now 73 and my whole-hearted dream before I leave this world is to see the unification of the two Koreas and indeed all countries that have been divided brother against brother around the world.

Gentlemen, I would ask that you be upstanding and drink with me a toast to the dream of world unification.

IMPRESSIONS

I found a tranquility deep in my heart that I have not known for many years. On the return journey to the hotel, although in a state of complete exhaustion, I was deep in thought on the hope that I felt—that this marvelous concept of peace and unification had been given a heart, manifested in the faces of young and old who attended.

My desire was to know and learn more, a yearning to express to these fine young people my experiences of the horror and futility of the two wars (World War II and the Korean War) that have devoured the warrior and instilled in my heart and soul a man of peace. And the hope, that my faith in God, which I have forsaken for many years (as a result of the horrors of war), can revisit my life again.

—Australian veteran

As the father of eight children as well as a Korean War veteran and U.S. citizen, I'm deeply concerned about society's moral decay and decline of the family. It seems the only way change can be accomplished is through education of the people, emphasizing character development and improvement. Then the people will elect leaders of good character who value life and the family. Unification and peace will follow.

Rev. Moon is pioneering a desperately needed education movement on a massive, worldwide scale, thereby doing the greatest good.

—American veteran





On October 14, 1950, Father was liberated from Hung Nam prison by the UN forces that helped save South Korea in its most desperate hour. Fifty years later, Father wanted to give something special to those who had risked their lives for freedom.



Photos: top left, Father shakes hands with Harley Coon, president of the US Korean War Veterans Association. Mr. Coon was in a North Korean prisoner of war camp for nearly three years from November 1950 until the armistice; top right, True Parents take a photograph with the Dutch war veterans; middle left, veterans are introduced at the welcoming banquet; right, Dr. Bo Hi Pak shows his military academy graduation plaque during his speech; General Florencio Magsino presents a resolution to be sent to the UN; bottom left, Veterans sign the visitors book at the National Cemetery; right, at the Rally for World Peace at Imjin Gak

In His Own Words: David Sang Chul Kim

TESTIMONY FROM A 36-COUPLE PIONEER MISSIONARY (PART 2)

In Part 1, Rev. David Kim explained about his childhood, school days, marriage and family, and how he, a young, rising public servant, came to join our church in 1954.

The overseas missions begin

Not long after the founding of HSA-UWC in Korea, I was selected by the Korean government to study in Britain for two years as a UN scholar, along with other under-developed nations' representatives at Swansea College, University of Wales. Externally I was a UN scholar, but internally I had a mission to spread True Father's message to Christians overseas and around the world.

While I was in Wales I never neglected my heavenly mission and duty. Whenever I had spare time, I visited many churches and small groups to look for people, and spoke many times at churches as a guest speaker. On those occasions I would introduce our Korean group and preach based on the contents of Divine Principle, which was available only as handwritten notes exchanged among the early members. Near the end of my stay in England, I succeeded in contacting a conservative Christian organization called the Apostolic Church International, which was holding a World Convention in South Wales at that time. I was allowed to speak for 30 minutes, appealing to 3,000 participants at the World Convention about the situation of Teacher Sun Myung Moon, our movement and the Korean government persecution.

In 1956, the Apostolic Church International's Australian mission headquarters sent one Pastor Joshua McCabe to our group in Seoul, Korea. He studied the Principle for eighty days and helped with Professor Young Oon Kim's English translation of *Divine Principle*. Seven hundred copies were completed and distributed throughout the world even before the Korean edition was published. Mrs. Won Pok Choi, Miss Kim and I, as a trinity, worked together to teach the depth of Divine Principle and take care of Pastor McCabe as a special guest of the church. Except for the Second Coming in human form, he accepted most of the contents of Divine Principle, had spiritual experiences and

went back to Australia inspired. However, the Board of Mission Headquarters failed to carry out the original plan to set up a mission in Seoul to help our movement at that time. Thus, the dispensational plan for the British Empire as the Eve nation failed. Therefore, in 1959, Father had to send both Miss Kim and myself to the Western world, America, and spread our message here.

I was already experienced in special missions and I had also been among the so-called elite class of Korean society since the Japanese colonial days and an official in the Korean government since 1945. I was thus widely experienced and highly educated. There were not many highly educated and socially experienced members in our movement in the



Following Principle lectures, Rev. Kim has lunch with early American members and guests (Seattle, 1963)

1950s and early 1960s. In January 1959, Miss Kim was sent to America as a student. I myself arrived in Portland in the state of Oregon, on September 18, 1959.

At that time, Koreans were only allowed to come to America on a student visa. I processed Miss Kim's passport when I was working in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Seoul. Father chose Miss Kim because she was well qualified to be one of the pioneer missionaries to America. She had been a professor of Christian Theology and Social Welfare Services at Ewha Woman's University. She arrived on January 2, 1959, as a student at the University of Oregon in Eugene. She worked very hard there, but received a great deal of persecution. She then moved to Berke-

ley, California. A few years later, she moved to the Washington, DC, area to join Colonel Pak, who had arrived there on February 25, 1961. Col. Pak worked at the Korean Embassy in Washington as the Military Attache. He had already done well witnessing and lecturing prior to Miss Kim's arrival. He has always been an eloquent speaker and an excellent lecturer of Divine Principle since his regional director's days in Korea. During the 1960s, he influenced the political and cultural realms in America with many projects.

In November 1966, Mr. Sang Ik Choi, the first missionary to Japan [sent in 1958] moved to America. His wife arrived in December and they settled in the San Francisco Bay area of California. Kenji "Daikan" Ohnuki and Yonsu Im, who were serving as staff members in the United States for the Little Angels world tour, joined them at that time. They were very active, contacting people directly on the streets, especially young tourists from Europe and other countries. Their work expanded and they gained many members with their unique methods of witnessing and teaching Divine Principle.

These witnessing techniques gained quite a few good members, while creating controversy as well. Many battles and numerous lawsuits from the anti-religion movement resulted. However, through this struggle, this group centering on the San Francisco Bay produced many leaders for our American movement, many of whom are still spiritually vital and dedicated. The more active our witnessing campaigns were, the more serious was the opposition from those whose sons and daughters joined so-called cult movements. We had to face lawsuits and court trials for alleged "brainwashing" on the West Coast, yet not on the East Coast.

The battle to stay in America

It was a given that, to fulfill my mission in America, from the outset I needed to be able to stay in the United States legally. I sought and acquired a student visa, enrolling in the Masters program at the Conservative Baptist Seminary in Portland, Oregon. There I learned about



At Mt. Tabor Holy Ground, Oregon, in 1965, during the creation of the 120 holy grounds world-wide. Next to David Kim is John Schmidli, the first member to join in the USA (1959). He owned a motel, and upon selling it donated a large sum of money to the church in Korea. To his right is Rev. Sang Ik (Papa) Choi, first missionary to Japan. On Father's right is Young Oon Kim and to her right, early US member Vernon Pearson.

America and the Christian churches in the Western world. I used to visit Christian churches every Sunday, making seminary-sponsored tours and speaking to the congregation. Through my visitations, I found several contacts at the churches. As my work bore fruit I formed Divine Principle study groups in these contacts' private homes. The seminary began to watch my ministry to see whether I was teaching the Bible in a false way or in conservative Christian ways. Soon, persecution began coming from the seminary, which had been informed by one of my Divine Principle study group members.

The entire content of Divine Principle was revealed to the seminary professors and its chief administrator. In the end, the seminary and the Immigration authorities worked together to deport me back to Korea immediately following a school court hearing held two weeks before I would graduate and receive my Masters of Religious Education degree in 1962. My "sins" were: first, I was teaching the "heresy" of Divine Principle (for example, that there were two manifestations of the human fall-spiritual and physical); second, our group prayed in the name of True Parents [following their Holy Wedding], not in the name of Jesus Christ; and third, I sent a contribution of \$100 to Master Moon on his birthday on January 6, 1961.

A big battle took place in school court hearings between the seminary, the informer and myself. Since everything I was doing was exposed to them through the informer, whom they called upon as their witness, I had no defense. Fortunately, one of the Biblical professors sympathized with me. He suggested a compromise to the school authorities. This was the result: first, my Master of Religious Education degree was with-

drawn; second, all the work I had done in the last semester was negated and no credits would be issued; third, I would not be allowed to graduate and fourth, instead of the school deporting me to Korea, the seminary would recommend letting me transfer my one and a half year's credits to the Catholic University of Portland and continuing my studies on the graduate level on the subject of Sociology of Marriage and Family. The case was thus settled. I enrolled at the Catholic University to avoid being deported and abandoning my heavenly mission. My deportation was temporarily suspended while I remained in this country on a student visa.

However, I never abandoned my mission. During my ordeal, my eight followers prayed together about what to do at Mt. Tabor Park, near the seminary. The park later became the holy ground in 1965, when True Father established holy grounds in all fifty states. We rebuilt our group, started witnessing, held revival meetings, carried out group-studies of Divine Principle and conducted other activities. One of those activities was a weekly Divine Principle radio broadcast by Mrs. Eileen Welch, begun early in 1962 in Portland. At the time, we were covering seven states: Oregon, Idaho, Utah, Wyoming, Washington, Illinois and Vancouver, BC, the western most province of Canada, where Seattle members were sent as missionaries.

After Miss Kim moved from Berkeley to Washington, DC, I moved down to Eugene, Oregon, and obtained a Master's Degree in education from the University of Oregon. Later, I moved down to Oakland, California and worked together with Mr. Choi's group in

the San Francisco Bay area. Thus, in the early 1960s, the American missionary territory came to be divided into the West Coast under Mr. Choi and myself and the East Coast under Miss Kim and Col. Pak.

To gain members, we did not visit the Christian churches, but witnessed on the streets and college campuses. The most active region was the San Francisco and Berkeley area. Mr. Choi's group conducted daily lecture presentations, shared meals and entertained new contacts. The West Coast group and the East Coast group started newsletters of their own, competing with each other and stimulating each other to increase membership in the United States. On several occasions, the leaders of the West and East Coasts met to help each other promote our movement in America. However, the four missionaries and their respective groups did not unite, thinking instead of who should control America or who would dominate the other group. Prior to 1972, there was no unity between the West and East Coast groups. Only our True Father united the two groups. When he officially arrived on American soil in 1972, the pioneering work of the four missionaries ended, and Father took over the restoration work of America.

Father's early years in America

In the 1970s, under the providential guidance of True Parents, every state established a One World Crusade (OWC) mobile team. True Father directed this soon after his arrival in the United States. The teams fulfilled an evangelical role, conducting revival meetings to support True Father's Day of Hope speaking tours, delivering a new message for a new age. They participated in television interviews and other public relations efforts in order to explain their efforts to the larger public.



Rev. and Mrs. Kim at the eight-day ceremony of their first granddaughter in 1971. She is now working as a journalist.

Beginning from the early American One World Crusade Tours (1971-1974 especially), and based on their success, the International One World Crusade and Day of Hope tours spread worldwide, soon reaching Asia and Europe.

During this period, our Father purchased the 43rd Street Headquarters and the New Yorker Hotel, and started a newspaper in New York City, later combining it with *The Washington Times* daily newspaper in Washington DC. Our True Parents initiated many worldwide projects at that time. Most members then were single, actively teaching Divine Principle and witnessing to gain members. Flower sales were a popular and profitable activity with which to finance the church. International One World Crusade campaigns and Day of Hope tours produced great excitement, plus lots of television interviews and news media publicity. In every city and town our True Parents visited they proclaimed the new message and received citations from governors and mayors.

Many of the new followers attracted to Father's teachings at this time were young people in their twenties and thirties who were enthusiastic and energetic in sharing their faith with others. The years that I served in OWC and IOWC proved to be the best years in my church life since having joined in 1954. During a four year period, IOWC mobile units visited all fifty states and then traveled worldwide. In my capacity as an IOWC commander, I often felt like the supreme commander of a military maneuver. However, we were equipped not with guns or swords, but with God's truth and love.

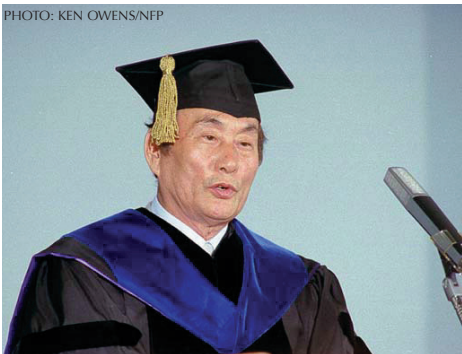
A seminary to educate leaders

Sometime after coming to the United States, I realized that Americans would not easily accept the new and revolutionary teachings of Divine Principle. My two years of pioneering experience in Britain taught me that acceptance of our message would be hindered by the deep-rooted mainline Christian doctrine. The fact that our message comes from the Orient and the racial prejudices Westerners had towards under-developed nations like Korea only further exacerbated the difficulties. However, since Japan was gaining on America and the Western world industrially, I saw that the time was coming for Americans to pay attention to Oriental cultures and traditions, including its new religious movements.

Therefore, I thought that education and tradition based on the Unification

Principle must be developed. Our primary goal in America should be to train and educate American leaders for the future. In 1973, therefore, I suggested to True Father to start a seminary. Since the pioneer missionary days were over, our new direction was to train and educate the next generation of leaders.

I served as president of the Unification Theological Seminary (UTS) for the twenty years of 1974-1994, when I retired. We began preparations for UTS in 1974, but the institution actually had its official launch the following year. The seminary offered a strong and diverse curriculum. In addition to more traditional classes such as New Testament, Old Testament, World Religions and Counseling, UTS established a Korean language program that continues today. UTS succeeded in developing gradu-



Dr. David Kim, President of UTS 1974-94

ate level Unification Studies, courses in topics such as Unification Thought, the Life of Sun Myung Moon, the Unification Worldview and Divine Principle. I set up many traditions at the seminary that I had learned from Father in Korea and in America, and those traditions carry on. These accomplishments were not made by myself alone but with the guidance of True Parents and the assistance of others such as Dr. Edwin Ang and Dr. Therese Stewart.

Numerous seminars and conferences, sponsored by the Unification Theological Seminary or organized by its graduates, have been held internationally. Our True Father has poured millions of dollars into these programs, sowing seeds of true love from our Heavenly Father and True Parents. Now, we are harvesting the fruits of that labor.

I am very glad and take great pride that I served at the Unification Theological Seminary for twenty years (1974-1994) to train future leaders of our movement. Among these leaders are more than thirty-six UTS graduates who have received their Ph.Ds from distinguished universities throughout

the world, and are now serving our True Parents, the nation of America and the world in academic and religious areas.

It excited me to be involved in the war between God's side and Satan's side. As a heavenly general, I led our heavenly troops, marching through all fifty states of the United States during the 1970s. I felt like David smiting Goliath, the enemy of the Israelites, when we proclaimed Divine Principle in each state and city.

I am still inspired by our True Father's concept of IOWC and its goal to influence and save the entire world. I continue to carry out small projects in the name of IOWC: publication of the Day of Hope in Review series and other books, and radio broadcasts of "The Unification Hour" and "True Love Journey." "The Unification Hour" has been airing for the past twenty-two years in the Hudson Valley area. In 1993, we started airing another program called "True Love Journey" proclaiming the identity of True Parents, teaching the meaning and significance of the worldwide blessings, and reaching out to the Christian community as well as communities of other faiths. As vice president of the Unification Thought Institute (UTI) of America I helped publish UTI books and set up a club for the intensive study of Unification Thought. Sadly, Dr. Sang Hun Lee, president of the Unification Thought Institute, passed away suddenly on March 24, 1997. It was my privilege to work with the late Dr. Lee who had such a deep knowledge of Father's message. I admired tremendously his power to systemize Unification Thought into a framework for easy comprehension.

Without any church support, I continue to keep the spirit of IOWC that True Father established in the 1970s, waiting for my successor to appear before I depart to Heaven. It has been most exciting to be a spiritual commander in God's providence centering on True Parents while battling for Satan's territory.

As UTS president, I did my best to set up a tradition for our movement worldwide and for the next generation. The thirty-six blessed couples are already physically old and must pass the torch to the next generation. Some are already gone. This is a part of the natural law of the universe. The next generation, like that of Joshua and Caleb in Moses' time, are the hope of God and True Parents.◆

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So that Others May Enter First

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HEAVENLY Father's love was suddenly surrounding me, and I was brought to the Cheong Pyeong Holy Ground. On the basis of Father's words about absolute faith, love and obedience I put aside my self and left for Cheong Pyeong.

Even though I was a little late for the second 21-day "Kingdom of Heaven Registration" workshop, I am writing this with the thought of being able to transmit to you even just a little of Heavenly Father's "fragrance." I had decided to attend, not as an individual, but as a representative of America, and of the brothers and sisters around the world who weep in their prayers because they cannot go there.

For me, Cheong Pyeong is the hometown of our life of faith, and of heart. I have had the opportunity to be in Cheong Pyeong with True Parents several times before, as I was part of their staff for twelve years.

Every time True Parents go to Korea they always go to the prayer ground at Cheong Pyeong. They would visit Cheong Pyeong even when the winter cold was so severe that one would shiver even in a room with a heated floor. Cheong Pyeong records the footprints of God's crystalline tears. Steeped in memories, Cheong Pyeong warmly welcomes each of us.

Every morning at sunrise, at the holy ground on the hill, where we walked barefoot, I felt embraced as if in the very bosom of true love. It was as if I had entered God's great holy of holies and been cleansed. Then I could pray deeply in the bosom of True Parents' love. My prayer was my wholehearted desire to bring comfort and joy to God, a tearful prayer for the unification of North and South, to transcend the summit of that mountain, to melt away the border on the 38th parallel. I strongly felt that we were mustering the great power of Joshua and Caleb to break down the walls of Jericho, and that this power would reunite North and South Korea centering on God.

Moreover, I prayed for America's

fiery faith to burn anew, and for that faith to unite with God's will.

I could not deeply digest the content of the *hoon dok hae* or what I read by myself each day due to the very busy schedule. I realized the seriousness of doing *hoon dok hae* every day: these words were not something just to be understood with our mind, but to be translated into daily life.

Through the *ansu* we did with Dae Mo Nim three times each day, the feeling came that we must all stand in the position of True Parents. Yet we are still not ready, and too distant from them.



Father speaks at the 2nd 21-Day registration workshop

I am thankful that I could be reborn through tearful prayers in repentance for my sin, for the liberation of our ancestors, and to become a pure living offering. I think that wherever we go, we must live strongly and courageously as true sons and daughters that can bring True Parents comfort. I am deeply thankful to God and True Parents for charging us up with millions of volts of true love!

On September 3rd, the final day of the workshop, True Parents arrived in Korea from Alaska, and Father gave us words of love. Whenever he speaks of love for the sake of others, the practice of true love, and the position of women in God's providence, True Father reaffirms the strong bond [*in-yeon*] of heart between father and daughter.

Finally, as God's gift, we received one town to be our Korean hometown—our eternal hometown. Mine is a village in South Kyungsang Province, deep in the countryside.

Father asked us to visit our assigned "hometown" before we returned to our country. My village was a seven-hour journey from Cheong Pyeong but I wanted to visit it no matter how far away it was. During the workshop, because I wanted to become closer to the Korean sisters, I had tried to spend time with them, sitting at the same table at mealtimes, asking them their names and about their families. So I received help from one Korean sister about travel to my village.

The office director was concerned that it would be difficult for me to go so far away by myself. However, by 8:30 the next morning I arrived safely at the church in my assigned area. I spent two days with the church leader's couple, and as we shared meals together, I heard many things about the church and the village, and had a warm experience that left me with sweet memories that pull on my heart.

This pure, country church reminded me of olden times. It was not just my church. Even though it might not be easy to stay in my hometown, I returned to the United States feeling that this was not just my hometown, but everybody's hometown.

Our registration is for entering the Kingdom of Heaven. Rather than entering first myself, I want to make it possible for members who are suffering, and for those who do not yet know the will of God, to go in first. I hope that we can all desire to travel to our hometown as those who can educate its people in heart, who can convey the will of God to them, letting them know that True Parents are the Messiah, and raising them to stand as fine citizens of the Kingdom of Heaven; and that in doing so we make it possible for all humanity to enter that Kingdom.

Beloved members! In order that no one falls away in this very difficult providence, let us make effort to be close to each other, helping one another and practicing true love, so that, step by step, we can become victorious people of God's will. ♦

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Free to Hear the Cries of Others

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EVEN people close to me said, “No workshop is going to change my life.” They were wrong. Dae Mo Nim says that as the evil spirits go away, our personality changes. I *have* changed. I feel I have been liberated so that my real self, who I really am, can come through for the first time...

I liberated twenty-one generations of ancestors on my mother’s side. I had liberated my father’s side before, but it did not affect me as much as I am more connected with my mother. But it did affect my sister, who is not a church member by the way! And liberating my mother’s side also affected my sister. I asked her, “Did anything interesting happen to you this weekend?” She said, “Yes! As a matter of fact it did....I feel so much lighter. It’s so different....” She is very spiritually open—

she is connected with an ashram. That happened before and it happened again now. I told her that I had liberated some of our ancestors. She said, “Please continue...!” Inspired, she phoned a close relative who had been very hostile to her for a long time. However, this person was suddenly very nice to her on the phone...

Today, as I was doing my daily fifty bows for my ancestors [after returning from the 21-days], I realized why we go to Cheong Pyeong. We go to get the screaming, scared feelings out of us, so we can be clear to be ourselves.

The simple result of that is that then we can truly hear the screams and cries of others, those around us, rather than those within us, and respond to them with unselfish love. And that is God’s unconditional love, not seeking for anything in return, just needing to do something—anything to heal those around us.

Just because I understood this does not mean I think I am there yet. It just means that I now know why Cheong Pyeong is my answer for the demons that have plagued me all my life, that have made my inner life a living hell, no matter how wonderful the environment surrounding me was, no matter how wonderful I knew God and True Parents to be.

At least I know for me, that the more I go to Cheong Pyeong and release evil spirits and liberate my ancestors and their resentful enemies, the more I am free to hear the cries of those outside me and to respond to them, to feel the deep pain of God’s parental heart as God witnesses the suffering of those around me that I know and love. That suffering that was never God’s intention or plan. ♦

Inset: the Cheong Pyeong Angel logo whom Father named “Cheong-Ah” after the name Cheong Pyeong



KOREAN CULTURE

The Worries of Great Men (and Women)

A COLUMN BY LYNNE KIM



EVEN for those of us who have lived trying to put our lives on the altar and trying to be ready for whenever and however God calls us, the call to training at Cheong Pyeong for registration in the Kingdom of Heaven was extraordinary. Through this workshop, I was not only reborn and given an extraordinary opportunity to remobilize myself for the providence, but I could once again experience my Korean sisters in a strong, refreshing way that I am sure God also finds uplifting—but that people from the West might be puzzled by.

In my case, I was very worried because the original dates for the 1800 couples overlapped with the beginning of the semester at Sun Moon University and other previous commitments. But then our church leader said at Sunday service that those who were to go had been requested to go a week early, to arrive that very day by 4:00 p.m. By going that very day, I would finish the

day before classes started at Sun Moon University. In the midst of a great blessing for everyone, it seemed to be a special blessing tailor-made for me—the only way I could really go! And within a few minutes of getting home, my husband had found a Sun Moon University professor who was going to drive his wife and another wife from our blessing up to Cheong Pyeong.

Due to heavy traffic we didn’t arrive there until about 8:00 p.m. The person who was in the office just stared at us when we tried to register. Knowing we should have arrived at 4:00 p.m., I was a bit intimidated by him, and thought that he might actually turn us away. But when I mentioned that quietly to my Korean compatriots, they said, “That’s ridiculous! There’s no way we could have gotten here sooner!” And one of them looked him right in the eye and said loudly, “Is there a problem? Hurry up and give us the forms!” At which point he seemed to snap out of

his state of mind and said with a smile, “Oh, no!” and produced the registration forms without any other comment. For me it was one more poignant example of my Western adherence to “the letter of the law” and a tendency to be ready to accept rejection (perhaps the Christian guilt complex), contrasted with the strong Korean attitude that they are doing their best and therefore are to be accepted.

They seem to have that attitude in common with True Father. Initially when Father announced his plans to hold the training, the Family Department had set up clear requirements for attendance: Only people from families where neither of the couple had fallen; only people who had paid the whole “total living offering,” and only people who had fulfilled the goal of 160/180 couples as a condition for Tribal Messiahship. But True Father scolded them, asking why they had made it so strict. He said everyone should come, espe-

cially those who had received the blessing but had left or done nothing. He said we had started together and should finish together. His heart wants to include everyone. It seems the people closest to his heart also have that kind of inclusive mind.

Each thing Mr. Yoon (from New Hope East Garden in Brazil, who was responsible for the first training session) said gave people hope and new life. At one point he shouted, [not his exact words] "You're worried about your husbands, aren't you? Even if you've had to be forgiven, you're still blessed.

And you're worried about your children! Come on. Even if they're not in a second generation blessing, even if they are considered a previously married couple, get over it. The blessing is the blessing! Get them blessed. And rejoice in that! Don't give up. Get on with your lives for God! Don't let Satan stop you from working for God." And another time he explained, "Now we pray in our own names. What kind of prayers should we pray? We should be reporting about our plans and our accomplishments. Stop going on about how bad you are and what you can't do. Do you like it if your children keep telling you how they can't do anything right? Don't you want to hear something good from them? Become that kind of person for God and True Parents! I always try to live in a way that it would be God's loss if he sent me to hell!"

The Cheong Pyeong schedule itself ends after prayer at the Tree of Love at midnight and begins with rising at 6:00. But with True Father speaking until late, and our getting up early for pledge with him on Sundays and for holidays, we were lucky to get even four hours sleep on some days. It seemed God and True Parents were out to really train us for something.

On ordinary days, announcements like the following were made over and over, "Don't get up before 6:00. Even if you wake up, don't move. Don't disturb other people who want to sleep until the official time." But a dear Korean sister that I am close with and many others were always up and running before 5:30. My friend's years as a church leader's wife had made her used to getting up early. It didn't matter what the

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Mother sings for the sons and daughters of Korean national messiahs attending a mission-oriented 40-day workshop at Cheong Pyeong. Father is then pulled up to join in!



schedule was. It didn't matter what the announcements said. She said, "We have to get up early to get up the mountain before it gets crowded. It's good to get a head start on the day." It also didn't seem to matter to her that she sometimes dozed off during *hoon dok hae*. She still wanted to get up early and get an early start on the day. When I worried about going against the schedule, she couldn't believe it. "Don't worry about things like that! It's good to get up early. Just do your best for God! Hurry up! Let's go."

It seems to me that one difference between Western and Korean members is that as long as they are not going against the providence, or consciously sinning, the Koreans don't seem to feel as constrained by the announced regulations or details of a matter as the Westerners do. For example, when the sleeping hall became too crowded, my dear sister recommended taking our sleeping bags up to sleep in the hallway of the large sanctuary. I was worried that the angels might "spank" us for going against the rules, yet once again my Korean sister strongly told me not to worry about things like that....even though Dae Mo Nim and the Cheong Pyeong staff said people should sleep in their designated areas! To me such actions verge on being sinful, but seemed relatively unimportant to my friend in this situation. The woman

I am talking about is a wonderful church leader's wife from one of the top areas for witnessing in Korea. She deeply loves God and True Parents and the providence. Whenever True Father spoke, she was one of the first in the hall sitting near to where he would be. She had a sense about what he would do and when. When the mobilization was announced, she was completely at peace: "Of course, I'll go!" was her smiling, confident response. And she couldn't imagine anyone not going.

As I tried to balance and understand the different feelings and dynamics that seem to be at work in my Korean sister and me and other Western brothers and sisters, I was reminded of a statement by Confucius that had moved me as

a student. It went something like this: "Great men worry about great things. Small men worry about small things." Perhaps if we Westerners keep in mind what is great and what is small we will have fewer clashes with our Korean brothers and sisters when they seem to ignore rules that they see as obstacles in their way.

At home, sometimes I found myself not agreeing with things my mother-in-law did. But when I looked at the situation objectively I realized there was no sin involved, and when I realized that what she did was being done through her understanding of love, I never argued. In our movement as a whole, I find that the different responses in such situations usually reflect that the Koreans tend to be more vertical, focusing on their relationship with God and True Parents, whereas, in general, we who come from the West seem to put more weight on our relationships with each other and on how we are affecting each other.

It seems one more example of how we need each other in order to become a perfect whole for God. ♦

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For example, Father recommended building a peace park in the demilitarized zone on the Korean peninsula. There we should build an ecological sanctuary and an education center where people can learn how to establish peace. The UN has two major streams. One is GOs, representing each nation's government and the other is NGOs—nongovernmental organizations. Presently, about 3,500 NGOs are working actively. But GOs are comparatively less active. An NGO Federation presented Father with the Universal Peace Award. What does this award mean to Father? For Father, it signifies testimony from the Cain side. It also means a completion of one level of restoration. True Mother received a significant award on June 14th last year at the "Declaration and Celebration of True Parents' Cosmic Victory." [See June 1999 issue] Father gave Mother this award after she finished her eighty-nation world tour. Father then told us that we should also give Mother an award.

How could we dare to give Mother an award?! Yet Father said that we should because it had providential meaning. Why, providentially, should Mother have received an award after establishing this victorious foundation? Why should Father have given Mother an award and why should we have honored Mother in this way?

From 1993, Mother started to walk the way of True Mother centered on mother and son cooperation, in the truest sense. Although Mother had already become the True Mother of humankind in 1960, from the providential point of view, she was more like a prophet or a John the Baptist until 1992. The proof of this is True Mother's proclamation of True Father being the Messiah. John the Baptist's mission was to proclaim who the Messiah is. Christian spiritual groups in the position of John the Baptist should have testified to Father. But they failed to do so. So who took over the mission at last? From July 6th to 9th in 1992, Mother testified to Father through the Women's Federation.

The mission of the bride of the Second Coming passed from Christianity to the Unification Church and finally to the Women's Federation. Last year, Mother received an award from her children. That signifies that mother and her children were united during the age of mother and son cooperation.

In the providence to restore mother and son cooperation, Cain, Abel and

the mother unite and bring the father to their unity. The father represents Adam of the original ideal of creation. After completing this providence, the original Adam presented an award to Mother in recognition of this accomplishment.

Giving an award has significant providential meaning for True Parents' providence. True Parents' receiving an award, on a victorious foundation, from an organization connected with the UN has providential significance. True Parents are building God's Kingdom substantially. Externally, they create the environment, and, internally, they educate people to inherit His will.

The Registration Workshops

Let us take a look at the meaning of the registration workshops and mobilization. What are the registration workshops? They signify the fruition of the providence in the completion stage. It is inevitable that each one of us go through the process of registration in building God's Kingdom. There are two things we should look at in God's providence. One is His promises, the other is the fulfillment of His promises. The main theme of the entire Bible is God's promises and their fulfillment.

True Father started to speak about registration in 1959. True Parents, Heung-Jin Nim's family and the True Family are registered. Since 1959, Father has been saying that when the time of registration comes, we will gain citizenship. This year, we are witnessing his promise being fulfilled. Can you imagine how important a providential fruit this is? Brothers and sisters, the main thing is not mobilization. The focus should be on the registration. Not on mobilizing but on registering. Registration signifies the fulfillment of a providential promise.

Second, Father told us that there are three stages of the blessing. There is the church-level blessing, the national-level blessing and the world-level blessing. Registration is the process we have to pass completely through, so that we can enter the national level blessing era. Once we have done that, the world-level blessing era can naturally come about.

Third, what is registration? It means that we earn citizenship in God's Kingdom. All of us here are blessed. But the blessing does not guarantee our perfection. For example, when we were born we were given life. But having life did not give us any rights. In order to have rights as citizens we have to grow up and become adults. We can vote only after we have come of age.

By the same token, being blessed is just like the time before we come of age. We are still underage. We have no right to vote. The registration process makes it possible for us to receive citizenship as adults. This is the relationship between our blessing and registration.

Fourth, registration is the process of realizing God's Kingdom. There are three things necessary for the realization of God's Kingdom; people, land and sovereignty. We have the sovereignty. We are establishing our land in Korea. Father is also preparing another place just in case Korea cannot provide the land for God. Registration means populating the heavenly kingdom. Therefore, this registration providence is an inevitable process in the building of God's Kingdom. For each one of us it signifies earning citizenship. From the viewpoint of the providence as a whole, it is the inevitable process of realizing God's Kingdom by creating God's people.

Registration workshops are in process in Cheong Pyeong. The workshop for the 36 couples to the 777 couples has already finished and now the 1800 couples are receiving training. They are being educated to become citizens of God's Kingdom. They are also setting the conditions to be reborn.

What does it mean to be reborn? It means that we should restore our satanic blood lineage to the lineage of goodness. That is the main reason we were blessed. Then have we all kept the tradition of God's blood lineage after we were blessed? We have not done so. So True Parents are working on the rebirth providence again. They will hold the Holy Wine Ceremony again to give us the opportunity to repent, and the Blessing Ceremony to revive our spirits.

All the families whose wives or mothers have completed the registration workshop will be educated in the final week of September. What is education? It provides the opportunity for us to recreate ourselves. We receive the necessary shots to be cured. We can be reborn as God's people. From God's providential viewpoint, the registration workshop means receiving spiritual education to give us a clear sense of our identity, and the earning of citizenship. It is also a condition for us to be reborn. We can be forgiven totally and receive the blessing of rebirth.

Therefore, all blessed families should participate. So far only fifty percent of the 1800 couple families participated in the workshop. Those who did not come

were afraid of being mobilized. That is a serious problem. You should tell the ones you know who did not participate that they should, no matter what. Mobilization is not the main point. Most important is our participation in the grace God gives us freely.

What is important here is that we should be reborn again by True Parents and be registered as God's citizens. Some citizens are more qualified than others. In any event, you all should be registered. No matter how righteous and good you are, you cannot wear the ceremonial robes unless you are blessed. No matter how wrong is the road you have taken, once you are blessed, you can still wear the ceremonial robes. There is a difference in quality. Registration is the same. So all the blessed families should participate in the registration workshop.

What is our path? We are going the way of eternity. Let's look back at the time of Jesus. Jesus had perhaps five thousand followers when his movement was at its peak. But later on, his disciples' fire of passion burned out and they started doubting whether or not Jesus was the Messiah. It was such pitiful situation. They all left before Jesus' crucifixion. They began to see Jesus through humanistic eyes. They saw Jesus with spiritual eyes in the beginning but became blinded by their own humanistic perceptions. They could not see Jesus as he really was. They all left him. They all failed. What does this teach us?

Why a Mobilization?

This is God's revelation—the revelation teaching us that we should not make the same mistake. When we first encountered the Principle, we could see Father while full of spirit. He was holy. We made conditions of overnight prayer when Father came to the Headquarters Church. But as time passed, our eyes started becoming cloudy, and we have started to look at Father with human eyes. We can no longer see Father as he really is. We may end up dying like Peter. The registration workshop has such an important meaning for all of us, therefore.

Having the attitude that we cannot go because we cannot be mobilized after the workshop is so foolish. As we walk the providential path with True Parents, the least we can do is participate in providential events. Then we

move to the next level systematically.

Now, let us talk about mobilization. What do mobilizations mean? These are official courses for us to be God's people. They are not a matter of choice. They are mobilizations. There have always been official providential courses that we were pulled into by God's will, rather than our own. Mobilization at this time has the same kind of connotation. True Father predicted this mobilization long ago. When True Father mobilized our elder members in the beginning of the 1970s, he told them that he would mobilize them once again in the Last Days. This is the very time he was referring to. Mobilization signals the start of God's Kingdom in the providential sense. The meaning of this mobilization is the beginning of



Assisted by Hannam-dong staff, Father signs copies of a book for church leaders in Korea

God's Kingdom.

God's Kingdom begins when there is sovereignty and people who are registered as God's people. Mobilizing is the way to settle the tradition and spirit of God's Kingdom and for us to have the identity of citizens. Through mobilizing, we can make a substantial foundation for sovereignty. We have been following God's providence as blessed families so far. If we miss this important providential event of starting a new country, we may lose the meaning of all the effort we have made to come this far.

Even if you cannot follow the directions one hundred percent, you should be mobilized. You may have health reasons, financial reasons and all kinds of reasons that you feel you cannot participate in a mobilization. Yet, even if you have all possible reasons preventing you from actively participating in this mobilization, you at least should go to your mission area. Father would

not give us this kind of direction if he were only concerned with our personal situations. This is absolute. Even if you can work only for a day or two in your assigned area, you should at least go.

This is a providential event, the fruit of all the past effort made. This is the starting point for the future. Two thousand years ago, Jesus was killed because he called God his Father. When people asked Jesus why he did not follow the Mosaic law concerning the Sabbath, he answered that he worked because his Father in Heaven worked. The Jews were determined to kill him. Why? Because he called God his Father and broke the law of the Sabbath.

At the time of Jesus, they could not even call God their Father. Children could not call their own father "Father."

We also had a time that we could not call True Parents the Messiah. How about now? Do True Parents proclaim themselves as True Parents or not? Do you think that they did not want to proclaim themselves as True Parents? They could not in the past because there would have been too much rejection. Now they can do so at anytime. Why? Because the situation has changed.

The fact that the time has come that we can build God's Kingdom and that we can be mobilized for that purpose is truly a liberating event. It is a joyful event worthy of celebration. At this providential time, if we complain, "Why can't Father

leave us alone?" without trying to look at the larger providential picture, we will end up devastating our own hearts.

At this time of liberation, the least we can do is not go against the providential flow. Even if we cannot go forward, well, we should at least try to stay on the same track. Since this mobilization has the providentially historical meaning of eternal liberation and freedom, we should meet it full of joy in our hearts. We should also be grateful for having heavenly citizenship bestowed upon us.

For those blessed families who participate in the special registration ceremony, Father will hold the holy wine ceremony. How much have we sinned so far? Have you sinned a great deal or not? We have done many things that were not clean in front of God. We have made a lot of mistakes as blessed families. True Parents want to forgive all

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New Hope Embraces the Local Community

New Hope East Garden is far from an isolated community in the wilderness...

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THE second anniversary of the Ideal Family Education Center for World Peace, located in New Hope East Garden, Brazil, was commemorated on July 22, 2000, by a special event at which both True Father and True Mother delivered speeches to an overflow audience of four thousand people. True Parents were very happy with the large number of guests gathered from thirty-three area cities, including more than two hundred mayors, other elected officials, clergy, professionals and business leaders.

To help prepare for this day of celebration, the regular schedule of the 40-day workshop was shifted to allow all seven hundred staff and participants to dedicate a week of work to providing all aspects of event support from artistic decorations and landscaping to hospitality and technical expertise.

In 1996, True Father assigned new UTS graduates to Brazil and 22 of those graduates have been working for the past three years as missionaries to 33 cities located in the area surrounding New Hope East Garden. They have brought 109,000 guests to different workshops over the past sixteen months.

This time 750 guests that attended were from Jardim and 400 came from Guia Lopes, the two closest cities to New Hope East Garden. In addition, almost 400 guests came from Campo Grande, the capital city of Mato Grosso Sul, the western state in which Jardim is located. Fifty guests, including the mayor and his wife, came from Corumba, the city that, among the 33, is located farthest away—400 kilometers northwest, on the western edge of the Pantanal. Considerable promotion was also provided through favorable front-page articles that came out in *Estado Pantanal*, a daily newspaper in Jardim, on July 14th and again on July 20th.

The 40-day workshop participants wholly invested their energy, enthusiasm

and expertise to prepare for the event. The main temple and veranda were cleared of all workshop furniture, to be replaced with over three thousand chairs that filled the temple, the veranda, and the special white tent that was assembled outside in anticipation of inclement weather. Meters upon meters of colored fabric were hung along the temple walls together with floral sprays and banners



printed with inspirational phrases in Portuguese. The open area of the veranda railing was draped with stenciled fabric panels that were designed and printed by workshop volunteers.

One of the 40-day participants from Great Britain was a professional audio and video design, installation and maintenance technician. He designed, organized and installed an improved audio and translation system, supplementing the existing one with new components. The greatest problem they faced the day before the event was the seventy meter multicore cable that had been ordered to carry all audio signals to and from the audio mixing desk not arriving, and having to be improvised by finding and utilizing all cables located throughout New Hope East Garden. The staff worked with only a few hours' sleep for final set-up before putting in a full day as engineers for the event itself. Yoshi Naka, one of the workshop participants who assisted Michael, worked without sleep the night before the event. He later reflected that this experience was one of the highlights of his 40-day workshop.

The grounds were cleared and landscaped by a team of workshop volunteers. The modest house True Parents

had first lived in prior to the construction of their newly-opened home was taken down piece by piece, the foundation leveled and graveled. Five major banners were designed and hung and signs were painted and placed strategically throughout the property.

As missionaries made last-minute confirmations and communications to guests, brothers and sisters worked around the clock and through the night to finish final preparations. The unpredictable weather of the winter month of July was at its finest and on the 22nd, guests stepped out of 56 buses to be greeted on this sunny day by friendly hospitality staff.

The event began at 11:00 a.m. A brief introduction to True Parents' activities was followed by a video. Then True Parents were introduced and True Father delivered the first speech, "Holy Blessing and Eternal Life," which lasted fifty minutes. He was followed in this rare joint speaking engagement by True Mother, who spoke on "The Way for Humanity and the Last Days of the World" for forty minutes.

The audience was very inspired by the message and many guests expressed their gratitude to True Parents. True Parents then hosted a special lunch for prominent area leaders, warmly greeting each with a handshake and a few words. The meal was concluded with True Parents singing a song in their loving, familiar way, expressing their deep, parental heart for each guest. The mayor of Corumba and his wife were so happy to be able to have met and spent this time with True Parents.

The remaining thousands of guests were served lunch outdoors by groups of 40-day workshop volunteers. Many participants later explained that they were so happy to have been able to serve the Brazilian guests as representatives of True Parents. One sister explained that she experienced a high spiritual atmosphere of love and gratitude, and felt that it must have been that way during the time when Jesus

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that and restore us through giving us the holy wine ceremony. How great a blessing this is! The reason the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah collapsed is not because they were full of evil people, but because they simply did not have five good people. The cities could not be forgiven because there was no one there that was righteous.

In contrast, the city of Nineveh was an evil city. It was a city in which people could not repent. Had it not been for Jonah, the city would have been doomed to judgement. It survived

thanks to this one man. In the same way, it is not we who are doing what we are doing. God is doing all the work. What we do is make conditions so that God can work with us. When you see the big picture of the entire providence, the conditions we make are very small. In comparison to the number of the people in the city of Nineveh, how insignificant Jonah was! Five righteous people was a very small number compared to all the people in the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah. But those five were crucial for those big cities. Because there were not even five, the two cities had to be destroyed. The position we stand in is

similar. The mobilized blessed families must be there taking responsibility so that our cities and our nation can turn into God's Kingdom. We can finally earn our country's liberation.

We should all move forward in front of True Parents' providence. With strong determination, we should try to understand God's providence through True Parents and to be loyal to them. Please keep this in your deepest hearts.◆

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spoke to the people and the fish and loaves were multiplied to feed the huge crowd. A modest kitchen staff, supplemented with a few workshop volunteers, worked tirelessly to provide an appetizing meal for all.

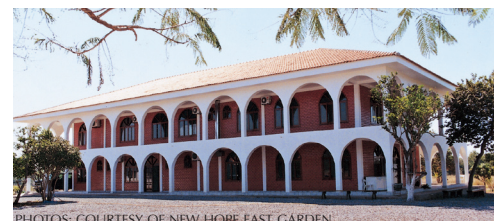
By late afternoon, the last guests had departed. The 40-day workshop participants then shifted to last-minute preparations for an evening cultural celebration of song and dance. Many national groups prepared native entertainment. True Parents enjoyed the performances and were especially entertained by a large group of second generation teenagers who wrote and performed an original skit entirely in Korean, narrated by a European second generation

boy who had studied for a few years in Korea. True Parents went on stage and sang and danced with the audience to conclude this very special day.

The next morning, True Parents led Pledge in the main temple and after *hoon dok hae*, True Father spoke. He left the stage and walked up and down the rows of families, stopping in different places while he continued to speak. Father lovingly spoke directly to some of the couples, emphasizing his main points about true love, life and lineage. Before True Parents departed at breakfast time, participants flocked to True Parents' house to thank them and to wish them a safe journey.◆

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Photos: facing page, Father speaks to the thousands who gathered from the surrounding towns. On this day, Father declared the "independence of the fatherland"; above, Father speaks to workshop participants outside the new house built for True Parents (photo below); above left top, Mother welcomes Father back from a fishing condition, above left, a family receives its graduation certificate from the Ideal Family Education workshop



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New Books for Children

The Second Generation Office in Korea has produced three *hoon dok hae* books for younger children. These are illustrated in very bright, full-color cartoon style. One book is for pre-school and kindergarten age, one for the first three to four years of primary school and one for the older primary school child.

They are in Korean language. Each chapter includes a passage from Father's words, adapted so as to be understood by younger people. These are arranged in the context of one aspect of the Principle, Father's life, the providence, or our life of attendance. Each book has fifty-two chapters, one for each week of the year.

Inquiries can be made direct to the second generation office at the Korean national church headquarters: contact Mr. Young Kyun Lee. The price is \$10 plus mailing costs (send an e-mail or fax to Mr. Lee and he will advise you of how much you would need to send to cover the full cost of your order).

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