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Relating with God Through Living for Others

Good morning, brothers and sisters. True Parents went to Hawaii after their birthday celebration and the successful holding of WCSF 2002. They went there to initiate a fishing workshop. Father contacted me to come, but I had not prepared to go, because I am not a national messiah.

Why did True Parents mobilize the Korean national messiahs with only a week's notice for such a long period at this busy time of the providence? Many of us surely wondered about that. Father mobilized them to go fishing not just for a short time but for as long as 120 days. What was the reason for that? It wasn't to introduce the leaders to fishing, because they've done it so many times before. Why did Father call men who are supposed to be busy with their mission? Why did he have to call them to Hawaii to go fishing, a rich man's hobby? All of us wanted to know.

Some people asked me what the providential meaning of fishing is. Frankly, I don't have a clear answer. However, what I understand is that while fishing we can inherit True Father's heart. When you watch Father fishing, you can tell right away that he does not do it to kill time. It's not even a sport for him; it's a battle. He is fighting a war. He always chooses the toughest time and toughest places to fish. He sets goals and stays on the ocean in rain or snow—even in storms. He does not come back to shore until he has fulfilled his goal.

True Parents are teaching and passing on to us various aspects of life in relation to the providence. Fishing is one of them. From fishing, we can learn about the history of God's providence of restoration through indemnity, and the ferocious battles against Satan. It teaches us to develop the spirit to overcome any obstacle on our way to fulfilling our goals. We can watch the earnest conditions and prayers True Parents offer while fishing together with them.

Fishing teaches us a sense of responsibility, and how people can harmonize with nature. In addition, True Parents see the ocean as having the resources needed for humanity's future and take a lot of interest in it. We can learn about True Parents' heart through fishing. Father has chosen fishing as a tool to teach us about his spirit and heart. He calls senior national messiahs to go fishing because they are the ones who must most deeply inherit True Parents' heart.

I once asked my son, "What kind of person do you think I am?" Since he has reached the age at which he is starting middle school, I just felt like asking him something like that. I really wondered what he thought

of his father and whether he would understand my position as a church leader. His answer was, "You are a busy man." So I asked him, "What do you think I am always busy for?" He wasn't sure. He's not aware of my world. All he knows is that his dad is busy. From his point of view, he only sees that his dad goes out at dawn and comes back home very late at night.

So, I thought about it. I should teach my son everything about the providence. I should pass my life of faith on to him. The question is: How should I do that? All he knows is that his dad is tremendously busy all the time. That only means that my son and I have not had the time to share our experiences. We have never really talked deeply about things; never had the chance to attend Sunday service side by side; or to share deep feelings with each other. What he knows is that his dad is busy doing something he doesn't understand. That means I have not yet handed down my life of faith to him. Waking up early for pledge service on Sundays, praying and doing *hoondokhae* together doesn't mean I have fully passed my life of faith on to him.

True Parents must be in the same situation. So, out of many possible ways of passing on their life of faith to us, they have chosen fishing. That's why, whenever they have time and a chance to bring national messiahs fishing, they do so.

Father said it would be a historic four months of training. However, all of a sudden, the plan was changed on the first of March. Our members are preparing for the April 27th, 144,000-couple blessing of clergy. Father decided to send the Korean national messiahs to help out with the preparation for the blessing ceremony instead of sending them fishing.

I didn't know why they called us Korean, Japanese and American leaders there until we arrived. They have done deep prayer conditions in Hawaii. While doing a prayer condition, they realized that they should do more for the 144,000 clergyman blessing. Korea and Japan are in the position of the father and mother that have given birth to the elder son, America. So, True Parents sent the Korean national messiahs and Japanese missionaries to the U. S. together to prepare for the 144,000 couple blessing ceremony, and True Parents also went to prepare the clergymen for the ceremony. Do you know how precious the blessing is? The blessing doesn't belong to only us. The scope of the blessing has expanded to the worldwide and universal levels. Now, the grace of this providence is being

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Heaven and Earth in Harmony



The work to liberate the spiritual world and unify the spiritual and earthly worlds has been a focus of Heaven's dispensation, and thus of True Parents' own efforts, more visibly so in recent years. In support of this, Heung-jin nim and Daemo nim have worked tirelessly from the spirit world. Deeper understanding is now possible through the message Heung-jin nim conveyed on the first day of the year (see page 10). *Photos: left, Daemo nim speaking on her recent visit to Japan; right, The March 1st ceremony to unite the spiritual and physical worlds (see page 16).*

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Speech to Leaders

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At one of the longer leaders' meetings in recent years, Father spoke for some five hours in the morning and afternoon to the Ambassadors for Peace, returning in the early evening to address the assembled leaders of FFWPU and other providential organizations from Korea, Japan and other nations. Here, translated from the transcript of Father's words, are excerpts from the evening speech.

It is two thousand and what? [It's 2002.] This year should be the deciding point of victory or failure. In the autonomous nation's...what is it? [Victorious realm.] When you think about the victorious realm, we should think of it in terms of its stages, the first to the eighth stage... everything should exist in steps. We must hold the victorious realm; that way we can greet the age of liberation. When we see the age of liberation, all things will come to a conclusion.

The era of the providence of restoration through indemnity centering on myself is over. Now is the time to realize structural balance, centering on the law of *Cheon Il Guk* and centering on the Principle. Things will be different from the past. Because our family is the beginning foundation of the Kingdom of Heaven, I had to prepare the foundations centering on families. All the families created up until now, starting from the 36 to the 400 million couples have created a unified realm in heaven and the foundation for the establishment of kingship. Since we have established *Cheon Il Guk*, we should put that nation's administrative law into practice on earth. Have you all made the *Cheon Il Guk* ID card? Have the cards all been distributed? [Yes.] In the future, if the world accepts *Cheon Il Guk*, it will make all national boundaries disappear. With use of the *Cheon Il Guk* ID cards, the time when you won't need visas is here. Do you understand? One big family.

All the six continents will be divided as Korea is, for example: we have provinces, counties, districts, townships and villages. So, the six continents will each be divided in the same way that a nation is divided. Because we don't need national boundaries, we won't need visas.

You will stand as the masters of heaven and earth who can truly love and take care of them, who can inherit them. You will be liberated masters. That way, the lands belonging to you will have no national boundaries.

We should make our work more interesting than eating breakfast, lunch and dinner. Eating is for us to realize God's will. If you don't find God's will interesting, you shouldn't

eat food; you don't need to eat food. Such a time will come when you should not have boundaries in your mind. Kyeong-sang province is different from Cholla province, but they are not different worlds. Every single part of your body is connected. The world is the expansion of your self. Just as a building has a front gate, a back gate, up, down, front, back, right and left. We must all find a way to live our lives equally meaningfully. We should be able to move around anywhere without visas. We do not need national boundaries.

Based on a liberated mindset we should be able to live such free lives. However, the satanic world is not yet sorted out. You are responsible for taking care of all the legal problems until now. Do you understand what I mean? Blessed families are independent. It means *you* have to repair all the violations against God's will. You should be able to take care of matters in your own areas on behalf of heavenly government, the national authority. Just as administrative departments and the upper and lower houses of Congress exist in the center of a nation, and just as counties and districts exist, the organization is all connected. A person who works in one department should

be able to go anywhere and work together with anyone, as brothers and sisters do, as companions do. He shouldn't have any problem working, eating and living together with others in any season.

The most pressing problem is to unify language. Do you understand? What is the most serious problem? [Language.] So, what language do you have to speak? Chinese? You should be able to speak the language of love connected to True Parents; connected to first love, first life and first lineage. You should be able to speak the language through which True Parents have left the foundation of love on earth. What it means is you should speak the language of True Parents. The language of True Parents, Korean, is a high-level language, linguistically speaking. In Korean, upper, middle and low levels of address are very clear.

[To non-Korean members:] Do you find Korean easy or difficult? [Difficult.] Is it easy for children to learn their mother and father's language? Have you heard children saying it's difficult to learn their language? You should learn the language naturally. Okay?

What I mean is that you have to speak as often as you can. If you don't use it, you can never learn the language. When children learn to speak they sometimes make whining noises and use special gestures. It's the beginning of speaking the





Photos: Facing page and above, *Father speaking at Belvedere in March (which he did on four consecutive Sundays);* below, *Father speaks at a recent blessed husbands' workshop at the Cheong Pyeong training center*

language. You should not make faces. If you cannot speak it, you should do it with your hands. You can speak with your eyes, with your feet and even with your nose. Of course, you can also speak with your mouth!

The mother tongue is the language that you learn naturally without making any special effort. It is the language of your parents, connected to the first love, life and lineage. What is it? [The mother tongue.] What is the mother tongue? It is the language that your mother and father used originally in their own country.

We are trying to unify languages, but those who did not learn the mother tongue should go through some special training in the spirit world. You should be ashamed. In the spirit world, it takes only a week to work out other people's languages. You can communicate through your heart, so if you speak your own language then other people will understand you. Now on earth, True Parents have to use interpreters. It is a shameful thing to have to use interpreters. That's why you have to learn the language.

From now, within three years, I am going to unify the language at the events I attend. Do you understand? After five

years, I will chase away the interpreters. I am serious when I say that people who do not speak the language will lose their positions. After five years, starting from the first day of this year, this will happen. So, within four years, you must all learn the language. You haven't learned it because you haven't tried. Are you going to learn it or not? [We'll learn it.]

How about you Europeans? You think you're good, but you will be miserable in the spirit world. You will have no place to go. You must learn the language. In the past I told you I wouldn't use interpreters, beginning in 1985. You miscreants! Are my words some passing beggar's, or those of someone who is clowning around? I'm not just speaking to you about a revelation. This is the law and constitution.

Was it a good thing for you to meet me or not? [A good thing.] What was so good about it? Show me what was so good about it. I can see many things that are bad. You haven't even learned Korean. How can you say it was good? If True Parents are Koreans, you should have learned Korean. Doesn't that make sense to you?...

God is invisible. However, He was born. Do you think God passed through the stages of babyhood, of childhood, of being in His prime, of middle age, of engagement and of marriage? Did He or didn't He? He even went through the stage of marriage. The giving and receiving of love is realized through oneness.

God made Himself stand in perfect balance so that He would not scatter all over the place. Then, He created Adam and Eve. Just as mothers carry their babies in their bellies for nine months, God also carried them in His belly and gave birth to them. Don't you think that makes sense? Without a cause, there cannot be any result. If God had not thought out and planned everything related to having Adam and Eve, you could say that he was out of his mind.

I think Satan is very smart. He knows how to send people off to hell with money and all the rest. You are so hopeless, even when you are put into situations that make you go in and out of hell thousands of times. Satan even locked God up as his prisoner for thousands of years and has been assuming God's role for so long. He must be the king of wisdom. Do you understand?

So who is the Heavenly Father? We must find God first. We must have the True God with us. Because Adam and Eve didn't know God, they fell. Could they have fallen if they had known God?



TONGIL SEGYE

Internal nature and external form exist for each other. Internal nature exists for external form. External form exists for internal nature. There is no concept of self-centeredness. Everything exists for others. That is the only concept that should have existed in this world. No one should have the idea of misusing others for a self-centered purpose. Because living for others is the way to monopolize God's deep love, everyone willing to live for the sake of others should be busy running around in this world. Because of the self-centered motivation, though, our ancestors deviated from that path.

What is the fall? It is disregarding the order of the creation due to self-centered motivation. The fall happened because people became aware of their own self-centered ideas. Yoo Chong-gwan! Do you know about consciousness? [Consciousness?] The consciousness of your being the center of the universe, that sort of a thing. [Yes, there is such an inner characteristic in human nature.] (laughter) I don't know such complicated phrases such as "inner characteristic." You know what I want to say, right? [Yes.] Everyone has such a mind originally; You want even God to listen to you. You want me to listen to you, too. You want kings and the entire world to listen to you. You have that kind of mind. This type of awareness originated with the fallen ancestors. Those who think this way are bound to go to hell. Hell. Those who listen to and follow their own self-centered awareness are thieves.

If I address Kwak Chung-hwan very respectfully as Rev. Kwak Chung-hwan, wouldn't he be happy? How about Yoo Chong-gwan? If I honor you by calling you Rev. Yoo Chong-gwan, would you feel happy? [I would feel terrible!] (laughter) How terrible would you feel? You all have the mind of a thief. If I have gold, silver and treasure, you all want to have them in your pocket, don't you? Centering on the standard of the ideal of creation, there cannot be any kind of self-centered concept. Those who harbor them are bound to go to hell. What do you say to that?

You think you're much better than me? [No!] How heavy are the burdens of the fall you are carrying in the house of God? After having solved the problems on the individual, family, tribe, nation and world levels, haven't I established God's kingship? Did I do well or not? [You did well.] I'm sorry that I did it first. You should have been the first to do it.

Don't you Japanese wonder how long a new Korean leader is going to last when he comes to your area? You think that he came to abuse you for the sake of Korea. Do you think like that or not? Oyamada! You've thought like that before, right? [No, I haven't.] Don't say you haven't. I am sure you have.

Before this education, you thought of yourselves as Japanese and Korean leaders as Koreans. Did you or didn't you? Mr. Yoo? Do you like Japanese or not? [I like them.] You like them because you have no choice. (laughter) If you don't like them, there is no way you can be God's son. That's why you like them.

You should not think of yourselves as Japanese. You are Koreans who happened to have been born in Japan. You should have the heart to appreciate the Korean language, water and air, and want to live in Korea. You should want to breathe Korean air in Japan, if you could, by connecting pipes between Korea and Japan. But you don't have such a heart.

Should I continue to get Japanese people to work or not? Should I or shouldn't I from now on? If I don't get you to work for the providence, your nation would be at risk. That is why you, Japanese members, should learn the Korean language and history. Only if you are welcomed by Koreans are you able to connect to me. You should change in accordance with original human nature. That's how you can be



Prayer before the March 10th Belvedere speech

engrafted with me. Do you understand or not? Do you know about engrafting? Flowers bloom only three or four years after the engrafting process. You should go through the process of engrafting. No matter how great you are, you are still false olive trees. Do you know about false olive trees? They can only feed magpies or beggars who have nothing to eat. Nobody can really eat them. They are only edible after having been engrafted....

Pak Jong-ae, do you like me? [Yes.] Do you like your husband? Which one do you like more? [I like you more, Father.] You simpleton! After you marry, you leave your father and mother and love your husband more. That is the Principle. So the parents' heart is that they want their daughters to love their husbands more than their parents once they are married.

Western people should like Koreans and Japanese and serve True Parents. If Japanese and Americans do not become second Koreans, they cannot go to heaven. Do you understand? [Yes.] Oyamada, are you a Korean from Japan? [Yes, I am.] I know Japan so well. Much better than you do. Even before you were born, I lived in Japan. I know very well that it is hard for Japanese to like Koreans or to intermarry with them.

Cain and Abel should be united. They should be like twins. Western people should learn the language of their mother and father. And you [Koreans] should learn a Western language, to love your sons and daughters. In order to teach them, you should learn their language.

What is the first direction? Ambassadors for Peace, national leaders and who? The tribal leaders—the re-blessing of the tribal leaders. So, who is going to bless them? You should. You should teach them and renew them, otherwise heavenly fortune will not come to you. Do you understand? That's the direction. It's no use for you to go abroad to be missionaries. You should all go back to your hometowns. You should reorganize the family standard, the standard I have established starting from the 36, 72, 120, 430, 777, 1800, 2000 couples...and so forth up to the 400 million couples. If you work from that standard, we can realize the unification of Korea in less than a month. I told people in North Korea that blood was thicker than water.

Democracy cannot change blood lineage. Blood lineage is blood lineage. You should cut off the fallen blood lineage and connect it to the true blood lineage. In that way, we can have a new blood lineage. You can never do that with money, knowledge or some kind of political power. Am I right or not? Am I right or not? [You are right.] Thousands or tens of thousands of years may pass, but the earth does not change. That parents should love their children, husbands

should love their wives and wives should love their husbands are absolute principles. That does not change. Cheating on spouses can never be permitted. If you are going to cheat on your spouse, it would be better to first cause your own father and mother to divorce! Is there anyone who wants to have divorced parents? A woman that is unwilling to die for her man is foolish and has failed to truly love. And a man who is unwilling to die for his wife and children and won't live that kind of life is also foolish. They cannot go through the gate to the heavenly world. Do you understand? How do boundaries arise? To go through them, you must do what I've told you.

So, then you must build embassies for the Ambassadors for Peace. The peace embassies will be in the position of a mother helping the nation. They will be responsible for educating young children. Having a tradition of keeping chastity before marriage should absolutely be your standard. You should be an example.

England, America and France have been enemies to one another. There should be marriages between people from countries that have been enemies. Parents should respect children from a country that is an enemy of their country more than their own children, have their children marry them and bless them to have better lives than they ever did. Then a third nation, the heavenly nation, is born. At that point, the two enemies disappear. Do you understand?

Which nations have been Japan's enemies? Korea and which else? China. What others? Russia. And? America. If, in order to fulfill its responsibility as the mother nation to take care of those four nations, Japan disappears, they will be one. Japan could turn into the nation that gives birth to the heavenly nation. After ten, twenty or thirty years, even if Japan no longer exists, the flag of the mother country of Japan will soar in heaven and on earth. People will be indebted to you through receiving education.

Two different worlds cannot continue to exist simultaneously. Leaves that cannot help fruit to grow will have to fall off and will end up rotting and becoming fertilizer. Do you understand?

All the people who have opposed the Unification Church could have helped us gather fruit at harvest time, but they all fell apart along the way. They will lose power gradually.

When the sun goes down, American, Russian and Chinese ideas and ideologies will face the darkness of night. At that point, it will be dawn for the Unification Church. Because morning is coming, I can talk this way to you. How long is morning? If you divide a day into four parts, morning lasts about eight hours. And soon the morning becomes lunchtime. So, we are busy.

Do we need the embassies? Through the embassies, we can educate sons and daughters, husbands and wives. You must never, ever fall. Absolutely not. You are the representatives that must save the nation on behalf of God. You must expand your foundation. You must mobilize all your ancestors at the same time and push them. The nation will peel its own skin off as snakes do, five times a year. A cobra peels its skin off five times a year. It does it from the top of its head. It has to work seriously to entirely peel its skin off. First, it develops holes and peels the skin from its head and then passes through stones that grab the dead skin and peel it off backwards. It almost has to die to live a new life. I think it is better off than we are. I think of how wonderful it would be if a man could restore himself that way.

Do you want to learn such a thing or not? I am asking a question! [We should learn it.] Why don't you answer? Does that mean you do not want to learn it because it is too hard? Do you have to do it even if it is hard to learn? [We should do it.] Even if your heads were cut off, you would still have to learn. If you were snakes, you should be determined to keep your own eggs alive in your bellies to complete the work at your death. We need our offspring. Do you understand? What are offspring? You must have children. If a father and mother have five or six children, no one can cut off that lineage. You should create a lineage that is something like an unbreakable rope. If you think of the world as a one big ship, you should create guy ropes that cannot be broken even in heavy storms. You should be unbreakable ropes. Say it. [We should be unbreakable ropes.]

Do you know anchors? Their ropes must not break during storms. This is the idea of the Unification Church. The Unification Church Principle is the king of ropes. It is like a wire cable and should not break. Didn't the world want to cut me off? But they could not. So the satanic world ended up being

in such a mess. Now the world has no choice but to give in. The top of the satanic world has already surrendered to me. Now we can purge away all the followers of Satan at one fell swoop.

From now, I am going to be a frightening figure. Should I slow down or should I speed up? Should we take ten years, or should we take ten months? Should we take ten months, or should we take ten days? God wants to be done with it in ten hours. I have such a mind-set. Not even ten days but ten hours. Wars, life and death can all be decided in ten hours. I am busy. You do not have to report anything to me now. You should find the nation. Do you understand?

Do we need the embassies or not? [We need them.] If you were to sell off the land of Japan to build the world embassy in Japan, Japan would disappear. At harvest time, you will bear a thousand or ten thousand times greater fruit. Japan will not perish. A mother that sacrifices everything for



True Parents arrive at East Garden, March 5th

her children, even if she has to dig for food from trash cans, will have children that can grow up to be judges or public prosecutors. Just like that, if a nation makes a national-level sacrifice, the descendants will grow up to be leaders with the authority of a liberator. Amen.

Promise to realize the liberation of our homeland. You should ask me to trust you to fulfill your mission.

If you are asked to sacrifice being with your wives and children in order to save the nation, are you willing? [We are.] Look straight at God when you say that. Will you or will you not? [We will.] Who will build the peace embassies? Who? The mother should. The father does not have a role. The father should bring the seed of true love and true life in the Last Days. He should bring life. The only thing the mother needs is the seed. Do you understand? The Eve nation, England, received the blessing of the Christian cultural realm and the free world, but that blessing went to Japan forty years ago.

If Japan does not fulfill her responsibility as the mother nation—and this should not come about—it will be very serious. If they *do* fulfill their responsibility they will create a road along which to lead the world forever. If they fail to fulfill their mission, however, they will create a hole full of lasting bitter feelings. In order for their children to get out of that hole of bitterness, they should be willing to suffer even more than God has. They will never get out unless they build a foundation of being grateful for the tradition of True Parents and the ideals of the religious sphere. This is despite having to go through persecution as severe as that which Christians had to go through for four hundred suffering years in Rome. They should try to save the fallen world even more than God does. Otherwise, they will have no chance to get out of the hole. Members from Japan, do you understand?

Knowing this fact, you should not hesitate. You should not save yourselves. Do you understand? You are in your forties. Aren't you all in your forties? Those who are over fifty, raise your hands. You should preserve justice in the land of Japan. That way, Japan will resurrect. You should first love mothers. Mothers and children should unite together to love fathers. Through the unity of the entire family, Japan should offer herself to God. And you should make the Total Living Offering. In that way Japan can be resurrected and live eternally. That is the Principle viewpoint. Do you follow?

You should be that strongly determined, even if you have to be the captain of beggars. If you have to do ten or a hundred times more humble work, you should be willing to do so. The time has come. If I decide to go, God prepares everything. Do you really believe it is the age of kingship? None of you did. Have you generated some results from your faith or not? I alone created the tradition. No one believed in *Cheon Il Guk*. I worked for this myself.

These days, heads of nations and heads of political parties are agreeing with what I say. Any nation going against the traditional road of filial and patriotic people will perish. You will have to look at people right in the face. You should educate people fairly and squarely about the way of filial piety and patriotism. Those of you understand raise your hands. You've sworn that you understand...

It is time for us to be practical. I have raised you to be parents and now you are responsible to be grandparents who can raise grandchildren. I will invest the last penny I have for your sons and daughters to live good lives.

You should go back to your hometowns, have tribal meetings and do whatever needs doing. That is what I really want to tell you. I have put you through difficult courses several times in order for you to perfect yourselves in the heavenly nation, but you should not stop now. I will have to ask you to endure more suffering before I can say that you are free. You should at least offer some conditions, even if you have to do so many hundreds of times. There is no other way. Do you

understand what I mean? [Yes.]...

And next, I will hold a national fishing and hunting competition, not twice a year but four times a year, every season. Those who cannot fish or shoot a gun will feel left out! And you should learn fishing and hunting to feed people starving in cities. Cities always have rivers nearby, and animals also live near water.

Do you have boats? I instructed that each country have four boats. If that is not enough, you should buy your own boats in addition. There is no excuse. If more than one hundred members in a country have their own houses, they should have two boats, as I explained at the Cheju-do workshop. Did

I tell you or not? [You did.] So, in each nation, throughout the four seasons, by holding fishing competitions, we should feed those who are starving. With one boat we can fish to feed several hundred or thousands of people. Those people in Afghanistan who have no food and those in utter poverty in South America are all your brothers and sisters. They are God's children. As elder brothers, you should save them from death. That's how you can qualify to be heavenly, blessed elder brothers. If you cannot do that, you should put yourself in the trashcan. Do you understand or not? [We do.]...

Even if I wear suits, I don't usually wear ties. At home, I always walk around barefooted. I make conditions to save the world, especially the poor and starving people. I don't desire to decorate my body. I don't intend my wife to live luxuriously, putting oils on her body and so on. I have never lived like that. I use skin lotion that Mother no longer uses. I always save things. If two hundred people on this earth were to take care of one person, then twenty million people could be saved. If you can do it, you can call yourselves brothers and sisters. You must reverse your lifestyle of wasting things. And change your life that has not followed my tradition. You



should save up money every year for more than forty years and after that you should sell off your land or house for the sake of other people....

Based on your substantial record of how many couples you bless, hundreds or thousands of couples, you should make a videotape record. That will be your reward to keep in your family generation after generation. That will be the sign of your privilege in the heavenly nation. I'll give you special heavenly benefits without any hesitation. If you overcome the obstacles, I will want to give you an award.

Should I settle down or not? [Please settle down.] Those of you who do not want to settle down, raise your hands.

You should be serious about achieving things this year. You cannot sleep comfortably, you should save time and save sleep. You should think of yourselves as champions mobilizing soldiers out to the world as the royal people of the heavenly nation, and as warriors establishing a nation. Do you understand? [Yes.] Have you all raised your hands to participate in that providence? [Yes.] I'll trust you and prepare things accordingly. As time goes by, I think of better ideas. That's my worst habit....

And when would be the next blessing ceremony for pure, young people? Did you know there was a Pure Love College in Sun Moon University? Do people from the West know about pure love? Do you want to give birth to and raise children of pure love, Kim Bong-tae? [Yes.] You are responsible for the Pure Love campaigns, right? [Yes.] We have created a pure love tribe that extends worldwide. The time has come. The Pure Love Federation for World Peace...I am preparing for this time and era.

Unification Church members should keep the tradition of pure love. Should you or shouldn't you? [Yes we should.] You should think of leaving a lineage of purity for thousands and tens of thousands of generations, thousands of years and tens of thousands of years. You must think of how glorious and honorable your descendants will be. Your children should not be like dogs. Are you going to participate in the blessing ceremony for pure people? Even if you don't want to participate, you will be involved somehow. Those of you who do not have any achievements will be left out.

And next is the realm of *sa* [priest] *do* [head]. We must complete the twelve branches of the *sadoo* realm. What does it mean? Jesus had twelve apostles; I have one hundred and eighty *sadoo* families. All the blessed families I blessed starting from the 36, 72, 120, 430, 777, 1800, 2000...30,000, 360,000 up to the 400 million couples... If all of these couples get together to liberate their tribes, we can liberate the world in an instant. So, the time has come to recover the nations and the world. Are you going to just be following, or are you going to be in the lead?

Jacob's twelve tribes, Moses' twelve tribes and Jesus' twelve apostles and my what? My twelve *sadoo*. Center-

ing on "headism," we should digest the left and create one world religious realm. You must understand that you are the unification warriors that are responsible for organizing the liberation of the people and building the heavenly kingdom on earth and in heaven. Do you understand what I mean? You must complete the organizing of the twelve *sadoo* realms. If you are determined to have twelve couples in one *sadoo* realm, we can all finish our work in one year. If everyone restores his or her spouse, children, grandchildren, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, all together, one nation can be restored in one instant.

You think things are difficult. That's why they are difficult. If you think things are simple, then they are simple. It is true, you can digest a nation in an instant if you can organize your tribes based on the blessing foundation I have built. It is an interreligious and international era, there is nothing you should be concerned or hesitant about. You have already inherited the conditions.

He who is willing to lose his life...[shall gain it.] He who

wants to gain his life...[shall lose it.] Those who want to live comfortable lives will perish. It is upside down. I'm telling you what I know as a fact, so you should put it into practice. You should be the leaders and *sadoo*. Amen. [Amen]

What haven't I dealt with, yet? I haven't talked about soccer. All the young people in the Unification Church should create soccer teams. The CENE team came to the Cultural Festival and won the soccer competition. Is it true or not? [It's true.] Really? [Yes.] Yoo Chong-kwan says it's true. So, maybe I should believe it! At least three people from one hundred and eighty nations each should go through training and learn from the CENE

team. So, you should create a young soccer team, students from all over the world and have them trained to be famous worldwide.

Now, what time is it? Have you eaten your supper or not? [We haven't.] Are you going to eat your supper or not? You don't have to. From all that I have given to you today, the most important thing is to organize Ambassadors for Peace and tribal leaders. Unification Church members should fulfill your responsibility so that we can offer the liberation of people in front of peoples, nations and Heaven. So, I hope that you can confidently put into practice what you know. Do you understand? [Yes.] You have made resolutions many times. You should be victorious people who are not ashamed of your own resolutions. Do you understand what I mean? [Yes.] We have to hold many events. So, I have mentioned many ways to have events, and we should actually put them into practice so that the national representatives of the six continents will actually go out and witness.

Now, let's finish the meeting. I need to rest a little. Now, you should all eat something. I should go now, but I might not have time to eat....◆



Message from Heung-jin Moon

Conveyed from the spirit world on January 1 (True God's Day) 2002



This message was sent by Heung-jin nim through Hoonmo nim at Cheong Pyeong on January 1, 2002, the thirty-fifth True God's Day. It was addressed to True Parents and read to the seven thousand members gathered at the True God's Day celebration.

After True Parents' heard the message, Father said, "This message is so well expressed, and should be regarded as a clear illustration of the spirit world. Its contents must be published and seen by all members, who should apply it in their daily lives."

Following is a translation of the message from the Korean version published by Cheong Pyeong. We will publish the full content of this message in two parts.

TTrue Parents! I am so thankful, because through true love you have opened *Cheon Il Guk* and the new age in which we can live together with God and True Parents.

It was on July 8, 2001, that we performed the groundbreaking ceremony for the Original Temple Holy Ground, which Heaven, humanity and all creation have desired. We then went forward towards the goal you set for us, "Let us perfect the realm of heaven and earth's liberation as we inherit the heavenly fortune of true love." From the end of October to the end of December 2001, the speaking tour of the Nation of Cosmic Peace and Unity in Korea, Japan, and the U.S.A. led to the opening of the *Cheon Il Guk*. After witnessing these momentous events, I have no words to adequately thank you. I am sorry that I have not been able to report the situation in the spiritual world more often.

Most revered and esteemed True Parents! According to your guidance and blessing, I have been making a foundation here in the spiritual world as you have been continuously leading the providence on the earth. I have been educating those spirits who were collected at the Cheong Pyeong Heaven and Earth Training Center and brought up here to my training center in the spiritual world. Here they are educated and cleansed of their sins. They come down to be blessed on the earth, and afterwards they are educated in the way of true family. This is their foundation to be resurrected on the earth as they help their descendants to accomplish the providence according to True Parents' direction.

The Coronation Ceremony for the Kingship of God was the fruit of eighty years of True Parents' victories. This event especially caused amazing changes in the spiritual world. God's lineage is now being restored on the basis of True Parents' hard course of indemnity conditions. The Day of the Coronation of God's Kingship was indeed a historic day. On that day God and restored spirits wept for joy, as six thousands years of God's resentment was overcome. Truly, True Parents' heart of filial piety moved the whole cosmos. We want to take their example into our hearts to become mature children who give joy to our True Parents.

We have done a lot of work here in the spirit world with the love and attention of True Parents. Here I will report in detail on the ancestor liberation, Registration Blessing, and the process of raising spirits to the status of Absolute Good Spirits, as well as the changes that have ensued since the Coronation Ceremony for the Kingship of God.

Changes in the spiritual world resulting from True Parents' declarations

True Parents' greatest wish was to offer the Coronation of God's Kingship. To accomplish this historic ceremony, True Parents shed tears and sweat and blood throughout the eighty years of their life. True Parents had to make so many conditions before they could hold it, because the barriers in the spiritual world first had to be broken down.

With each victorious foundation, True Parents made a providential declaration in order to advance towards the coming of God's sovereignty on the earth and in the spiritual world. He then had to realize on the earth the content of the declarations through rallies. I want to discuss the meaning of recent declarations and report on the resulting changes in the spiritual world.

When I first arrived here, I encountered many difficulties as I tried to follow the will of True Parents. True Parents sent me here in the position of the Commander in Chief, but the atmosphere was not conducive to my working strongly. Among the spirits here, believers in different religions continued to insist on the ways, rituals and doctrines of their own religions in the same way as they had known them on earth.



Those who had not been religious were likewise set in their ways. None paid any attention to things beyond their limited vision.

God's intention is that all the religious people in the spiritual world should descend to work with their descendants and followers on earth, and be resurrected centered on True Parents by giving testimonies and bringing about the unity of religions. At that time, I did not have the right environment to make this happen. It was so difficult. Especially, there were no Absolute Good Spirits. There was only an evil spiritual world, an environment where evil spirits dominated and people's fallen natures were so strong that they took no interest in anyone but themselves. In most cases those who took an interest in others only did so because they wanted to get revenge for his or her suffering as a result of what happened to them on the earth.

Furthermore, I was hesitant to act, because I did not have a close relationship with Jesus or other religious leaders. The Christian churches were placed in the Abel position, because True Parents came on the foundation of the Christianity, to guide them to God's side. My unity with Jesus was important, but even more so was the unity between the Unification Church and Christian churches. True Father said that the Unification Church and Christian churches could unite on the earth through first establishing unity in the spiritual world. Yet, it was not easy to find the central point that could transcend the realms of religion, because each religion had its own rituals and culture. Especially, I had difficulty making a relationship with the saints and sages of the different religions.

In order to establish the realm of religious unity, in December 1996, True Parents called the founders of the four great religions and the twelve disciples of Jesus to attend a forty-day workshop at Cheong Pyeong.

Next, they went through a hundred-day workshop and explored the whole spiritual world. They learned the Principle and came to understand the spiritual world overall. Especially after their blessings, our relationship improved considerably. Through the course of a hundred days at the spirit world training center, these religious leaders learned who the True Parents are, and this brought us into unity of heart. Finally, after the blessing of the four great religious founders, the world religions are able to unite. Through this process, all the difficulties that I had in the beginning were overcome, so I could start working with confidence as the Commander In Chief of the spiritual world. This was possible only because of the love and blessing of True Parents.

True Parents held the blessing ceremony for Daemo nim, Dae-hyung nim and Choongmo nim on August 25, 1995. On December 1, 1997, they proclaimed the "Declaration of the Opening of the Blessing in the Spiritual World," through which Daemo nim and I were given the position to conduct blessings of spirit people. Since then spirits could receive the blessing with the absolute authority of the spiritual world.

The victory of the 40 million-couple Blessing resulted in cutting off Satan's lineage, and as the age when people could be connected directly to True Parents' lineage, the grace was given whereby True Parents' victory could be connected to the spiritual world.

I give thanks to our True Parents for the "Declaration of the Opening of the Blessing in the Spiritual World," as, through this, God can now completely liberate the heavenly world and go anywhere to spread His original heart of love.

On Easter Sunday, April 17, 1998, True Parents gave the "Declaration of the Opening of Elder Brotherhood, Parentship

and Kingship." Through this declaration, whatever could not be matched up centered on Jesus and my [Heung-jin nim] families...

Through the victory of the 360 million-couple Blessing was the proclamation of the cutting off of Satan's lineage on the worldwide level could be made.

Three nations—representing the father nation, mother nation and elder brother nation—had established an absolute unified foundation centered on True Parents, representing the nation of heaven and earth which is the center of universe. Now the gate of the liberated realm of the blessing is open on the earth and in heaven, with the sphere of unity in the spirit world and on earth being brought together.

On that foundation, blessings of 30,000 couples, 360,000 couples and 3.6 million couples reached the worldwide level. By 1998, the blessing had reached the cosmic level. This meant that not only the spirits on earth but also the spirits in the spiritual world could be blessed.

Most notably, in 1999 the declaration, "The Complete Liberation of Satan's Lineage and Accomplishment of the True Blessing on the Cosmic Level" enabled our ancestors in the spiritual world and on earth to go the way of liberation and work for unity on earth.

The "Liberation of the Cosmos" prayer in the Pantanal [May 14, 1999] and the "Declaration of Congratulations for True Parents' East and West (Global) Victory" [May 30, 1999] brought many more changes. Through these we arrived at the time when God could free the spiritual world and physical world and establish His sovereign nation of love and march forward to the world that He can govern. This was based on the victorious foundation laid by the True Parents through trampling the lineage of the false parents in Satan's world.

Furthermore, the blessed couples in the spiritual world could stand in the position of younger brothers and sisters to attend the blessed couples on the earth in the position of elder brothers and sisters. This created a new order between the physical world and spiritual world, which had previously been in a relationship of Cain and Abel. It set up a new realm of liberation and a new level—The Victorious Parents' Realm. Based on this, True Parents could hold the "Ceremony of Declaration to Congratulate True Parents' Cosmic Victory." Through this a great change came about: the time when Satan could take God's children by force ended, and the time when the ancestors of blessed couples can take their descendants to the Kingdom of Heaven by force arrived. We thus entered the Era of the Realm of Freedom and Liberation.

In the 79th year of True Father's life, when the number 9 appeared 9 times—9 minutes and 9 seconds after 9 o'clock on September 9, 1999—some five thousand members gathered in the Central Training Center at Sutaek-ri to hear True Parents make the "Declaration of the Ceremony for the Liberation of Cosmic Unification for the Parents of Heaven and Earth." The spiritual world also participated in this grand and beautiful ceremony to participate in True Parents' victory.

Through that declaration, the age changed from the era under Satan's dominion to the era of God's sovereignty. From that moment on the world changed so Satan has to take orders from God on the nation, tribe, family and individual levels. The cosmic True Parents restored the number 9, which had been lost, cut off the history of Satan, and declared that the final victorious era had come. At that moment, Satan surrendered to God. Satan could no longer cross the boundary into the realm on God's side. From that moment on, the sovereignty of unified love was established centered on the children in the spiritual world and on earth, vertically and

horizontally, and front and back, complete in every direction. Thus, the Realm of Kingship of the Unity of Love could be declared.

Today, this unworthy one whom you elevated to the position of a saint, family-level saint, thanks you very much. I know you raised me to save the family by bringing together into unity the blessed couples on the earth and in the spiritual world. I know you wish me to save the family. It entails reconnecting what was lost at the time of Jesus on the earth and expanding the ideal of the family to heaven. You have blessed this Cheong Pyeong providence, which has established the position of the spiritual parents of Jesus' time and established the position of the physical and spiritual parents who can officiate at the blessing. I am grateful that I could assist you in this way. It is entirely the result of your victory, and you deserve all the glory.

That was the historical Nine Nines Day [*Gu Gu Jeol*], when the Parents of Heaven and Earth could embrace the whole cosmos from the very summit, based on the "Declaration of the Ceremony for the Liberation of Cosmic Unification for the Parents of Heaven and Earth." Following that, you established Three Tens Day [*Sam Ship Jeol*].

In the year 2000, much change came in the spiritual world for the building of God's fatherland. In August, True Parents made the "Declaration of the Breaking Down of National Borders and the Realization of True Love."

True Parents then performed the "Chusok Ceremony for the Liberation of All Resentment" at East Garden, in the presence of True Children and 122 leaders. On that day, eight people faced the four directions in pairs, and the sprinkling of holy wine made a condition to sanctify the cosmos. They represented the whole Unification movement and all blessed couples in the spiritual world. Through the "Chusok Ceremony for the Liberation of All Resentment" we can now go forward to realize the Kingdom of Heaven of love where we can dominate all things everywhere, horizontally, in the east, west, north and south and the center, as well as vertically in every level. We can also go forward in one direction, toward one goal where all beings can be given life power. We are truly grateful for this opening of the way of loyalty and filial piety.

After the Chusok holiday, a declaration of the passing on of the authority to give the blessing ["The Transition of the Three Ages Realm of Oneness Unification Blessing"] (*See Today's World September 2000 issue*) was held at Cheonseong Wanglim Palace where four thousand blessed wives had gathered to attend the first twenty-one-day registration workshop. You bequeathed to me the right to give the blessing—this unworthy person whom you nevertheless have trusted and to whom you have bequeathed all your victories.

Everything you made victorious in the heavenly world, the liberated realm of God's ideal of creation, you have bequeathed to this unworthy one. The "Transition of the Three Ages Four Position Foundation Registration Unification Blessing" [the Registration Blessing] could be given on this foundation.

On October 14, 2000, True Parents performed the "Ceremony on the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Release from Heungnam Prison and Ceremony for the Liberation of the Spiritual World." It was attended by Young-jin nim, Hye-jin nim, Hee-jin nim, the four great founders of the major religions, philosophers, saints and sages, the four thousand people participating in the fourth twenty-one-day registration workshop, and myself. Centered on God, True Parents performed the ceremony, which opened the new *shimjung* culture of

the Kingdom of Heaven on the earth and in heaven. Now, there is a way open for even Satan, the Archangel, to enter the Kingdom of Heaven eventually. At that time, you commissioned me to lead the four major religious leaders of the world, conscientious people, and all philosophers in the same direction, toward the straight path of Heaven.

This was truly the love of True Parents. True Parents comforted God, even amidst suffering and at the risk of their lives. In order to save all mankind, True Father went to Heungnam Prison. Now, True Parents have connected the fiftieth anniversary of that day to the liberation of the cosmos, the liberation of the physical and spiritual worlds. I am so grateful for this blessing and love.

As True Parents performed the Total Liberation Ceremony, the walls in the spiritual world collapsed and the spirits in the spirit world were able to move freely. With this, great change came in the spiritual world.

The way of the spiritual world is quite different from what is commonly thought on the earth. A spirit cannot easily travel from one place to another. If it weren't for the declarations of True Parents and their constant love, it would be so difficult for me to work here.

The spiritual world is the world of mind. Once you are set in your mind and in your habits, it is not easy to change. Therefore, it is very difficult for religious people of different backgrounds to travel to each other's regions. In the spiritual world thought is reality itself, so differences in thinking manifest as high walls, or as steep cliffs with wide holes or many falling stones, making it difficult to move from place to place. Therefore, it was so difficult for spirits who lived in some remote region to venture outside their accustomed place.

Knowing this situation, True Parents brought victory by going the course of indemnity to make the foundation to perform the "Total Liberation Ceremony." Through this ceremony, countless boundaries between different regions were broken down. Of course not all the obstructions disappeared in that instant, and spirits still cannot easily go anywhere they please. At present though it is much easier to go from one place to another where the obstacles had been religious boundaries.

On December 3, 2000, forty days before the coronation of God's kingship, True Parents made the "Declaration of the Elimination of Hell and Registration for the Kingdom of Heaven" in Punta del Este, Uruguay, at a gathering of sixty-six members. This declaration holds a very important meaning. Hell and Paradise had been the source of God's sadness, but now they were being liberated. In the dominion of God, the law of love and heart surmounts hills and transcends national boundaries. With their release, the realm of liberation had finally arrived. The time had come for True Parents' grace to establish God's Kingship.

On January 13, 2001, the Coronation Ceremony for the Kingship of God was held at Cheonseong Wanglim Palace in Cheong Pyeong. This was the day heaven and earth completely rejoiced and the day the True Parents' lifelong wish was fulfilled. I thank True Parents for inviting the four of us True Children in the spiritual world, the True Children on earth, the four founders of the world's four great religions, and twelve thousand members from Korea, Japan, America and other nations to join in such a remarkable event.

For that day the Absolute Good Spirit ancestors of blessed couples served as God's ushers, and in the midst of angels and brilliant light, and with the fragrance of perfume, God Himself came down into the main hall of the Palace. Officiating at the ceremony, you, True Parents, enthroned God in His



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All the spirits have bright and peaceful expressions; they don't need to talk as they automatically care for each other. There is no fighting, no jealousy, no hate or arrogance, and no fallen nature. Everyone is filled only with true love. However, only people who were blessed through the True Parents can enter this place. Even people on earth who led a good life cannot enter the Kingdom of Heaven unless they have been blessed.

You cannot go to this place by living in a haphazard way. In order to enter the Kingdom of Heaven you have to live a clean and beautiful life, crystal clear with no blemishes. In order to live here you must have a smile on your face and a light that shines like jewels. Blessed couples should examine themselves every hour of their life to check whether they are truly becoming citizens of the Kingdom of Heaven by leading an earthly life of which they will not be ashamed in any way.

As you descend from the Kingdom of Heaven, you will encounter many different regions of the spiritual world. Many

original proper position, having passed through the course of restoration through indemnity. This was the ceremony connecting the autonomous and liberated heaven and earth to God's realm of love where God can be present, based on True Parents' promise and proclamation, starting from this day. Once more, I congratulate you!

True Parents have worked hard throughout their whole lives to restore God's dignity and bring God to His rightful position. Their life-long victorious indemnity conditions and the content of their declarations were focused on this very purpose. God said, "Truly, True Parents' hearts of filial piety are beyond what anyone can describe." In the spiritual world, all this is well known. This unworthy one also wants to be like you, always making God happy. I will make every effort to attend True Parents and allow them to feel comforted.

The situation of and changes in the spiritual world

Dear Beloved True Parents, I want share this for the sake of the members, that they may understand the changes taking place in the spiritual world and its situation in detail.

If you want to ascend to heaven, first you have to go through a door between the middle level of the spiritual world and paradise. As you enter, you see fog, such as you see when you climb a mountain just before you reach the summit; looking down you see the fog beneath you, and as you descend the fog again gets thicker and thicker. But as you continue upward and approach the Kingdom of Heaven, it gets brighter.

In the Kingdom of Heaven, you will see green grass everywhere. Birds are singing, flowers are blooming in profusion, and animals are playing happily together. The air is fresh and filled with fragrances like lilac. Bright light shines throughout, more beautiful than diamond and clear as crystal. As you stand there, you feel so comfortable and refreshed. A feeling of love and happiness fills you. Unlike in earthy life, in the Kingdom of Heaven these happy feelings are continual.

In the Kingdom of Heaven there is no anxiety or suffering.

people on earth think that there are only two different places: Heaven and hell. In reality, there are many regions, from very evil places to very good places. Although there are many different levels, any level other than the Kingdom of Heaven is not at all comfortable, because the people fight each other, insisting that their opinions alone are correct. Each region is filled with people who are of the same type, so it is not comfortable to remain there.

For example, in the region where people who were accustomed to stealing things on earth dwell, they are ever thinking that other people will steal things from them. Amid such distrust of others, fighting goes on continually.

When they come here most of the spirits are placed in various regions of hell and the middle realms. Where they are placed is decided by how they lived their lives on the earth. Therefore, if you don't want to suffer in hell you must not live an unprincipled life, but go the way of absolute faith, absolute love and absolute obedience. God is only goodness and love. Unless we make effort to resemble God, we cannot enter the Kingdom of Heaven.

If you descend further into the lower regions, you come to regions of hell where you cannot breathe. It is dark and scary, and it has a terrible smell, worse than the smell of rotten meat or fish. Deformed figures appear in front of you, biting each other, yelling and screaming at each other. Some regions are filled with burning holes, and in them are people who are forever angry at each other. The worst regions are reserved for those who were sexually corrupt or who committed suicide. It is difficult to look at the many ugly figures there, who are slithering all about like snakes. People living on the earth don't recognize how frightening it is in these areas. If you could see it, you would not be able to remain there even for a minute. Fortunately, all blessed couples have had their original sin forgiven and have the chance to cleanse their ancestors' sins, collective sins, personal sins and fallen nature. Yet blessed couples don't recognize how precious and valuable is the grace that they possess.

As the Principle teaches us, no one forces people to go

to a particular region of the spiritual world, but people find their own place by their own will according to the spiritual level they attained on the earth. If only we could make people understand this, they would know how to live in the future.

The colors of the different regions of the spiritual world differ, one from another, from the Kingdom of Heaven to hell. The Kingdom of Heaven is extremely bright and white, clean like flawless white jade. But as we descend the colors become darker and darker and it is dirtier. Descending from the Kingdom of Heaven the color turns beige, then darker shades of purple. Descending to still lower regions the color becomes light brown, then gray, dark gray, black and pitch black. The more sins that were committed, the darker the color. Also, spirits who committed many sins with a certain part of their body show dirtier and darker colors on that part. After receiving the blessing, people can get rid of their fallen nature and live in the Kingdom of Heaven. The more true love they possess, the closer they can get to the Kingdom of Heaven. But the more fallen nature they have, the darker their spirit self becomes and the darker a place they go to.

It is so important after we receive the blessing to remove evil, resentful spirits and to remove our fallen nature, because this will decide our environment after we go to the spiritual world. People may enjoy their wealth, power and good position, but the situation in the spiritual world is so different. The more money a person misused the money he had on earth, the higher the position that he misused, the greater their troubles are in the spiritual world.

In *Divine Principle* it reads, "Sin is a violation of heavenly law which is committed when a person forms a common base with Satan, thus setting a condition for give and take action with him." Most people think of sin only as personal sin, but there is original sin, ancestral sin and collective sin as well. We are burdened with sins inherited from our ancestors even though we personally did not commit them, and we are also responsible for sins that were committed collectively.

Briefly, being a fallen person means being the result of six thousand years' of fallen human history—a mixture of good and evil. People inherit good and evil character from their ancestors, but living in the world where there is more evil than good, evil acts are continuously repeated. When we say that there are many evil spirits in the bodies of people on the earth, it is the result of personal sins and ancestral sins passed down through the lineage. For every sin there is always a cause, because it is the result of a condition of having had give and take action with Satan. Thus, there is a story behind every sin, and someone was its cause. Maybe an ancestor of the person, while living on the earth gave great difficulty and pain to someone, and that person came to have resentment. Now this resentful spirit has come down to the descendant of that ancestor to get revenge by trying to influence him to commit sin. Such a cause might also manifest as sickness or pain.

All modern diseases have spiritual causes that are connected to the sins of ancestors. By looking at the sicknesses and difficulties of descendants, we can make inferences about the life of their ancestors. If the ancestors had stolen things from others or misused public things or money, their descendants often suffer from stomach problems. If they had many sexual transgressions, their descendants may suffer from diseases of the sex organs, be unable to bear children, have problems being faithful or get divorced after marriage. Ancestors who did not see things about others correctly and hurt them, have caused their descendants to have children who are born blind, mute or deaf. In other words, according to the way pain was given, the descendants suffer with the same kind of

troubles. The heavier the ancestors' sins, the more difficult it is to heal the resulting sickness; it may not even be curable.

If people on the earth do not clear up these sins through paying the required indemnity, the suffering is passed down to their children. Later, when those people come to the spiritual world and watch their children suffer, they regret that they did not clear things up for them. They lament, "If only I had borne my suffering on earth, my children would not need to suffer now."

Therefore, unless people clear up all the sins passed down from their ancestors, as well as the personal sins they committed themselves, they cannot escape from sickness and pain. The sins are so great and so numerous that they cause countless evil spirits to infest the bodies of people on the earth. There are multitudes of them, each the size of an ant's egg. In reality, spirits can control their size freely. These evil spirits make themselves tiny in order to infest people's bodies in large numbers.

When you look at a spirit, it may appear as it was as a human being or as it was at the time of death. Sometimes a spirit appears as an animal or as an insect according to how he or she lived on the earth. A person who had a hot temper might have the appearance of a tiger. A person who delighted in tricking others might look like a fox, and a person who was sexually promiscuous might look like a snake.

Dear most precious True Parents! My training center is located right next to the Kingdom of Heaven. The Kingdom of Heaven is not yet open, because it will be opened only after True Parents arrive here. Those who are prepared will enter on that day. I am glad that we have this training center, because we need it in order to restore all people in the spirit world. I can never thank you enough for providing it. Now we are able to create Absolute Good Spirits. This means we have now created a realm where Satan cannot invade. As the number of Absolute Good Spirits increases, the territory of God and True Parents increases. Satan's evil work is diminished, and the hope of establishing the Kingdom of Heaven opens up on the earth.

Looking at our progress in liberating evil spirits, some may question whether it would be easier if we were to restore all the evil spirits on the earth at once. But that is not the way of the Principle. God cannot intervene in the choices of fallen human beings, who fell into the midway position. God cannot intervene with His power, and Satan cannot intervene either. Each person alone decides whose side he or she is on by the conditions he or she makes and who is in the rightful position to intervene. Only when a person makes a condition for God, can God intervene in that person's life. Therefore, in order to remove evil spirits we need to make indemnity conditions by understanding our sins and the sins of our ancestors. Otherwise, the separation or liberation of evil spirits is very difficult. The same principle applies in blessing our ancestors. We need to make conditions so that our ancestors can be liberated and sent to the training center in the spiritual world, where they become the Absolute Good Spirits who will be the foundation for God to come down to earth.

As of this time, True Parents have achieved the cosmic-level victory. They have liberated the spiritual world and have broken down the boundaries between religions in the spiritual world. True Parents have created the environment to establish the Kingdom of Heaven and to break down national boundaries.

On this basis, evil spirits are being restored to become Absolute Good Spirits. Especially, all the declarations that True Parents proclaimed from 1990 up to the Coronation of

God's Kingship made the victorious foundation to restore Absolute Good Spirits and send them to the earth. This work would have been impossible unless the Messiah, the eternal True Parent, had done it.

I want to mention something about how the spirit world has been moving. Since the fall, the gradually increasing work of evil spirits suddenly changed in the 1980s and evil spirits greatly increased their activities on the earth. The reason for this was that, until now, the central figures of the providence did not clearly know the identity of Satan, the root of sin, or the nature of original sin. Satan, therefore, could freely and constantly construct a world centered on himself.

However, after the True Parents came into the world the situation started changing. After revealing the identity of Satan, and furthermore, in setting conditions so that Satan (about whose personality and disposition True Father had understood in detail) could no longer set foot on the earth, True Parents brought victory in the providence of restoration.

As this unfolded, Satan began to get nervous. Consequently, Satan mobilized the evil spirits in the spiritual world to work with the evil spirits in the bodies of people on the earth by Satan's stimulating their resentment and their desire to take revenge on the descendants of the people who caused them pain. In particular, Satan watched closely for opportunities to invade blessed couples. Whenever he found any conditions to do so, he put evil spirits into blessed couples' bodies, and prevented these couples coming closer to God.

God expected that blessed couples would make unity of heart with Him and True Parents by living with absolute faith, absolute love and absolute obedience. Satan cannot invade such blessed couples. But when the blessed couples acted in unprincipled ways, they made conditions for Satan to invade them. In fact, most blessed couples expected that the victory of True Parents would protect them; they didn't look deeply at themselves to check whether they had anything for which Satan could accuse them. They didn't reflect on whether any fallen nature remained in them. Therefore, at least from now on, we must work hard to purify ourselves from evil and sin and be reborn as original, true children.

Blessed couples must know that they have many, many evil, resentful spirits within them. Blessed couples should know how to separate these evil spirits and be cleansed of sins. They must work hard to clean this up while they are on the earth. Do blessed couples doubt it when I say that they have many evil spirits in them? The proof is that they still commit so many evil deeds and retain so much fallen nature.

From this point of view, liberating our ancestors is the way to straighten out all the complicated matters passed down through the lineage and to restore the original lineage. All the sins committed by ancestors are passed down to their descendants; therefore, members are pushed to commit sins in spite of themselves. By clearing up the invisible world, True Parents' saving hands are reaching down to us. Their desire is that members will no longer be tempted by Satan and can live according to the original way.

As time passes, people will see the difference between the lives of members who have invested to liberated evil spirits and those of members who have not. The more evil spirits there are in a person, the more difficulties that person will have to face. The fewer evil spirits he or she has, the more comfortable and happy his or her life will be. Therefore, each of us must reach the absolute standard, which is in accord with the ideal standard of the Kingdom of Heaven. Let us overcome our fallen nature and go the way of true children, the way acceptable to God. This is most important.

Therefore, you members must not take this matter lightly and just be bystanders. You must take it seriously and by all means remove the evil spirits from your bodies. Participate with the determination to uproot all the evil and all your fallen nature. Just as evil spirits can change to become Absolute Good Spirits, so also must you on the earth heed the voice of your conscience and original mind and pursue the way of perfection, that you may resemble God.

Through the Coronation of God's Kingship, the Transition of Three Ages Four Position Foundation Registration Unification Blessing, the liberation of ancestors and the blessing of ancestors, the time has now come to open and enlarge the history of goodness.

Now is the time when all the people on the earth can be cleansed of their fallen nature and be reborn into the state before the Fall. Now, when the spiritual and physical worlds are changing and developing at the same time, everyone must go out and witness, testify to the True Parents and teach the Divine Principle, in order that all people on the earth may go to the Kingdom of Heaven.

In order for all mankind to be blessed and enter the Kingdom of Heaven, the numbers of Absolute Good Spirits must be increased. It is important that members take this responsibility to further the progress of the providence of restoration.

No evil spirit can invade an Absolute Good Spirit. Evil spirits cannot bear to look at the bright light shining from an Absolute Good Spirit. But Absolute Good Spirits can see evil spirits and are able to drag them out of earthly people's bodies. Now, as Absolute Good Spirits are descending to earth, evil spirits are losing the base upon which to be active. Evil spirits have misled good people whose spiritual senses are partially open by coming to them in the guise of good spirits and leading them astray. To prevent members from being misled, the evil spirits who are cleared from their bodies are made into Absolute Good Spirits. No one can be misled once all five spiritual senses are completely open, but this will be possible only after the evil spirits are cleared out completely and the person is united with the heart of God and True Parents. For this reason, all members must work hard to become spiritually clean and unite with God and True Parents' realm of heart. This is the way we will prevent the divisions that plague Christians, who, although they believe in the same Jesus, divided into denominations and became enemies.

In order to build one family under God with our True Parents, members must clear up this potential problem so that no one will come pretending to be this or that.

True Parents are on the earth, but they are in the spiritual world as well. When you go to the Kingdom of Heaven, you can see True Parents sitting beside the throne of God. This is how all spirits could accept True Parents as the Messiah. Only the people dwelling on the earth don't know this clearly, because they see True Parents from a humanistic standpoint.

When the participants in my training go and visit True Parents in the spiritual world, they get to meet the smiling, loving True Parents. True Parents are eternal beings who can travel freely between the earth and heaven. Only on the earth are people still ignorant of the value of True Parents; this makes me truly so sad. I am so happy and grateful to live with the eternal True Parents. On earth, members trapped by their busy daily schedules may sometimes forget about True Parents. Here, no matter what, they cannot forget the eternal value of True Parents. ♦

The final part will be in the next issue of Today's World.

Toward the Unification of the Spiritual and Physical Worlds



Over the years, True Parents have built a foundation upon which to gradually break down the walls within the spirit world and between the spirit world and the physical world. The progress that is made is marked by special declarations. (See also Heung-jin nim's message, page 10, and Message from the Publisher, page 2)

In Kona, Hawaii, at eleven o'clock in the evening on March 1, 2002, with Daemo nim (Hoonmo nim), the international president of FFWPU, all continental directors and eighty-seven Korean national messiahs in attendance, True Parents held a declaration ceremony for the complete liberation of the spirit world and physical world. March 1st was the day from which the 120-day fishing condition—for which True Parents had originally brought the national messiahs to Hawaii—was to begin.

After he spoke, Father placed Hoonmo nim (representing Heung-jin nim and Daemo nim, and the spirit world) at the front. He asked Hoonmo nim to offer a prayer to Heaven.

Father then placed Rev. Hwang Sun-jo of Korea (representing the Adam nation), Rev. Yoo Jeong-ok, overall chairman of the movement in Japan (representing the Eve nation) and North America continental director Rev. Yang Chang-shik (representing the Elder-son nation)—all representing the physical world—in a row behind Hoonmo nim. He then asked Rev. Hwang to offer a prayer. Next, Father asked Rev. Chong Su-won, from the 36-couple blessing, representing all blessed couples from around the world, to offer a prayer. Finally, Father and Mother together offered their benediction, which concluded the ceremony for the unification of the spiritual and physical worlds.

Father said that because of this ceremony, through which the unification of the spiritual and physical worlds was brought about, the spirit world would take the initiative and cooperate in the work for the 144,000-couple clergy blessing.

From Rev. Hwang's prayer: "On March 1, 2002, together with True Parents who are the origin of true love, true life and true lineage, we are holding an amazing ceremony of blessing and love, a ceremony to proclaim a new era..."

With the unification of the spirit world and physical world, the ancestors and descendants become one in their attendance of True Parents, who are holding this ceremony for the settlement of *Cheon Il Guk*...

We, who are gathered here as representatives of all humankind, representatives of the spirit world and representatives of history, as representatives of the world and of all things, pray that this will be a wonderful new page in history that opens a new era."

Photo: Conducting the ceremony (Hoonmo nim not in picture)

Father's Benediction

The second part of Father's prayer (the contents of the first part were inaudible on the tape).

We know how hard You, Father, had to work for this blessing to be possible for us. We are grateful from the bottom of our hearts that You are allowing this time of liberation to enable us to have the blessing ceremony of all nations which will be the key to opening the heavenly nation of liberation, thus liberating the miserable spiritual and physical worlds. We are truly grateful for God's grace for having raised us directly. We are truly grateful to You for having given us the special privilege to hold all the blessings, starting from the 36 couple blessing, 72-couple blessing, 6000-couple blessing, 30,000-couple blessing, 360,000-couple blessing to the 3.6 million couple blessing.

Thank you so much for the chance that we, as Parents, were able to connect the spiritual world and the physical world together based on the original standard. Centering on us, as Parents, there should be unity between three nations—the Adam nation (the father nation), the Eve nation (the mother nation) and the Elder-son nation. Centering on these three nations, the special right for the blessing transcending nations and races must be realized absolutely among twelve tribes. Please allow the blessing of the Parents being absolutely united, and heaven and earth to be absolutely united centering on You. Please allow the three nations to be as one, so that we can set up the realm of eternal liberation in the course to liberate the people of the heavenly nation, by uniting all peoples.

We, True Parents, sincerely ask of You, Heavenly Father, who hold the throne in the heavenly world, to reorganize the earthly and spiritual worlds by actualizing Your all-transcendence, all-immanence and full capability. The three nations must be united to realize true peace in the spiritual and physical worlds. Please, Father, take care of the organizing of the twelve tribes. That way, we can see the unity of the three nations and You can claim the nation of liberation. Please protect us, we who have determined to go forward to win victory. We proclaim the sphere of independence for the sake of the liberation of one world—the physical and spiritual worlds, the age of liberation of the unified nation at the time of cosmic liberation. Please accept the change of supremacy as the model of love in the spirit world of glory, and in the heavenly nation of all of heaven and earth. Please, Heavenly Father, forgive all existing evils in this world in the name of True Parents. We sincerely pray and ask, from the bottom of our hearts, that You will proclaim this. We proclaim this in the name of True Parents. Amen, Amen, Amen. ♦



Missionary in the Blood

The experiences of a teenager in South Asia

*Moon Hwa McLackland
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My family was invited to write about our life of faith and pioneering in Asia. I hope that I, a girl who's a little over fifteen years old, can express enough gratitude and love to our True Parents and all those who have helped us live a more sacrificial way of life.

My British father and German mother were blessed in the 2000-couple Blessing [New York, 1982]. My story begins in Thailand where my younger sister and brother and I were born. My parents were lecturers in the Thai church when they were asked by the continental director, in 1990, to come to India and pioneer along with two other families who were already working here: the Nishis in the north and the Hasegawas in the south.

As not much of a foundation had been laid, a number of three-, five-, seven- and twenty-one-day workshops were held to attract new members, and some German and guitar classes were also introduced to speed up the increase in membership. Development was slow and gradual with mostly only people from the south becoming members, because they had more of a Chris-



Photos: left, Moon Hwa (right) and her sister Sun Hwa with two Japanese sisters at the Sabarmati Ashram in Ahmedabad, Gujarat, which was Gandhi's first Ashram and home. When Gandhi began his independence movement he vowed not to return there until India was freed from colonial rule. Alas, he died before seeing the realization of his people's dream. Below, Indian church members and Japanese missionary sisters

tian background.

Meanwhile, we McLackland kids joined the local schools and even started to learn Hindi. We had baby-sitter after baby-sitter to look after us. In 1993, True Mother came to India as part of her speaking tour. With the support of all the members from India, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and Bangladesh the tour was successful and our bonds with the VIPs grew stronger. The church really became active when ten Japanese sisters arrived in 1994. With their help we were able to contact VIPs and do active witnessing. We started helping and supporting an afternoon school

for street children; it was interesting to see Indian kids singing and dancing to Japanese songs.

True Father and Mother came to India during their tour in 1995. Again, with the help of the whole region, their visit was a success. This was the first time I saw True Parents in person, let alone had a second's eye contact.

When Father gave every blessed couple a new mission country, other blessed families were assigned to India. Rev. Lee, Mr. Oyama and the Harts moved to India in 1996, and by the end of September, with some difficulty (as it is a Muslim monarchy), we moved to [our new country] Bahrain. Though we sadly wished our "homeland" goodbye, we were excited to encounter whatever adventures awaited us in Bahrain. Whereas we had been living in one room in the church, I was excited to taste life with my family alone in a three-room apartment—to have meals with just us, not to have any other members with whom to share my parents' love, and to be taken care of by my parents and not baby-sitters. This was my immature, selfish joy—for the first two years.

Since our furniture, electronic goods, and other things had all not been our own, we arrived with only clothes and books in an empty ten-square-meter apartment. Papa was there as a journal-



ist for the *Middle East Times* and Mama worked as an English and German teacher and sometimes translator at various institutes. I remember the day we bought our car in 1999. It was so important to us, as it was the only convenient means of transportation.

Bahrain has a mixed population—there were families and people from all countries, because it is an important trading center in the Arabian Gulf. During the first two years, another blessed family, Rev. [Lee Sang-jin]’s family, lived on the tiny, almost invisible island with us. We would gather at their house for “Friday Service.” Their grandmother died there in 1999, and later that year they were assigned to work in Turkey. That left only our family in the sandy spiritual desert.

Papa tried to give holy candy to people through churches, mosques, schools and friends. On our birthdays, we would distribute these candies to our friends and teachers at school. Mama would invite her students and co-workers for tea and try to introduce the blessing, but it was really difficult, because we might have been kicked out of the country had we been identified as missionaries, especially without having government permission. It was then that we really began to miss our members, the busy schedule and active church life; but I didn’t take this opportunity—to be with Papa and Mama almost twenty-four hours a day—for granted. Friday Service was just our family taking turns discussing speeches and *hoondokhae* matter.

We studied in Indian schools, because they were much cheaper than the British ones. In fact, we had grown so “Indian” that we would blush and giggle on seeing another foreigner. Later, when we were more stable (with a lot of help from the Lees), we joined the British Club and soon learned about “their” world. It was interesting to go to an Indian school in the morning and then to the British Club in the after-

noon. We found out, however, that we were socially more comfortable with the humble, purer, Indian group.

We did visit Germany to bless Mama’s mostly atheist family in 1998. How Asian we had grown! The secular, materialistic, new world was incredibly shocking. I felt that we were so protected from all that satanic junk. On arriving back at the comparatively clean-spirited Bahrain Airport, some Muslim airline officials, cleaners, and others were praying at 5:00 AM all together in public. How beautiful it looked!

We visited a holy ground, which had been made by a Japanese missionary in 1985, weekly. At times, we got some spiritual guidance through dreams and revelations, which helped us feel more secure and comforted. Papa and Mama also invited a few ministers, professors and VIPs to our conferences held around the Middle East. I think they could understand our heart the best.

During the week of the registration blessing in Cheong Pyeong, because we could not afford five air tickets to Korea, we stayed at home with no “physical” adult supervision but with definite “spiritual” supervision. We had the time of our lives. Just before my parents left, I found what looked like a will in a drawer. Papa said that it was in case anything happened on their journey back home together. I don’t think I have ever been so scared. Together we cooked, cleaned, washed, ironed, went to school and did *hoondokhae* almost like orphans. It was an awesome experience. As brother and sisters, we learned how important it was to cooperate and be united. We must have had lots of ancestors and spirits watching over us.

Soon, in December, Mama was



called back to India, because there had been quite a gradual fall in the church and help was needed. To go back to India was totally unbelievable! Not even in our dreams could this happen! She went there immediately and the rest of us started making plans for selling and packing things. We arrived in India on the 2nd of April 2001. Though we hadn’t gained any new spiritual children in Bahrain, we did feel that our stay there helped to lay at least some foundation for future work. During the last few months of our stay, Bahrain did introduce some sort of democratic policies, and we felt that we had helped that to happen.

I was anxious to stand on the land I sometimes like to call home, knowing that my parents would have many other children to take care of and bring up. I was prepared to face the fact that God needed my parents for India more than for my own petit satisfaction.

We met the Angelucci family when they welcomed us at the airport. They are actually working for Afghanistan through India, because Afghanistan is in a difficult situation. For us kids it was a just wonderful dream come true to see another blessed family, two long years after the Lee family had left. At last, there were people who truly knew who we were—a blessed family—

something no one in Bahrain had understood.

We had three fundraising teams come from Nepal for forty-day training, one after another, along with some Indian members. I did my first official seven-day workshop with them. In June, two Japanese

Making friends in Bahrain society



The McLackland family on a break in Bahrain





At a temple with dignitaries after delivering True Parents' speech, July 2001

sisters, an Indian brother, Mama, my sister and I visited the areas around the western state of Gujarat that had been damaged by a severe earthquake six months earlier. We gave a donation to a local school that takes care of the orphans. Showing our white, foreign faces to all the shy, giggling young children was a charity in itself. We also visited the home of Mahatma Gandhi (the most famous and highly respected patriot during the British rule of India), which is in Gujarat. I felt that he knew we needed his support. With the British having tortured India and having occupied her property for two hundred years, it is no wonder that a Briton has to indemnify that and bring India back

to God.

While we kids were busy studying in our Indian schools and witnessing at the local universities, the visiting and blessing of friends and contacting of VIPs began. In November, ten Japanese sisters came to India. They helped us expand our activities and invite more people to our Saturday and Wednesday lectures, which are mostly based on International Educational Foundation (IEF) material. We also hold Divine Principle lectures for those who are more curious about us and are ready to listen. With the sisters we distributed clothes to the people living in slums, held cleaning campaigns at the universities and offered some donation to our good, old afternoon school for street children. We even had Santa Claus give presents to them for Christmas. On the 3rd of January, one of our sisters gave birth to a healthy baby girl. We are all impressed by her faith in leaving her husband and four children back in Japan and coming to this foreign land. Now that the sisters (except two who are still here) have left for America,

we are grateful for their hard work here and are harvesting the fruits of the seeds they have sown.

Dr. Frank Kaufmann [director of IIFWP's World Peace Institute] recently came to India and, with Mama, visited a number of Swamis, church ministers and important religious leaders all around India, to witness, testify to them about the blessing and encourage them to adopt the practice of giving the blessing to their own followers. They were all so enthusiastic.

Sometimes, I feel that I understand what the True Children went through. True Parents loved us members before they did their own children. Such is their heart. I am grateful that I could have such training and such an upbringing, an opportunity to understand, in a very small way, the things the True Family went through. Though we are small in number, we are planning to have a blessed children's workshop in May so that we can prepare and arm ourselves better for all the battles and challenges waiting for us in the future. ♦

Moon Hwa's parents are David and Ursula (Amala) McLackland. They have been missionaries in South Asia and the Middle East for more than twenty years and are currently the regional leaders for South Asia.



Greg Stone
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Father's vision for the Ambassadors for Peace is expressed through such efforts.

About 2,000 people in Cairo and 500 people in Suez City gathered for four-hour IIFWP afternoon seminars on two separate days in February. These were the first IIFWP seminars ever held in Egypt. They took place through the personal initiative of Ambassador for Peace Dr. Samir F. Hanna, a resident of Australia who was visiting family in Egypt.

Inspired by the vision of IIFWP that

he had experienced in conferences he had attended in Australia and Washington D.C., Dr. Hanna seized the opportunities that arose during his visit to Egypt. Due to the interreligious tensions, especially between the Muslim and Christian communities there, Dr. Hanna found that there was great interest in the work of IIFWP. On his own initiative and at his own expense he conducted two seminars to overflow, standing-room-only crowds.

Most of the attendees were from local Coptic Orthodox communities and the seminars focused on the following issues: how to harmonize with people of other faiths; youth issues including the dangers of drugs and alcohol, dealing with youth conflicts and anger, the

importance of sexual purity; the role of the media in interreligious conflict and the significance of the family.

Advice was also given about possible projects through which graduates could form a "Graduates Club" and take their own initiative in creating employment and business opportunities.

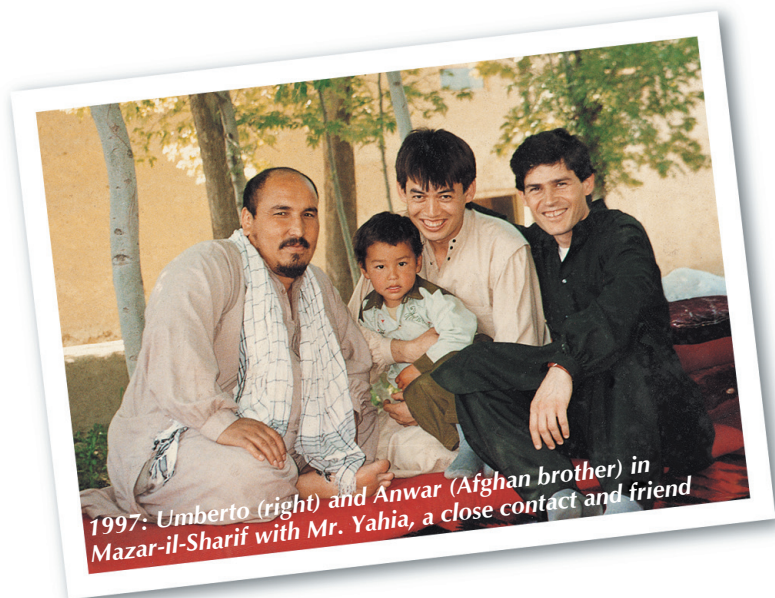
In Cairo, eight priests came to the event, and in Suez City two more were in attendance. A beautiful youth choir sang in Cairo. And at the end of each seminar there was question and answer time for nearly an hour.

Dr. Hanna was presented with a gift in appreciation for his efforts for peace. ♦

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Return to Afghanistan

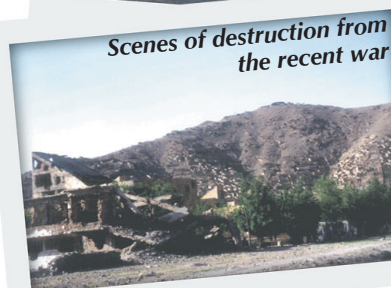
By Umberto Angelucci



1997: Umberto (right) and Anwar (Afghan brother) in Mazar-il-Sharif with Mr. Yahia, a close contact and friend



2002: With Italian doctor Gino Strada who built a hospital in Kabul



Scenes of destruction from the recent war

Umberto and Marilyn Angelucci have tried their best to serve their mission country of Afghanistan—a task that recent world events have not made any easier. Until now, perhaps. Umberto was there in February with IRFF and WFPW representatives.

As we flew over the grandiose mountains surrounding Kabul we felt deep joy to be able to enter Afghanistan after five years of waiting. From the sky we could see evidence of the American bombing, and especially on the ground we could see the destroyed aircraft pushed to the side of the runway like rubbish. As we entered the airport we could see the reality of the current situation. The electrical system, the luggage conveyance belt and all the modern facilities installed in the past had been destroyed. Even the light fixtures and wiring had been stolen. We were grateful that at least the runway was functioning properly.

Regardless of the effects of the war, we felt secure coming into the city. In order to connect properly to the local situation we went to visit the United Nations office. We met two Afghan senior UN employees who guided us in a very helpful way. They referred us to a guest house which became our home for the next sixteen days.

Because of the limited availability of

the flights to Kabul, we arrived at the time of *Id*, the most important Muslim holy day of the year. This caused us to alter our original schedule but allowed us to see the reality of people's everyday lives. We spent the holy day with one local family and we could experience the deep sadness in the hearts of the people due to more than twenty years of war and misery. At the same time we could see the peoples' openness of heart, in their hope to soon be able to see the changes they have longed for.

On the streets there were the rich giving food to the poor, as is their tradition, but at the same time, there were people begging. We even saw one small girl picking through the remains of an animal that had been sacrificed for *Id*. This was her festival food.

We visited the city, schools, the university and the hotels and could see that the main buildings, factories and institutions have been destroyed. Electricity, telecommunications and potable water are not reliably available. There is much to be done in just these aspects of the restoration of Afghanistan. Despite these hardships the people travel freely on the street—although the women still wear the *burqua* (veil) even though it is not required.



IRFF-sponsored donations



They have hope, and they are gradually adjusting to the new environment. All this is happening because of the stability given by the new government and the support of the international community.

The international community is making a great effort to support the reconstruction of Afghanistan. They are

working centered on three main organizations: the Asian Development Bank, the World Bank and the United Nations Development Program (UNDP). Fortunately, because we stayed at the guest house we had the opportunity to discuss the situation with responsible people from these agencies and consequently understood more deeply the way the international community wants to bring changes in Afghanistan. These agencies have sent experts and done research in order to make wise investments, but they cannot do the work by themselves. Consequently, they will work with the government, and through NGOs working on the grassroots level. This information was helpful to us in making decisions about our immediate activities and future plans.

We visited many international and local NGOs who have had years of experience in Afghanistan. We visited the Foreign Ministry, the Ministry of Education, the Planning Ministry, the Ministry of Development, the Ministry of Agriculture and the Ministry of Aviation. Also, we met the director of Kabul University and the Aishi Durani High School, which we later decided to support. This high school was at one time the finest high school in Kabul, and it had a very good reputation. We would like to help this school reestablish its position.

After visiting the high school and discussing matters with the director we understood that the international community would help the school with some of the major repair work that was necessary for the school building. Later in the discussion we came to understand that the school still lacked the basic necessities to function—for example, paper and pencils.

In light of this we decided to support the three thousand students by giving them a full set of stationery, adequate to start the school year. Many Afghan children want to go to school but not so many have the money to buy even their own stationery. This project was taken care of by the Afghanistan chapter of the Women's Federation.

In the future WFWP would like to support the school in an even more substantial way. We would like to give ongoing financial support to this school for improvements and development (building repairs, furniture, and educational equipment). Also we would like to give the teachers and administration some education—both technical and moral—to support their work and positions as teachers and “parents” of the

school. We would like to develop extracurricular activities for the children to enhance their educational experience. We would also like to develop an active parent—teacher association to encourage the parents to support the education of their children.

We also visited one worthy NGO, Ashiana, which we felt was one we could support and consequently help many children. This project was finalized centered on IRFF-Afghanistan. Ashiana has four centers for a total of 1,800 street children. In these centers they give basic education, including general knowledge of Afghanistan, the Persian language, land-mine awareness, and handicrafts such as carpentry, calligraphy, painting, creative art, carving and sewing.

We donated uniforms for 250 children to inspire them to study. The problem of street children in Afghanistan is very difficult to eradicate; even though the children want to go to school, most of the parents don't want to send them because the children can make more money begging than their parents can. Even though the UN supports the return of all Afghan children to school life, most families are facing the problem of raising money to survive. Ashiana's street children project inspires the children to learn a skill and acquire basic knowledge for their future. The children alternate between staying for one day in the center and the next day going onto the street to beg. After some time in the center, it is hoped that the street children will learn enough to find some work and support their families.

We promised to continue our support for the street children and the students of the high school. We felt so moved by their beautiful hearts and the gratitude they expressed to us.

It was not easy to leave Afghanistan again. One of the young Afghans that I had been in touch with moved me to tears when, at the moment of our departure, he expressed that the most important thing in his life was to meet me. Under his jacket he was carrying a hand-stitched wall-hanging made by his mother. He said that in order to manifest his gratitude to me he was giving the wall-hanging to me as a memento. We hugged each other with tears in our eyes and I promised him that I would come back to Afghanistan and wish to work with him to rebuild his country.

Our plan is to return to Afghanistan as soon as we have secured our projects

and sponsors. Most likely we will continue to work with these two organizations, the Aishi Durani High School and the Ashiana Street Children's Project. On our next visit we will establish an office in Kabul.

If the reader is interested in helping support any of these projects, please contact us and we will be happy to provide you with more information. ♦

The Angeluccis were assigned to work in Afghanistan in 1996. Their account of their first sojourn in Afghanistan, when the country was facing tremendous internal strife, is in the Nov/Dec 2000 issue of Today's World. Currently based in New Delhi, India, they can be reached by e-mail on angelucci45@hotmail.com.

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IRFF support:
above, Umberto at front left,
Mr. Matsufuji (IRFF) front right



WFWP donated materials
to help this school



Mrs. Yamanoi (WFWP) organizing
support programs

K-CARP Spreads Its Wings

Korean CARP leaders seek new ideas beyond the shores of Korea

Song Hwa-jin
Sun Moon University Student President

In Korea there is a system of churches that serves only CARP members; and from March 2nd—10th, ministers from the CARP churches connected with the two campuses of Sun Moon University (SMU) visited Japan and Taiwan with SMU student representatives to see how CARP functions there. This visit was suggested by Rev. Yu Kyung-duk, leader of the SMU CARP ministers, to compare and analyze the operations of CARP in Japan, Taiwan and Korea and to establish the best way to go forward.



Japan

We visited and offered encouragement to the members of the fourth *Hun-soo-saeng*¹. They work hard fundraising and witnessing. Our principle purpose was to visit the CARP headquarters and to see Japan. The first thing we noticed about the *Hun-soo-saeng* was that they sang holy songs loudly prior to the speeches by Kim Kyung-hyo, Korea's CARP president, and Rev. Yu Kyung-duk. This was different from how the Korean students do things. They shouted the CARP motto and sang for half an hour, beating a tambourine as they sang. I felt that they were the kind of people one could depend upon and had a strong impression that they are moving with one mind. When we

visited them, they were holding a workshop during their fundraising period. We could sit with the brothers and sisters from Japan, and later, we joined them in playing sports. We stayed one night at their center. We felt that they were growing internally through their program. We gave them a gift we had prepared and read a letter to them from a Korean student; we cried together. We felt determination to be of one heart although we are living far apart.

Keio University CARP Center

We also visited the Keio CARP center. They were doing forty-days of fundraising. We arrived at the center at 1:00 PM. At that time, the members were out fundraising. While they fundraised, the team leaders would sing holy songs and pray seriously. They received phone calls from the members calling in to report their achievements and experiences. The leaders would counsel the members, read selections from Father's speeches over the telephone and encourage the brothers and sisters who'd called in. I felt that they had a very close relationship with their members. When I looked at the sheet of paper on the wall, on which was written each member's name and results, I felt an atmosphere of seriousness and valor that one doesn't often experience in Korean CARP.



Taiwan

The first thing I felt in meeting the Taiwan CARP members was their purity and passion. I saw liveliness in their faces, in their welcoming entertainment that was honest and fresh, even if not professional, and in their coming to the door to welcome us. At the Tam Kang CARP center, we took part in some witnessing practice. In the beautiful center, which was decorated like a cafe, we observed the guests that were talking with those who had witnessed to them, and we went to the campus. We passed out flyers to the students on campus and helped the Taiwan CARP members conduct research with a questionnaire.



At first, witnessing through questionnaires seemed strange to me, but I could better understand it after I heard Taiwan CARP's perspective and learned that CARP is a student organization with government support.

The visit gave the regional leaders and ministers much to think about in relation to how CARP is run, through comparing CARP in Japan and Taiwan with CARP in Korea. As a student representative, I focused on learning about how CARP in those countries is economically self-supporting through fundraising and on their witnessing techniques. I was able to observe their system, comprising economic independence, witnessing and education: Economic independence through fundraising, witnessing activity on the foundation of economic independence, education of newly witnessed members, and ultimately inspiring them to fundraise and witness themselves.

It was very difficult to evaluate and compare each nation, because each situation is different. I repented that I have been acting without any notion of eco-

nomie independence or witnessing. I have been thinking only within the confines of the existing environment and have not made effort to find new ways of doing things.

Taiwan CARP's liveliness, in particular, came from the energy gained from economic independence, as if, on their own initiative, they are absorbing the water and nourishment necessary to bear fruit. It is a very different kind of task for me to learn to apply their system to our organization in Korea. Yet, I think it is my small mission to engraft their liveliness to me, Sun Moon and Korean CARP. ♦



"devotion"; "soo" means "training" and "saeng," life; When there are enough students willing to do it (not necessarily every year) they take a year off from their studies to pursue full-time activities together.

¹ Hun-soo-saeng; "Hun" is Korean for

How Hyun-jin Nim Draws on the Power of God

We asked K-CARP, "How are you responding to Hyun-jin nim's initiatives?" The following is taken from an answer we received from a young CARP leader.

Yoon Chan-wook
Eastern Seoul Regional CARP Leader

Hyun-jin nim's policies consistently guide us in a way that causes us to feel the love God and the direct guidance of the spirit world through practice. He wants us to grow not as people who believe some notion or concept but rather as people of substantial faith.

In line with this, I could feel the will of Hyun-jin nim through his special 21-day workshops in 2001. The theme of the workshops was A New Leadership Paradigm for the Settlement Age.

In contrast to work-

shops of the past, every day of the program had challenging courses through which those that took part had to push themselves to their physical and mental limits. Actually, if we are doing something that can be accomplished without difficulty, we may have a good feeling after having done it, but we cannot

expect any self-development. Besides, in matters of faith, when a person places limits on himself, nothing he does will leave behind any deeply emotional impression; the spirit world is not moved to cooperate and God, too, is not touched and cannot deal with him. So, Hyun-jin nim invests everything, every time, without an attitude that he needs to compromise in some way because of some limitation in his ability. I know that this is the way to feel the existence of God and the spirit world, to strengthen ourselves and to become subjective believers.

Hyun-jin nim thinks it is important that we first have an absolutely vertical relationship with God and stresses that we have to stand in the



Yoon receives Hyun-jin nim's signature

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When Two Were Gathered in the Name of God

A story of the unifying power of love

Margaret Ali (England)

I joined our movement in 1978, and within a few months my heart of love towards True Parents started developing. I came to realize the importance of Korea in God's providence, and since then I have had a deep desire to serve Korea. During my first visit to Korea in 1992, my love for Korea and her people grew in a strange way—I felt as if I were at home in Lebanon. However, I could not see a way to come to Korea or to do something from London to help North—South unification or any related project to serve the homeland. I was fully involved in my family and mission in Britain. I never gave up on my dream, however. I would even daydream that True Father would call all of us members, and me, in particular, to pack our bags and go to Korea.

When the providence for the Registration Blessing came and True Father asked the blessed wives to go to Cheong Pyeong for twenty-one days prior to receiving the blessing, I realized that not only was this great grace from True Parents to us all, but this was what I had been dreaming about—a way to serve the fatherland of our faith. I determined then, that I would attend the next Cheong Pyeong workshop and see to it that my husband could take time to come to attend the blessing. I would also take a few days to at least visit my mobilization area.

A most amazing thing happened connected to the mission area I chose in the lottery. I was one of the last to pick a piece of paper and remember feeling that there weren't many to choose from. When I picked up my paper, two were stuck together, and I had to return one to the box. Looking at the name of the mission area on the paper that I'd kept, I was immediately desperate to make contact with the church leader—but without much success.

Then as if by magic a very dear British sister living in Korea gave me the telephone number of a Lebanese sister named Yola. Her husband, Park Chong-in, is a church leader who can communicate very well in English [they had been missionaries in Europe for a number of years] and would be able to help me find my mission area. He was very kind. After a few hours, he found out from the regional headquarters church that my area was actually in Sosa, where he himself was the church leader! I felt joy and amazement at God's hand working in my life. Three

days. Just being with Yola was like being in Lebanon with my family—and all this connected to the True Parents and the homeland felt so real, so good. I resolved to come back for a few weeks at a time as often as I could, but certainly during 2001.

God provided me with an excellent opportunity when I was asked, as a director of WFWP, to attend the annual WFWP meeting in Korea from November 12th to 14th. On arriving in Korea I went straight to the Sosa church. I felt so happy to meet *Samonim* [a respectful term for a lady, in particular a pastor's wife; here, Yola] at the airport. We hugged and kissed, and started talking and planning what we were going to do together in Sosa.

I had arrived in the middle of a prayer condition for a new center, as the landlord of the current premises wanted to make use of the building. Rev. Park and some elders had already found a new center, which needed setting up into rooms for the church area, study and office area, and so forth. Of course, all this needed money, and there was much discussion about that as well.

We prayed daily from 10:30 to midnight; I will never forget the prayer evenings. Although they were very different from what I am used to in England, these evenings were very profound and precious for me. It was very exciting, there was a lot of singing, with much heart. I can honestly say that no matter how tired I was, I never fell asleep once. I was so alert and excited, and even though I did not understand the discussions in Korean, I felt so welcome, so included. There were many times during the prayer meetings when brothers and sisters came to discuss the building or the finances. I was touched by their sincere effort to try to work together. I will never forget one elder, partially handicapped sister, who is often at the center praying at all hours. She would be at the prayer room with her candle



A song at the sisterhood ceremony; Yola is standing at back, fourth from the left, Margaret is sixth from the left

thousand possible mobilization areas to choose from, and I had chosen the one where the church leader's wife happens to come from my own country! It was quite amazing, especially since there are only a handful of Lebanese blessed wives in the entire world. I immediately decided to go and visit my area.

On meeting them and the members of the church, visiting my area, meeting a few elder couples living in the area and meeting the leaders of the Japanese and Filipino wives, I knew I had come home. It is difficult to put it all in words: I just loved being with them. I was happy and willing to serve them in some way—the area, our homeland, the unification of North and South. I was so sorry to have to leave in a few



Margaret participates in a sisterhood ceremony at the WFPW leaders meeting, November 2001

A few representatives from the Korean sisters participated too to plant the seeds for a much bigger, all-inclusive sisterhood ceremony in the future with not only our own sisters but friends of our movement as well.

Yola Massad (Korea)

The mobilization of Margaret to our church in Sosa was really not by chance: not only is she Lebanese, but we also come from the same religious background, Christian Orthodox, which is a minority faith in Lebanon. I truly felt God sent

Margaret as He knew how my heart had been lonely during more than four years living in Korea and being the only Lebanese in our movement here. However, it was not the fact that Margaret was Lebanese that made the difference, but the fact that she brought the heart and spirit of our True Parents to her mission area.

She truly offered her heart, coming with great faith and incredible devotion. She started giving lectures to our Filipino sisters, as they needed lots of support and guidance. I will always remember the beautiful day when Margaret and I, together with our Filipino sisters, prayed with tears, holding hands together. I'm glad that Margaret's lectures could revive us all. We really felt God's presence. He was pouring out all His love to us.

Her heart could reach anyone who needed help, and she was always ready to give and invest, no matter what. When we first became church leaders in Sosa Church, I realized our Korean,

Japanese and Filipino sisters were somewhat distant from each other. I think there were some barriers that were difficult to explain. I wondered for some time how that could be: We all believe in True Parents and God's ideal, and yet we're still far from each other.

Margaret came up with the idea of organizing a sisterhood ceremony with all our sisters, which would help us become close to one another.

I felt our planning and work were blocked a few times, however Margaret really invested all her heart and every ounce of her energy, always keeping in mind how hard we need to work to return joy and glory to God and True Parents. Not for a second did she give up on the idea. Despite her difficulty with Korean, she still called everyone to come to the church and attend our ceremony. This is how she expressed her heart. Her unchanging attitude kept us all going.

The day we had the sisterhood ceremony, the atmosphere was so high and our hearts were completely one, under the love of God and True Parents. I felt I could really experience being part of a happy universal family. During her stay, Margaret also asked one of our new blessing candidates to invite one of his friends if he was interested in the blessing and the Principle. To my surprise, after just a few days our new brother walked into the center with his friend, who became quite positive and is now interested in receiving the blessing himself. God is truly working in our church, bringing us together, and giving us many blessings. ♦

Margaret and her husband Saïd were already married when they met the church,

at least five minutes before 10:30 every night without fail. I was also deeply touched by the unfailing attendance of one very young brother, who had only just joined the church, but who attended the prayer meeting every single day! This despite the fact that he did not know much Principle as yet.

Within a day or two it was obvious that both *Moksanim* ["pastor"; here, Rev. Pak] and *Samonim* were very keen that I spend some time with the Filipino sisters since they could speak English and would appreciate some education. We then started planning a three-day workshop on the Principle and internal guidance. At the beginning, we were not sure if sisters' schedules—their children and in-law situations at home—would allow them to attend the workshop. To our surprise, except for one or two, all sisters were able to attend all three days of lectures.

At the workshop we shared some testimonies and learned about each other. We grew so close in heart and sang together. On the final day, we discussed how to build a life of faith and prayer—and finally, we prayed deeply together with tears in our eyes and joy in our hearts. I will never forget those three days, and the precious Filipino sisters. I have such a deep desire to return and continue my relationship with them.

In discussion with *Samonim* and the Japanese and Filipino sisters' leaders, I shared one point that Father had mentioned on True Children's Day: how important it is for the Filipino and Taiwanese sisters (Eve-type nations) to support the Japanese members' mission as the Eve nation. We all had the desire to follow True Father's guidance in our way. On the foundation of heart developed through the three-day workshop, we held a sisterhood ceremony between Japanese and Filipino sisters.



Sosa Church on a recent Sunday outdoor service in the countryside. Chong-in (in the light-colored vest) and Yola are sitting behind the children dressed in red

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Widening the Path to the Future

Unification Theological Seminary

grueling days. Now, it can be compared favorably to any motel. The living room was completely renovated; the dining space was restored and the staircase has been repainted.

Before the restoration, people wore shoes up to the third floor, so it used to be very dusty and dirty. Ever since we changed to a “no shoes policy,” there has been a dramatic change. Even the babies can safely play in our house. Materials used were things that school did not use, so the total cost came to roughly \$500. If we had used an outside contractor, the expense would have been much greater. Through this we experienced the true ownership that Father has mentioned. Many who visited the house were surprised at the extent of the improvements.

As soon as the renovation was finished, the other residence hall, “Saugerties,” began its renovation. An American brother named Eric not only fixed the house voluntarily, he paid all the expenses from his own pocket. Currently, he is leading a fundraising team after hearing of UTS’s financial struggle.

The next miracle was lead by the administration and staff of UTS. During a meeting, Dr. Hendricks, the president of UTS, announced the

Moon In-sung
UTS Student Body President

When you think of the Unification Theological Seminary (UTS), you may think that it is like a military academy in New York that is reserved only for those sent here by Father. After the founding of the seminary in 1975, True Parents were proud of UTS, and loved this place. Therefore, many True Children attended the Seminary including Hyo-jin nim and his wife, and (after his graduation from Harvard) Hyun-jin nim and Jun-sook nim. When they graduated from UTS, True Parents came to congratulate us all, and True Father spoke for over six hours. I believe that was a turning point for UTS.

As a matter of fact, in 1999 UTS was facing severe financial constraints. There were discussions about merging with the University of Bridgeport, but due to True Parents’ blessing, the students and the seminary were able to come together. We are trying with our united strength to restore the seminary back to its original status. I am here to testify to you about the efforts that are taking place at UTS.

Since True Parents’ blessing, many

changes have been taking place. I believe they are truly miracles. They are also the realization of True Father’s words. Father said that if a reform movement were to rise from within the student body, UTS would survive.

For the first time in UTS history, since June 2001, both I, the student council president, and Joo Hoon-hwi, the vice president are Korean. By the fall term of 2001, Korean students were the majority. Thus, the administration appointed Mr. Kim Jang-hoe dean of students. Dean Kim already had a well-established connection with the students, so the relationship between students and the school has improved.

As the student council president, I try to direct the council to reflect True Father’s directions. Therefore, our priority has been to revive UTS with the unified effort of the students and the administration.

Renovation of facilities

This reform movement started at “Massena House,” the residence hall for married students. The interior of the building was in terrible shape. Last summer, all seven residents came together to renovate the house for ten

completion of renovation at Massena House and Saugerties. This inspired the staff members to begin their own project. Centering on Dr. Hendricks and Dr. Mickler, UTS vice-president, reorganization of study rooms and construction work on the Small Chapel were begun. The students and the school came together to finish both projects. This inspired David Tranberg, the junior class president, to undertake a junior project to decorate our place of worship.

Based on this foundation, forty Korean leaders from Japan came to UTS in accordance with True Father’s request. Their arrival further enlivened the revival effort. Thus, when the project to refinish the Dining Hall floor came up, the incoming students and other students came together to finish the project. The project was to peel off the old paint and dirt accumulated from the last decade and apply fresh finish. They had to order special chemicals and equipment to do this project. The school estimated over a month would be needed for the completion of this job. However, all the students got on their hands and knees with their paint peelers to scrape off the decade-old dirt and paint from the floor. Within two days, the job was

finished.

The chairs were old and breaking apart. The students, again, came together to change the old chairs to new white chairs. The Dining Hall atmosphere changed by 180 degrees. After this, the administration's attitude towards the students was further enhanced. The sacrifices of the students reached a pinnacle and the administration reemphasized its policy of serving them.

The school decided to provide some space to students for fellowship and relaxation, so the library office was removed to make space for a new student lounge. This project could not be done without the students. Likewise, this undertaking was finished weeks ahead of its original schedule.

Traditionally, in the beginning of the term a welcoming party is conducted for the incoming students. The new student lounge was finished in time for this celebration. Therefore, we were able to have a tape-cutting ceremony with all the students, faculty, staff, and administration to start the new academic year of 2001-2. Following the ceremony, the welcoming party was conducted in the newly renovated Dining Hall. It was truly a blessed beginning.

On the UTS property, there are many trails, one of which is called "Mother's Trail." It begins at a pond that was dug by Father and UTS students [long ago]. Facing this pond is a hillside that was littered with bushes and weeds that were obstructing the view of the beautiful scenery from the main campus.

True Father often came to UTS and delivered his message on this hillside. On the initiative of Dr. Hendricks, the students and some faculty members got together to clean it up. It was not an easy task. The bushes were thorny.

The weeds and trees were tough to uproot. Regardless, the project was done, and we can enjoy the beautiful scenery of Mother's Trail and the UTS pond from the main campus.

For the sake of others...

Internal spiritual fervor is also reviving at UTS. Mr. Arase Kazunori organizes the morning *hoondokhae*. Following the service, Mr. Kim Won-sik leads the group to Father's Trail for reflection and morning exercise. Every night, we convene for a ten o'clock prayer meeting. On Wednesdays, Mr. Keith McMurdie organizes a midnight prayer meeting by the pond campsite—which he built and prepares. The prayer meetings by the bonfire help students to reflect and share their experiences.

One of the biggest challenges that the incoming students faced is the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). The blessed children of the Red Hook community stepped up to help them. They had many teaching sessions with them. Furthermore, one incoming student, Chang Yeun-hee from Canada, taught numerous lessons. She previously taught English in Korea professionally. Thus, she is an invaluable addition to our UTS community. Moreover, special commendations go to the forty incoming students. Due to their extraordinary effort, the TOEFL results were astounding: They showed, on average, 39 points of improvement within a month. Needless to say, everyone was



True Family at UTS at the 25th Commencement, June 2001

flabbergasted. The highest improvement was by an amazing 93 points.

The fall term of 2001 ended. As the school and the students faced the New Year, they learned of a student in dire financial difficulty. He had to give up his education at UTS. Without hesitation, the students came together and collected enough money to help him and his family. Of course, the other students were not in better financial situations. However, their sacrifices and willingness to help one another moved our hearts.

The saint of UTS

Not long after the founding of UTS, Dr. Park Jae-pil volunteered his medical services to the seminary. That is how he began his relationship with the school and the Unification movement. Before long, he joined the movement, and has served the school ever since. He offers free medical care for students and staff members. He even donates medicine at his own expense. In addition, he planned a ten-year beautification project of Father's Trail and volunteered his time for this. The students were moved by his dedication and self-sacrifice. Subsequently, the student council unanimously voted to create a plaque honoring his investment. Although the presentation ceremony was humble at Dr. Park's request, it was a heartwarming occasion.

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Dialogue with One's Nation

How the national leader of a small republic speaks with his countrymen

Giorgio Gasperoni
San Marino

The Republic of San Marino, like other microstates in Europe, is a completely independent country from the legal and political viewpoints, and people here are very much in touch with their identity. It is presently being governed by a coalition of the Christian Democratic Party and the Socialist Party and has, since 1988, been a member of the Council of Europe [an inter-governmental organization, founded in 1948 and dedicated to promoting human rights and the rule of law] and since 1992 a member of the United Nations. Economically, San Marino, is heavily reliant on commerce and tourism.

Yet, San Marino is not separate and independent as regards its culture, economy and religion (90 percent of the people are Catholic); there is a great deal of interconnection with the region of Italy that completely surrounds the country. The work of many of the NGOs operating in Italian territory has influence in San Marino, too, and many people from here are involved in them.

In general, Sammarinese feel that they want to join the international community without abandoning their roots: They wish to respect and be respected by other people. Anyone working here has to keep in mind the feelings of people living in a microstate. I was born here; all my ancestors on both my father's and mother's side of the family are from San Marino going back at least four hundred years. I understand very well the mixed feelings inside Sammarinese.

Still, I'm thankful that Father allowed us to work in a wider area than the official territory. Since the mid-1980s, I have taken care of an area around San Marino that includes two Italian cities: Rimini and Pesaro. We have around thirty members. I tell them that we should speak of this expanded territory as our working area. Our church headquarters is in Pesaro. Of

the two professors who have been designated Ambassadors for Peace, one is from Pesaro and the other from Rimini. Our activities in San Marino have included more outreach to leaders in society. It is the center of our public relations base. San Marino had a socialist—communist government from 1978 to 1986. During that time, there was much more political corruption and wrongdoing. I felt that I had to show courage and so created an open but conservative magazine called *Dialogo*

subject of reforming the constitution of our country. It was really successful: Three constitutional scholars and the representative of all six political parties participated.

Dialogo was a magazine that officially did not belong to the church; I wanted it to be an independent organ of information. Still, as I was its publisher, almost everyone knew that it was connected with our movement. We took in advertisements to cover the cost of making the magazine. We contacted several good and well-educated people, asking them if they wanted to cooperate in the initiative. I was surprised to receive an affirmative response from several of them.

I printed around two thousand copies of each issue. A certain number of these I mailed to important people and to public organizations; some others we sold through a newspaper shop and the remaining ones we sold shop to shop. We contacted big companies for contributions and we tried to sell subscriptions.

My purpose in creating this magazine was, mainly, to have a tool through which I could reach many important people and establish a base for public relations work. I saw that nothing existed in San Marino other than publications of the political parties. Another reason to start this magazine was to create more constructive cooperation among the religious communities here in San Marino. This way of working helped me to begin CAUSA work later on. San Marino is a very

small nation; therefore, it's not easy to make a large foundation in church membership working on a religious base alone.

Through the magazine we could start activities connected with IRFF, and we started to do social activities related to Eastern Europe, mainly Romania, Croatia and Albania.

Even so, we discontinued making the magazine from end of 1991 until ten Japanese missionaries arrived in San

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Dialogo per un Mondo di Pace
di Giorgio Gasperoni

Ho il piacere di annunciarvi che la nostra rivista "dialogo - per un Mondo di Pace" riprende le sue pubblicazioni periodiche. Nata nel 1985 come periodico dei Valori Umani con lo scopo di diffondere le ricerche sulla pace. All'inizio del 1994, dopo qualche tempo di riflessione, abbiamo scelto il titolo "dialogo - per un Mondo di Pace" perché riassumeva molto bene lo scopo per il quale la rivista era nata: progettare e quindi preparare fattivamente la strada, offrire un sostanziale contributo, alla realizzazione di una vera pace.

La formula scelta aveva ricevuto numerose espressioni d'apprezzamento. Oggi vogliamo raggiungere un pubblico più vasto, considerata l'importanza e l'interesse generale del nostro "progetto". Il rinnovamento e lo stimolo ad incrementare il nostro sforzo editoriale c'è stato dato dalla stabilirsi a San Marino della WFWP - Federazione delle Donne per la Pace nel Mondo (il 4 Agosto 1995 è avvenuto il riconoscimento giuridico a San Marino), e della FFUWP - Federazione delle Famiglie per l'Unificazione e la Pace nel Mondo (avvenuto negli scorsi mesi e nell'attesa del riconoscimento giuridico). Tali Federazioni sono parte di un più ampio progetto facente parte della "Casa dell'Unificazione per la Pace nel Mondo".

La rivista s'ispira ad un concetto di pace come valore da realizzare a coronamento d'altri fondamentali principi.

quali la libertà, la dignità, l'amore. La Cultura è come il concime, se non si diffonde, non serve a niente. Diffondere una cultura della pace, favorendo iniziative che abbiano come obiettivo il bene comune di tutti gli uomini, facilitare la comprensione reciproca, avanzando proposte di collaborazione e di superamento dei conflitti: tutto questo favorirà la costruzione di una società mondiale autenticamente pacifica.

Confucio diceva: "Dove c'è educazione non esiste distinzione di classe". Non si può muovere la cultura della pace senza guardare ogni cosa dal punto di vista dei valori e dobbiamo chiederci come e in quale misura il progresso scientifico e i cambiamenti

sociali influiscano sulla vita dell'uomo, in modo da favorire o sfavorire la pace. Sarà questo l'interrogativo fondamentale che ci porremo nella scelta dei temi da trattare.

In questo primo numero abbiamo scelto due temi principali da approfondire e che riteniamo di vitale importanza per il futuro della nostra civiltà: il futuro della famiglia nel suo rapporto incontro/scontro con la vita moderna. Le varie culture del mondo, ci hanno trasmesso diverse espressioni di tradizioni familiari e ruoli specifici che la famiglia viene ad avere nella società odierna. Oggi, tuttavia, tutte le culture tradizionali hanno incontrato la vita moderna con la sua tecnologia avanzata.

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(Dialogue), which was published every three months beginning in 1985 and dealt with the promotion of a peaceful culture. The next elections were going to be held in May 1988, so my thinking was that I had just three years to make a foundation to turn the tide more toward the conservative side. I was quite surprised at the good response of many people, their moral support and appreciation. In April 1988, through *Dialogo*, I organized a conference on the

Marino in 1994, when we started the magazine up again with a new focus: family issues. It was given out by our members and sent to a mailing list of VIPs and subscribers. From that time on, it was published occasionally until last October 2001, when we decided to start publishing it again on a regular basis with the name, *Dialogo-per un mondo di pace* (Dialogue-for a world of peace).

Through the magazine, we report on the ideas of IIFWP and WANGO, and it helps us to connect with other charitable groups and civic leaders. I am the director of the magazine and my three children, who are all HARP

members (aged 18, 16 and 15), handle the technical side of our online version, which can be found at www.dialogomp.net.

It now deals with building a culture of peace and features a forum on family issues. It is handed out by our members



and is being sent to a selected mailing list of VIPs including many NGOs in our area. We want to use it as a tool to reach people and groups in order to have a common base for future cooperation. The reaction of the ones closer to us has been good. Our goal is to expand that to a larger part of society. I believe in it, and it works if we believe in it.

As part of our work with FFWPU, there are other events that we promote. At the end of 2000, for example, we brought our guests to Rome for an International Educational Foundation conference for leaders of the

nation, held in cooperation with the Italian movement.

Last July, we organized a big event. As a means of raising money for charity activities, we held a music festival in which eight different bands participated. All the bands, which are well-

known in the area of Pesaro, where the festival was held, agreed to perform free of charge. The bands are so popular that the festival had to be held on a Monday, because that was the only day they were not performing elsewhere. At the beginning of the program, a professor that is close to us and I spoke to about five hundred people about the values and purpose of FFWPU.

We are presently involved in setting up an IIFWP center in San Marino, paid for entirely by the contributions of the Japanese woman missionaries and the national messiahs from Korea, Japan and America.

This year, 2002, is really a new start for all of us. ♦

Giorgio and Theresia Gasperoni are from the 6,000-couple blessing (1982). San Marino has a population of some 30,000, making it one of the world's smallest republics.

Photos facing page: *Dialogo's* front page; this page, *At a function for Ambassadors for Peace: (Left to right) Giorgio's wife Theresia, Pesaro city leader Simone Sgaggi, a San Marino Ambassador for Peace (a former professor at the University of Urbino), Giorgio Gasperoni*

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Conclusion

Although UTS is undergoing difficulties and it is true that the students are trying to conserve money, UTS possesses much potential. Firstly, the greatest potential flows from the support of True Parents. Father mentions UTS at every meeting. In addition, he sent his sons and daughters to UTS to be educated- this year, Hyo-jin nim and Yun-ah nim are taking courses. At last year's commencement ceremony, Father decided UTS would receive an endowment of five million dollars.

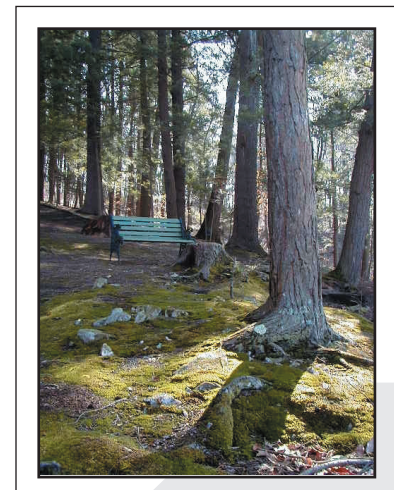
Secondly, the potential for UTS lies in its human resources. The seminary is blessed with a diverse, multinational student body. Students learn about and experience diverse cultures and languages from each other. As Father has ordained, this is a training ground for international leaders.

Thirdly, is the location of UTS. It is located less than two hours away from the financial capital of the world, New York City. Furthermore, residents near

UTS are wealthy and influential. UTS can tap into the prestige and power of this affluent community. Fourthly, UTS is surrounded by an abundance of resources related to the leisure industry. Father has said that whoever controls the leisure industry would control the economy of the future world. Golf, hunting, fishing, horseback riding, skiing, and snowboarding are among the different leisure activities. These activities are inexpensive to learn at UTS. It is also a "deer heaven." The abundance of deer makes it easy for a person to hunt. UTS is situated by the Hudson River. Father used to fish here.

For these reasons, I believe, True Father emphasizes the Unification Theological Seminary, despite the fact that the school is full of students undergoing financial hardship. When I look at our situation, I am reminded of the first church [the hut on the hillside] in Pusan. Father and the early members did not have much, but they had a dream and a vision of society in the future. I want to emphasize that the students here have such hopes and dreams. All the students and the faculty, the staff, and

administration are united to persevere and revive this school with a spirit of true ownership. I know that history belongs to those who dream, and I fervently believe that hopes and dreams will come to fruition as True Father has envisioned. ♦



Graduating in Pure Love

First hand testimony about the new vocational course

Sun Moon University nestles in the beautiful undulating countryside of Chooncheongnam Province, near Asan, an hour and a half from the great city of Seoul. A visit to the campus leaves one with the feeling that there ought to be a good reason to move there if only for the clean air and the beauty of the campus. Sun Moon is not just a nice place to be, however. The university has recently won acclaim for excellence in the categories of facilities and faculties in government surveys of universities nationwide.

In 1999, Sun Moon University launched what is believed to be a global first: a university department devoted to Pure Love Studies.

According to information supplied by the department, the central theme of Sun Moon's Pure Love course is the maintenance of a pure mind, the living of a pure life and the offering of encouragement to others in achieving the same. Fundamentally, pure love deals with matters of the ethics of love, in particular in relation to preparation for marriage and within marriage. But the course deals with a broad range of related topics, all of which in one way or another gear the student to meet the challenges of living an exemplary moral life as an individual, and within a family and society.

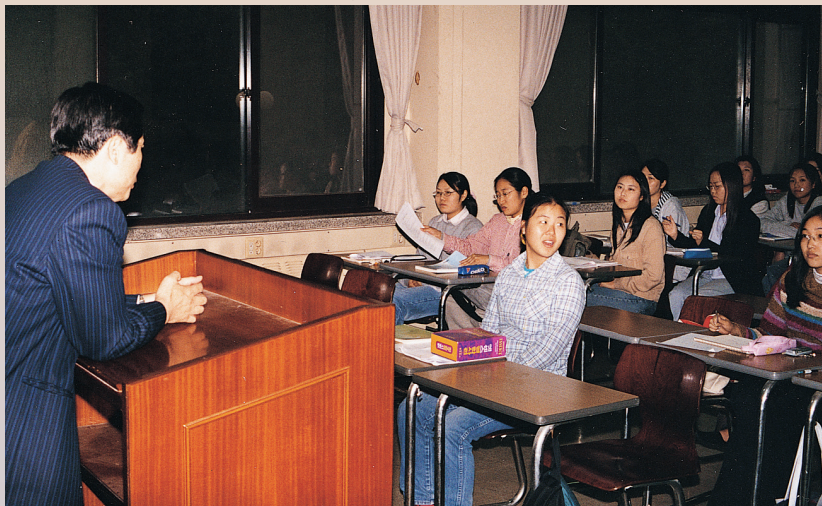
Students study sexual ethics, the sociology of sex, developmental psychology, family sociology, development of a healthy marriage relationship and family life education.

The course also pursues a variety of practical educational avenues, which foster in the student both a self-sufficient and idealistic approach to life. These include character education (based on scripture, and on the study of moral and ethical principles), foreign language study to enable students to be active internationally, and becoming qualified to teach the principles of pure love and to counsel others with diffi-

culties in this area. Students also learn computer and business skills related the promotion of pure love.

Opportunities to put into practice and develop what is learned in the form of community service are plentiful, and the student is expected to take advantage of them. Upon graduating, he or she will be prepared to contribute to the moral integrity and stability of society, whether at home or abroad.

Some months ago we contacted Miss Lee



Hwa-yung, a second-generation Unificationist who entered the Pure Love Department in the second year of its operation. We asked her about her experience there:

Today's World: How was the Pure Love Department established?

Hwa-yung: True Parents personally communicated their desire for such a course and initiated its establishment.

How are the faculty and student body comprised?

We have three professors within the department, plus instruction from others in, for example, English.

The first year's intake was twenty students, of which one was Japanese, and one a non-member. The following year (2000), thirty new students began the course, including two from Japan and two non-members. From the 2000 academic year male students (four of them) also joined the department. In the current academic year (2001) six men have enrolled.

Can you say something about the classes you take?

We have 21 hours of classes every week. One interesting class—run like a workshop—is for spiritual growth. We also do 7:00 AM *hoondokhae* as one part of the course. We have to fulfill this to graduate. I also study psychology, domestic management, office management, sex education and pure love theory.

Do you study theology as a course subject?

Not generally as such, but there is education in the Unification principles included in the course.

Why might a non-member choose to apply?

Particularly those who want to become an ethics teacher or an instructor in sex education might apply. Non-members do not like our church to be emphasized too much.

How is the department viewed by other Sun Moon students?

All the Pure Love students are on a scholarship and we have separate dorm facilities, so there is some opposition to these things. Plus we are viewed as a bit unusual!

How are the relationships between older and younger students?

The elder sisters are very good to us. They feel sad that, being from the first year to study this course, they have no seniors to look up to. We have a good relationship because we share the dormitory together.◆

Lee Hwa-yung is daughter of Lee Jung-joo, National Messiah to Senegal.

Hwa-yung went a step further and took these questions to her fellow students so that we could appreciate the different ways in which people came to study Pure Love as a subject and how they view it. The results are recorded on the facing page.

The responses of different students (not necessarily in the same order for each question) are written under each question.

1. Why did you choose the Pure Love Department?

- Because I can learn to live for the sake of the others.
- Pure Love was attractive to me as an area of study, so I applied. I agree with the pure love movement and I think that furtive talk about sex should be brought into the open so that the sex we have in the future can be something beautiful.
- It was recommended to me. I feel that, in the Pure Love Department, I can learn the most valuable thing in life—how to live properly as a real person. I think I will be able to show and explain to society that such a life can be a valuable life. I want to change the minds of people who think that purity is old-fashioned. I feel that I have to wake up the people who don't care about purity and who have forgotten that maintaining purity is just the proper way to live. I also want to learn about purity as an academic study. That I am a Unification Church member played a large part in motivating me to study Pure Love.
- Nowadays in society, problems to do with sex are talked about a lot, so I think leaders who educate about and provide solutions to this problem are essential.
- When I was in my first year of high school I was shocked to learn that university graduates generally just sought out well-paid jobs. I want to study for the sake of humankind. I don't just want to find a good job for materialistic reasons.
- This area of study is essential for society. I want to learn a lot from the many different aspects of the course.
- Many serious social problems related to sexuality have appeared. I think this study is essential for our society.
- I chose this department for my own sake. I want to have the power, on my own, to go the way of God's will. I want society to become bright with the help of pure love education.
- I can see the vision of the department.
- Because of the scholarship! And because True Father called for the creation of this department. I want to preserve my love [until I marry]. I want to make beautiful relationships with those around me. I want to help people perceive the value of doing that.
- I'm interested in social welfare and

family.

— I like the attitude of living for the sake of others, a broad vision that sets its sights on the world, leaders who are people of character and work that is beneficial for humankind.

2. How did you find out about it?

- I saw a news article about the new department and thought "This is made for me," and studied hard for my application to be accepted.
- I'm a member of the Unification Church, so an acquaintance recommended it to me.
- My parents recommended it to me.
- I heard about it from my church; my pastor recommended it.
- I saw a commercial broadcast on EBS [the educational TV channel in Korea], and an older student recommended it.

3. What is the vision of the Pure Love Department?

- The Pure Love Department will foster the love that can give hope to our darkening society.
- The most fundamental and important truths, absolute love, our life and value can be found and explained here.
- Raising moral leaders.
- Developing pioneers who build a good society through conveying purity to the world—taking what has been a church-based movement and expanding it into a social movement and a movement within educational circles.
- We will realize true love and establish true families in our disordered society through purity.
- We are dealing with the fundamental problems affecting humankind. People will sense the problem and find the answer. A lot of work should be done in the area of pure love because the field is undeveloped.
- The purpose of the founder. These concepts that are essential for present society should be established as an accepted and necessary area of study.
- We have a strong spiritual vision, but not yet a material vision or goal. We have to solve the loss of good character that we are seeing in this 21st century. We have to reassert basic values and reflect on the purpose of life, so that people can live well both spiritually and materially.
- The field of study of pure love has a lot of potential to develop, as it is a newly emerging area of study.
- Establishment of the study of pure love. We can run business that can

teach people about purity, run commercial enterprises that offer education in the field and create well—organized businesses that serve a public need.

— Social activity under the banner of "absolute sex [i.e. within marriage], pure and healthy families." We will empower people to live purely and then, through this pure love movement, we will be able to realize world peace.

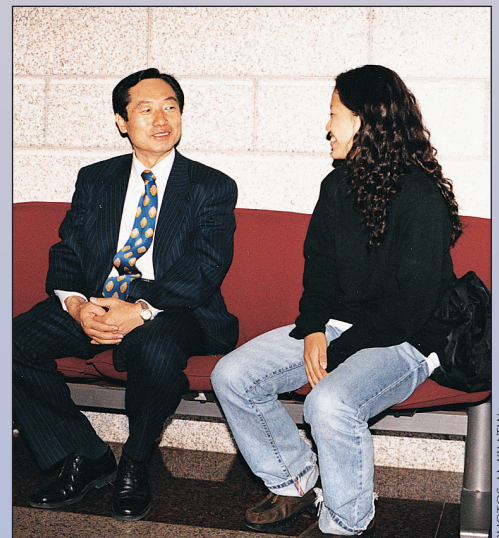
4. Why is the concept of pure love opposed by some in society?

- If the idea of a new purity giving hope for a new era becomes established in society, opposition would dwindle away.
- People deny the value and significance of purity. But we assert that we can keep purity through monogamous sexual relations. And purity applies not only to sex, but also includes personality, etc.
- Because people don't know about the meaning of purity. I hope that they can come to take another look at us without prejudice.
- What we mean by the term "purity" is people trying to create a perfect personality, such men and women meeting one another eventually becoming couples that can make a family based on trust and those families collectively making a pure society. We just endeavor to be pure people and want to inform people about the value and need for purity.

5. As someone who is not a Unification Church member, or who has no particular religion, what are your thoughts?

— I see it as a department dealing

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given to clergymen and lay leaders from the different faiths.

Sorry to be speaking about myself, but PWPA-Korea hosted a celebration for my having been conferred with a doctoral degree. My brother and relatives attended, and they said they were really inspired by the meeting. I asked them what they were inspired by. They said what I had said in my short speech to greet the guests that day was what had most touched their hearts.

What I had said was, "Although I now have a Ph.D. and I hold the position of president of the FFWPU, I am not proud of my position or my degree. The only thing that I am proud of is my blessing and the ideal of a true family. I have been married for twenty years now. I have never been unfaithful to my wife and I never will be. No matter how humble it looks, I am going to teach and pass on to my children the tradition of a true family's purity. As flawed as I am, I will devote my life to putting the teachings of True Parents into practice." This seemed to touch the hearts of those present who were not members.

Many things are important in our lives—material possessions, power and honor, but what is the most important thing in this world? What doesn't the world have? What is the world most afraid of? It is pure love, a true family. It's our strongest weapon and pride. The world feels this message of ours the most strongly. This amazing pride of ours will be passed on to the clergymen

in America in 2002.

Secondly, True Parents made an important proclamation recently. In Hawaii at 11:00 PM on the night of March 1st, they proclaimed the unification of the spiritual and physical worlds. As you know, True Parents' lives have historic and universal significance. We also know that there have been numerous proclamations in their lives. What is the meaning of this proclamation of the unification of the spiritual and physical worlds?

True Parents had restored worldwide elder-sonship through the 30,000-couple blessing in 1992, worldwide parenthood through the 360,000-couple blessing in 1995, and the great victory of kingship through the 3.6 million-couple blessing [which was included in the 40 million-couple blessing] in 1997. On those foundations, they proclaimed the Cosmic Sabbath for the Parents of Heaven and Earth at 7 seconds and 7 minutes after 7 in the morning of the seventh day of the seventh month [by the lunar calendar] of 1997. After that, starting with the 40 million-couple blessing on November 29th, the door to giving the blessing in the spirit world was opened and the grace of the spirit world blessings began in 1998.

A ceremony for the liberation and unification of the spirit world was held on October 14, 2000, and a ceremony to dispense with hell and paradise took place on December 1st, followed by workshops and blessings led by Heung-jin nim and Daemonim. On the founda-

tion of being able to organize the spiritual and physical worlds, True Parents are proclaiming the unification of the two worlds.

True Parents have made a substantial foundation on earth. As a result, the providence of restoration for elder-sonship, parenthood and kingship were completed. This was followed by the restoration of the spiritual and physical worlds. As a result of the restoration of the spirit world, True Parents broke down all the barriers in hell and paradise, liberated the spirit world and held the unification ceremony.

Thirdly, our present focus is on unifying the spiritual world and physical worlds in accordance with the Principle. Father told us that resurrection of the spiritual world would gradually become substantial. Our ancestors will guide us—they will scold us when we aren't on the right track. Religious leaders in the spiritual world will return to those of the same faith and work toward the unification of religions centering on True Parents. I feel that really dramatic changes await us.

Brothers and sisters, the providence is not easy to comprehend at first. When Father told us that he had made Heung-jin nim Commander-in-Chief in the spirit world when he passed away in 1984, we didn't quite understand what it meant. However, as time passes we find that what Father says turns out to be correct. On their own foundation, True Parents have regained control of the spiritual and physical realms and

A Word to the Young at Heart

The FFWPU International Office in Seoul is pleased to announce the publication of two new Principle study guides. *God of Heart* and *Principles of Heart* have been adapted from two Korean books that were written for high school and middle school students respectively, and are presented with an attractive layout to appeal to youthful readers. Designed to facilitate personal and group study, both volumes recommend themselves for use by second-generation and young members alike.

A structured and focused approach has been adopted in studying the Principle. The main study passage, from *Exposition of the Divine Principle*, is explained more fully in a separate section and accompanied by relevant excerpts from Father's words. Each of the 25 units concludes with a page dedicated to review of the unit as well as personal reflection and application.

To whet the appetite of Korean language enthusiasts, Father's axioms and sayings have been interspersed amid memorable photographs.

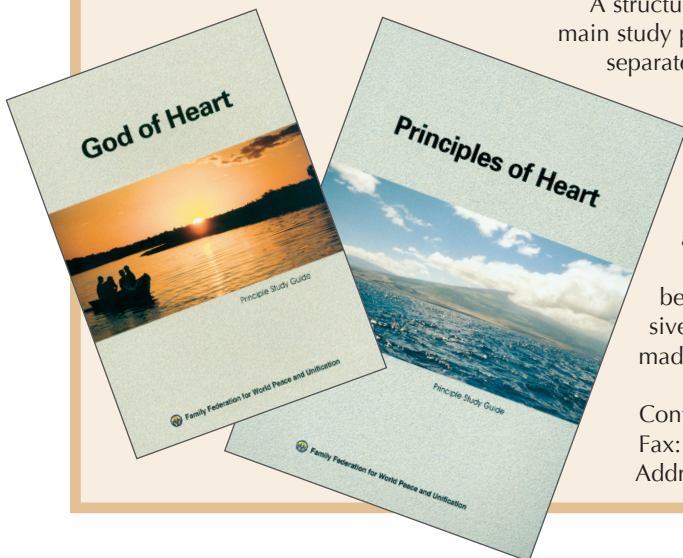
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have now started the work of binding the two worlds together. This will be more understandable and visible to us as time goes by.

At our recent meeting in Hawaii, Father spoke very strongly. The message was to live not for ourselves, but for others, True Parents' most fundamental teaching. All things living on earth find the original value of their creation by living for the sake of theirs. This is the amazing key point with which we can ultimately solve all the problems on earth....

Let us think about the words of Father's that we read this morning: He told us that God's situation was miserable, and he asked us what we would do if we were God. This one question itself has the most revolutionary theological significance. What would we do if we were God? This may not seem very special to our ears, but, in the Christian way of thinking, this is an impossible question to ask. How could a mere mortal put himself in the position of God? This is downright blasphemy. How could a human being ever even be in a position comparable to God's? Christian theology has focused on differentiating between God and man rather than on finding their common characteristics. So much energy has been put into separating God and man, in order to emphasize God's holiness: We are evil but God is good. We are limited but God is unlimited. There is distance between us. His grace is the only way to overcome the differences. His grace alone can enable us to change. This is the modern Christian perspective.

If St. Augustine's wife, Kang Hyun-shil were here, I would have liked to talk to him! This theological view was begun by Augustine [354-430 AD], though I believe he was a very warm-hearted man. The Donatist schism occurred in Augustine's time. The early church was severely persecuted and because of that, many left. When the persecution ended, those who had betrayed the church wished to return. The church had to decide whether or not to accept them. That was what the Donatist schism was all about. Some people were willing to accept them and others were not. St. Augustine insisted that the church must accept those who had left.

Those who were opposed to accepting them back insisted that the church was a holy place for only holy people. They thought that the church was too holy to have any place for those who had betrayed it. Augustine argued that

In March 2002, IIFWP Korea held the third Ambassadors for Peace seminar in four different locations in Korea simultaneously. A total of 567 ambassadors took part. Kim Dong-soon from Chungnam confessed, "I've lived my life for myself alone, but I realize I should change and start living for others. I was especially moved by the speech that called us to love those who are unlovable, even our enemies."

Lee Jae-myung from Daejeon said, "I've always thought about how to live a truthful and exemplary life while contributing something to my country. Through this seminar, I came to understand what the truth is and how to live my life for the sake of my country and world peace. I am really grateful that I could have this chance of contributing to the reunification of Korea as an Ambassador for Peace."◆



the church was the holy place where sinful, chosen people must come to be sanctified. The church was the precise place for sinners to be sanctified, therefore, they must accept those who had once betrayed the church. Eventually, St. Augustine's view was adopted.

Augustine displayed generosity towards those who had once betrayed the church. That generosity stemmed from the kind of life he had led as a young man. He had lived a very reckless life and credited the grace of God with his transformation to holiness. This would explain his warm-hearted forgiveness of others. It was natural that the grace of God became the center of his focus as being fundamental to Christian theology, and natural, too, that he would contrast the grace of God with the sinfulness of man.

At that time, there was one group who adhered to the teachings of a man named Pelagius. They were considered to be heretics by the Augustinian group that then was considered to be orthodox. Those who professed Pelagianism believed that people determined whether or not they lived in harmony with God and reached salvation. Augustine's group opposed this view and stressed that by God's grace alone could we be saved and come to live in harmony with God. It was God that could open the door, not people. That was the Augustinian view.

That was how things stood in the early church. Modern theology tends to focus more on the qualities we share with God rather than our differences. What does the Principle teach us? What is the teaching of True Parents? The Principle speaks of how God's 95 percent responsibility and our 5 percent responsibility should come together to bring about a desired result. The Principle shows the way toward a solution to

the conflict between the two opposing views on God.

Some people might wonder why we Unification Church members pray in our own names as if we are reporting directly to God: they might wonder how we dare pray to God in our own name. How revolutionary this is!

As long as man has existed on earth there has been some form of religion. The most significant characteristic of religions is that they all pursue an absolute being. And there have always been mediums with the role of connecting man and the absolute. The medium could be Jesus, Buddha, Grandma Sam Shin [from Korean Shamanism] or even a big rock. The most revolutionary thing in religion would be to get rid of the medium. What we have done in our church is the most revolutionary occurrence in the history of religion.

Herein lies the perfection of our life of faith, the ultimate life of faith. Where can we find the restoration of humankind? What we are doing now is pioneering the road toward that ultimate human recovery by following True Parents' teachings. If you really think deeply about what's going on, it can give you chills. This is an amazing change. This ultimate miracle was possible because of the common qualities God and people share. There are obvious differences between God and us. However, the more important thing we should recognize is not that we have fallen nature but that we are endowed with the original nature of creation. We should nourish it so that we become ones who can meet God one-to-one as child to Parent. To be able to reach that point, we should learn to live our lives in accord with the original nature of creation as True Parents have taught us. That is, to live for the sake of others.

What is sin? Sin is hurting others.

However, that is a moral or ethical view of sin. If we look at sin from the religious point of view, it holds a much deeper meaning. What is the fundamental understanding of sin from the religious point of view? It is going against the heavenly way. What does it mean to go against the heavenly way? It means breaking away from the original nature of God's creation, breaking away from the harmony of living for the sake of others.

From the moral and ethical perspective, individualism is not sin, because it doesn't hurt those around you. However, from the religious perspective, as Father puts it, individualism is the most fearful manifestation of sin after communism. Being interested only in oneself means going against the heavenly way. Caring about others is God's way. It is the essential and original way of existence. Going against that is sin. Therefore, at this time when we can report to God directly and recognizing the common qualities between God and us, we should live our lives not for ourselves but for others. We must restore our originally created nature.

At the meetings we had in Hawaii, Father emphasized that we should restore our own tribes. Our positions and our locations are only temporary, not ultimate ones. Moreover, the completion

of the providence lies in the restoration of our tribes. I am the international president of the FFWPU. However, my position does not ensure that I will enter heaven. This is just a temporary job. No matter what positions you hold in the church, your main job is to establish your tradition based on the heavenly blood lineage. Father told us that the most important job we should do in this age is to restore our tribes to God's side. That is our ultimate course.

We should make our own blessed-family tribes. You should create your own tribe of goodness. The first step is to establish 36 blessed couples. Among these, at least 3 should be made up of single men and women who are matched and blessed together. Centering on your own clans, you should establish a total of 36 blessed families, followed by 72, 124 and 430-couple blessed families. On the first day of March, Father gave us this direction at the proclama-

tion ceremony of the unification of the spiritual and physical worlds.

Beloved brothers and sisters, new buds are coming out. The earth was frozen in winter. New plants are coming out, penetrating the once frozen earth. In due time, nature always follow its course. No matter how dark the night is, in time the sun comes up. No matter how cold the winter has been, new plants grow out of the earth in spring. The providence works in the same way. Please think about the 1960s, when members were afraid to give lectures on resurrection. How about now? How much have things changed? We have experienced such changes many times. Many times, we have been proven to be right. The message that the spiritual and physical worlds will be one will prove itself. You'll see how things are in three or four years' time. You will experience amazing things.

Spring comes no matter what, following the order of creation.

True Parents have opened a new chapter for us. At this hopeful time, I would like to pray for you to experience a great victory this month.◆



In Osaka, the Committee to Remember Yoo Gwan-soon, the Korean patriot, marks ten years of effort to have her name honored in Japan

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The motto for this years' CARP convention was Breakthrough 2003. Don't wallow in reality, leading a comfortable life, but completely invest to solve all practical problems. The theme of Hyun-jin nim's speech at the CARP convention was also Breakthrough 2003. This was scripture for Unificationist families, the second generation and for CARP.

We have to invest completely to break through for God's will. Complete investment is a shortcut to meeting God directly and a means by which those living on earth can cooperate with those in the spirit world. We can feel God and the spirit world through living and working, and in our daily life we can walk the road of God's true children and as people of true faith.

The motto of CARP is There is No Such Thing as Number Two, Only Number One! Whenever there is a CARP meeting, Hyun-jin nim makes us shout this motto. If I hadn't thought about this deeply, I might have got the impression that Hyun-jin nim is an elitist. It would seem that he has no consideration for anyone who is not the best! I realized, however, that Hyun-jin nim is not an elitist; his intention in giving us that motto is different—that is, achievement is not his top priority. He is not spurring us toward blind

competition and comparison among ourselves: rather, the words of the motto are words of love that guide us ceaselessly toward God. God has the greatest value, He is number one and True Parents are number one, so in CARP, where university students that have focused their lives on God and True Parents meet, we have to set out to become number one in order to show the value of God and True Parents. We have to have the attitude to invest everything and overcome our limits. When I understood the motto, I could feel that Hyun-jin nim really loves us and is directly guiding us.

Sometimes, he has given us a difficult direction, far above what seemed realistic, and pushed us strongly. That is how he is—our elder brother Hyun-jin nim, our true Abel, who loves us.

Having him as our big brother and true Abel gives us a lot of hope.◆

The Pure Love Federation for World Peace



The Pure Love Federation for World Peace was inaugurated at the Segye Times' main auditorium in Seoul on March 28, 2002. Kim Yoon-deuk, president of the Korea Women Leaders Association declared, "Today, when

wealth and shallow pleasures permeate our society, we must not tolerate a degenerated, avaricious and animal-like sexual culture."

Said Dr. Choi Chang-kyu, president of Sun-Kyun-Gwan University and co-chairman of PLFWP, "Humankind's greatest loss is that of our original nature; to preserve this, the Pure Love Federation will be a light for the world."

Co-chairman Kim Bong-tae remarked, "Through various means, such as education and campaigns, we will be in the front line to gouge out the bad environment surrounding young people, and we will expand a pure love movement as far as North Korea, working for reunification, and then move on to the world.... After reflecting that I should stand in the forefront to clean up our tainted society, I am participating in this effort."



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— I wanted to study about family and sexual morality.

— To change our nation's sex education.

— Without regard to religion, people who want to correct the situation of sexual morality and establish family values are the kind who become students in the Pure Love Department.

— It allows me a broad field of study, plus a full scholarship.

— Pure Love is a truth that transcends religion.

— The values of purity are those that can transcend and unify religions. Those who understand, from within their original mind, the seriousness of the sexual problems of today and the need for pure love education, are the ones who will choose to study under the Pure Love Department at Sun Moon.

6. How is the relationship between older and younger students?

— The Pure Love Department is a newly created department so practical difficulties arise as things are first implemented. We are living together in the dormitory, so whenever we face difficulty, we can share about the problem and our concerns. We help each other. So these relationships are good.

— We share the same rooms so our relationships are like that between sisters, but we are still polite towards the older students.

— I depend on the older students; I ask their advice when I am in difficulty.

7. What do you think about Sun Moon University itself?

— It is a university with connections to the Unification Church, but it is not colored so deeply with religion. It stands on the front line in the work of Korean reunification and is a very positive force in building a pure love movement.

— The facilities are good. We can live amid nature, and most of all idea the school is based on is the best—

"Love heaven, Love people, Love your country": Learn these things and pass them on to others. Goodness is viewed as something of value in this school, and knowledge is disseminated for the sake of the country and its people. This means the educational philosophy is clear. I love Sun Moon university.

— Nowadays you can smell wine and tobacco in the books and on the streets of ordinary universities, but not at Sun Moon university. We have a lot of students that understand each other well, and who think of and take care of the others.

— I think this university can offer leadership to the world.

— Through education in cultural subjects and character education, professors want to help develop the personality of their students.

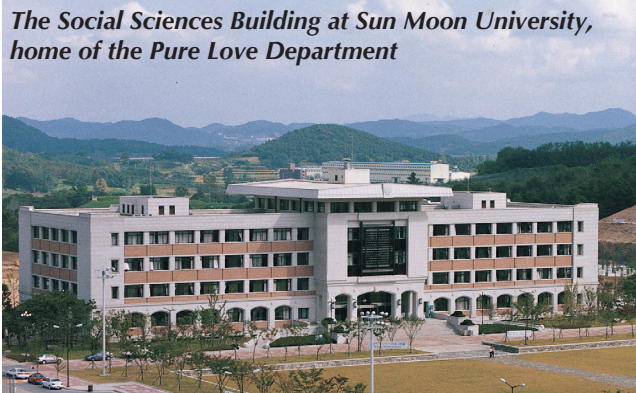
— There are many good professors and great people who deserve admiration.

8. What will you do after graduation?

— I will work in the Pure Love Movement throughout the world after I graduate.

— We can be consultants who help to facilitate the emergence of true families under the ideals of purity and fidelity; we can become adult-education teachers or teach extra-curricular activities to children.

— We can become public health teachers who teach the ideals of purity as a basis of health. ♦



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Father's birthplace as winter recedes and the promise of spring is felt

There should be marriages between people from countries that have been enemies. Parents should respect children from a country that is an enemy of their country more than their own children, have their children marry them and bless them to have better lives than they ever did. Then a third nation, the heavenly nation, is born. At that point, the two enemies disappear.

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