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Original Nature and the Providence

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Sun Moon University requires newly appointed professors to go through orientation on the university's founding philosophy. The university has the professors attend lectures on the Divine Principle and on the Unification Thought. The professors, of course, come from a variety of fields—Liberal Arts, Social Sciences, Natural Sciences, Engineering, etc. After each lecture, a Question and Answer session of unlimited duration takes place between the professors and the university president. I answer questions about the lectures, the university and of course about the founders of the university, True Parents, and their activities and life achievements. The professors tend to ask questions from the viewpoint of their fields, so many types of questions arise.

Especially after the lecture about the True Parents being the Savior, Messiah and Returning Lord, which the lecturer strongly emphasizes, they ask a variety of serious questions. Out of those questions, "What was Dr. Moon's life like?" comes up repeatedly and is the one about which the professors are most curious.


I reply confidently based on what I had acutely felt while attending True Father for a long time, "He is definitely not a person though he is person." As I see everyone's look of curiosity, I continue, "When we usually say 'person,' we mean someone who moves according to rational, reasonable judgment, and common sense. True Parents stand outside of that scope."

For example, the Yeosu Project began with Father just going off to a small country village, where he fished with the village leader. He listened with interest as the man talked for days about the special characteristics and types of fish and the quality of fishing in the area. For the village leader, suddenly having to take care of a great elder was a bit difficult. However, Father made him feel comfortable, treating him as if he were a long-time disciple. After a few days like this, Father had a sudden overseas international meeting and had to go to the US, so he invited the village leader to go with him. This was the first time the village leader had been out of the country. He didn't even have a passport. However, he made one quickly and attended the international conference alongside top leaders. He wondered many times if he were dreaming or if it was real.

I will give another example, which I experienced myself: After having two children, no more children came for over ten years. Then in the spring of 2000, just as we were getting ready for hoondokhae at Hannam-dong, Father suddenly asked me how many children I had. I replied that I had two. He asked why I had only two and said that I would have another. I am sorry, but I did not believe him at all, because we'd had no news of a child for more than ten years. Remarkably, the next month we learned that we were expecting. Our youngest was born twelve years after our second son. My saying that he was a person but not a person is based on numerous such experiences.

The professors then often ask where the focus of Dr. Moon's interests was. I reply that under any circumstances, he never failed to do two things: The first is remaining true to his essence. He centered the start and finish of any decision on God. When he looked at humans, nature or history, he viewed them through the standard of their essential value from start to the finish.

Second, Father never forgot the providence. Even when he met people with absolutely no connection to the providence, he treated them like members, not disconnected from the Creation, the Fall or Restoration. When President Kim Dae-jung invited Father to the Blue House, I was part of his entourage. As soon as they met, Father said to President Kim, "I have heard a lot about you, but you have not heard anything about my philosophy, so today listen to what I have to say." He focused only on the providence.

The professors' curiosity is unabated. "Now that the founder (Father) has passed away, what is happening?" I explain to them about True Mother's leadership. True Mother is one with True Father. Just as there is no stopping the advance of the providence, Mother's leadership has gone from that of leadership of a "benevolent mother" to one of a benevolent Mother with the core of a stern Father, conveying True Parents' complete leadership. She is steadfastly marching toward the liberation of God, the salvation of humankind and world peace. The professors' expressions brighten as we finish the orientation. 

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God's Homeland and One World

*This text is an excerpt from the October 16, 2002 speech True Father gave at the Central Training Center in Guri, Korea, during a Rally for Harmony and Unity in Heaven and on Earth.
This is the beginning portion; the end of the speech appeared in our October 2015 issue.*

In this meaningful venue, as the founder of the International and Interreligious Federation for World Peace, I would like to convey a message concerning God's original ideal, "God's Homeland and One World..."

Without a nation, there is no nationality. That means no grounds exist on which you can have your name entered into a national family registry. Therefore, what we need to do in this current world is to find that nation. We must form the heavenly kingdom, and with that nationality, we must live on the earth as the victorious sons and daughters who have inherited the lineage of true and good parents who love their nation and their people. As such, we must lead our family and our clan so that we can enter the kingdom of heaven in the heavenly world. That is the principle.

Only when we have a nation will we have a tradition that we may peacefully leave behind for our descendants for all time. Only then will all our efforts of shedding blood and sweat remain. Only then will a commemorative tower appear on the earth to congratulate God for his hard work. Only then will traces of all glory remain on earth. If we cannot establish a nation, everything will be for naught.

Please understand that seeking and establishing God's nation is the most important issue. Always have the conviction that "our family is a family that protects the nation that can receive True Parents' love. Therefore, I must become a dutiful child of True Parents and fulfill the duties of a patriot to the nation." This means that you have to receive God and True Parents' love.

However, you cannot receive God's love freely without a nation. This is because the heavenly nation's establishment takes place after Satan's kingship has been defeated. We admire God's nation because it is a place where there is love. It is not a place of momentary love; it is a place of eternal love. It is a place where each person can be raised to fulfill his or her potential and each person's value can be acknowledged one hundred percent. In other words, it is a place of eternal happiness. Therefore, people long and yearn for the heavenly

kingdom.

The path that we have to traverse is a path that we truly want to follow, and the nation that we have to seek and realize is a nation where we truly want to live forever. Our possessions belong both to the cosmos and to ourselves; they belong to this age and to the past, and we must make sure that we can guarantee them for posterity and we need to have the authority and knowledge that will move heaven and earth to cry when we cry, and to rejoice when we rejoice. It will be a world of one heart, where God's love and his truth are actualized through his children living as a one family under God. This is the greatest desire and hope that fallen people can realize in the current age.

Every person must live in his or her own nation. That is an absolute condition bestowed on each one of us. Each nation would exist in harmony with all other nations, and every person, without exception, would live a righteous life full of hope for the sake of God's kingdom. I am saying that we have to long for the ideal hometown and establish the rules of righteousness through our lives as we live for the sake of God's kingdom and his righteousness.

Where do we stand?

Do you have that nation? Since you do not, wouldn't you seek to realize it? What kind of nation did I say it would be? It would be a nation of our ideal, a nation of unity. It would be a nation that all people could go to. There can be no exceptions in realizing this nation. Families will cooperate, as will tribes, peoples and the entire world. Thus, individuals can be united; moreover, families, tribes, peoples, nations and the world can be united. God certainly must realize his providential will on earth. Then what will be the result of his will being realized? All the people of the world will be saved and God will be able to govern them. God's providential will is rooted in his desire to see that day.

If you are unable to restore the nation completely on earth during your lifetime, even when you go to the spirit world, you will not have the value of someone who is a part of the heavenly kingdom. I am saying that you must go to the spirit world with the record of having been governed

within God's dominion, because that is the original standard of God's creation.

I envy nothing in this world. I have no interest in the things of the world. My life's wish is only this: "Can I die in a nation where God can protect me? If I don't live that way before I go, will my life not have been a miserable one? Therefore, before I die, I have to seek that nation and live within that nation, even if only for a single day."

I am going forward with the mindset of investing the sacrifice of thousands of days for that one day. I am going forward, even if you who do not understand are resting. If you cannot do it, then I have to inspire foreigners to do it, and if this nation cannot do it, then I have to use the strategy of encircling this nation with other nations.

Ladies and gentlemen, what is the goal of our faith? It is to become a citizen of God's nation. If we cannot become citizens of that nation, the path to freely express our pride to all people and to the natural world and thus to be loved will not emerge. A person without a nation will always be attacked. They will be in a pitiful position and can easily be caught helpless. Therefore, the question is, "Where is the nation God desires?" In other words, where will we find the nation that God can use as his foothold?

In the end, the reason that we shed our blood and sweat for this nation and for this people is to realize the eternal heavenly nation, the beloved community that every generation of our descendants will praise forever. There is no question that it will be a nation where children of direct descent will uphold God's divine commandments. In other words, they will govern the nation whose order and kingship represent God. There will be neither democracy nor communism there. Once the nation has been formed, it will remain as an eternal national system. When you think about these matters, don't you feel mortified that you have not become citizens of such a nation? You need to lament that you do not have a single such nation and bemoan that you cannot live in such a nation. We need to repent that we do not have this single, unchanging sovereignty.

People have established nations



throughout history in order to build their sovereignty, nation and land. We know that in the process, numerous people died, numerous patriots were sacrificed, numerous nations perished and numerous sovereignties were replaced. Among those countless people who were sacrificed, there is no doubt that those on Heaven's side, the people who were sacrificed for the sake of Heaven's will, want such a nation and world to be realized. There is no question that Satan and not God has governed history since the Fall of the first human ancestors.

Building blocks

God originally was supposed to be the master of the world. If a tribe, nation and world had been realized centering on a true family, composed of children directly descended from God, bound in love with him, it truly would be a world that God could govern, a nation that God could govern, a family that God could govern and individuals whom God could govern. However due to the Fall, everything, starting with the individual and expanding to the family, tribe, people, nation and world, came to oppose God. You must understand this history of the Fall and the world of the Fall. If God leaves the world as it is, he can never realize the world of eternal love of the original ideal of creation. As the absolute being, if God cannot realize the original ideal of creation, he

cannot recover his original authority. Therefore, with that position as his target, God deals with the evil world and guides us to the original world of his ideal. This is God's providence concerning the fallen world.

Although on earth there have been many nations with sovereignty stemming from the Fall, there has not been even one nation of God's desire. In order to establish the nation that could realize his will, God has been moving through the ages of history unknown to human beings. God created Adam with the desire to govern a family, a society, a nation and the world through that one individual being, and he raised Adam toward maturity with that desire in mind. However, through the Fall of Adam, the history that began with one was divided into fours and fives. The providential history of salvation has been God's work to repair and heal those divisions. Adam is the ancestor of all people, so the loss of Adam, in effect, was the same as the loss of all of humanity.


Therefore, God has to call and establish that one individual being again. The person who will be established again has to be someone who can let go of and forget his tribe, his people and his nation. In other words, he has to be someone who will move forward in complete devotion to God's will and God's will alone.

Ladies and gentlemen, all religions have the ultimate common aim of

realizing God's will. Let's examine, in the history of Christianity, a good example of which you may be well aware. Although Noah may have been placed in a social environment, he did not desire to be under its sway, and although he belonged to a national environment, he was not tied to it. Instead, he sought the nation of his own desire. In order to seek and establish that nation, he had to pass through untold trials and hardships. Noah had relatives and a people that he could call his own, and he pursued God's will more than that of his relatives and his people. God's hope was that Noah would seek out God's kingdom and righteousness while subjugating his own personal environment.

Can you imagine the ordeal that Noah had to endure, without skipping even one day throughout the four seasons of spring, summer, autumn and winter, for one hundred and twenty years? Even his own family members ignored him. Yet Noah took all the arrows that came his way and broke through in his decades-long course. Noah was well aware of the principle that he would have to pay indemnity if he enjoyed eating and drinking before he sought for God's kingdom and righteousness.

Later, God chose Abraham and Sarah and had them depart from Ur of the Chaldeans. They did not know that the place where they were heading to live was the land of Haran. They just followed the path as God guided, with unconditional faith and the heart of obedience. Sarah never complained or resented Abraham, even when he let the Pharaoh take her away.

In this way, their minds, which were pursuing the nation of their hope, did not change even in the face of extraordinary trials. Their grandson Jacob had the strong conviction that the nation and people of his hope were promised within the blessing he received, so no one could break his spirit. In this way, the will expanded from the individual to the family to the tribe, and the prophets gradually went forward presenting hope for the entire world. 

The full-length original is in Book I, speech 13 of Pyeong Hwa Gyeong.



History, a Parent's Dream and Our Responsibilities

True Mother delivered this speech on October 4 (9.4 by the heavenly calendar) at Cheon Jeong Gung to a large group during an October 3–7 special assembly of Japanese leaders.



would like to speak about God's providence through the lens of civilization's historical progress and our current responsibilities. In the beginning, God had a dream, a parent's dream that God and human beings would share love and happiness for all eternity in the midst of God's creation. In light of this, why did the omniscient and omnipotent being not stop Adam and Eve at the Fall? This was because God had given human beings a great blessing, but they did not fulfill their responsibilities. Through the selfish thoughts and actions of the Fall, all of humankind were born into Satan's lineage. However, Heaven could not just give up.

Therefore, God singled out the people of Israel to receive his will in the world and raised them for four thousand years, not just one or two months. Why did the long span of four thousand years pass?

Fallen man had to go through indemnity in order to appear in Heaven's presence. God set up numerous central figures but because at a crucial moment they could not overcome indemnity, they failed. After a long period of four thousand years, God said, I will send him, and sent the messiah.

A stateless people

At that time, the people of Israel still did not have a nation. The satanic world had a Cain-type "nation" called the Roman Empire. God intended that empire to be the path to the world. Heaven tried to embrace the world through the great Roman Empire.

However, the ignorant people of Israel, the Jews—especially Mary, who gave birth to Jesus—did not fulfill their responsibilities. How could Mary live a married life when Jesus was single?

Modern Christianity has been moving in the wrong direction. We must now reveal the truth and return all things to their correct positions. Jesus told Mary many times that he must get married. However, in the end, Mary could not create an environment for Jesus and could not fulfill her responsibilities. This resulted in her being the cause of Jesus taking the path to the cross.

The course to the daughter

After that, Heaven's providential history did not ask anything more of the people of Israel. From that time, Heaven began the providential history of searching for the foundation for the only begotten daughter of God.

① President Moon attending True Mother as she lights candles during the meeting with Japanese leaders

② Kuboki Testusko, the widow of Kuboki Osami (1931–1998), the first president of the church in Japan; and Hori Masaichi, the first Japanese blessed child present flowers to True Mother during the Japanese invitational gathering

③ Song Yong-cheon, chairman of the Blessed Family Associations of Japan

④ Won-ju McDevitt, chief of Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon's Secretariat

⑤ Tokuno Eiji, president of FFWPU-Japan

⑥ Cho Sung-il, director-general of the FFWPU-International Headquarters, offered a prayer

⑦ True Mother invited eight hundred Japanese leaders from Japan

The Dongi tribe [Eastern Barbarians], which later developed into the Han clan empire, existed from 800 BC to 400 BC. They were of the Dongi tribe. They were great astronomers. When Jesus was born, there is the story of the three wise men. I am confident that they were from the Dongi tribe.

The Han clan was a benevolent people. They were the people Heaven had selected as the chosen people. That is why they did not like fighting and why they were pushed out of China all the way to the Korean Peninsula, becoming the Korean people.

It is the time for the truth about



history to emerge. Just as Heaven raised the people of Israel for four thousand years, Heaven raised this nation, these people, for the sake of the advent of God's only begotten daughter.

Protestantism came to Korea not long ago. At that time, a spiritual revival occurred, centered in Pyongyang. "Grandmother" Kim Seong-do of the Holy Lord Church secured the foundation stage. That church was in the position of deceiving and marrying Satan. They were able to bring Satan, in the form of Kim Seong-do's husband, under submission. They could set the foundation stage for receiving the Returning Lord.

The Heo Ho-bin congregation then came. This group secured the growth stage, because they prepared everything for the returning Lord. They fulfilled the role of alleviating Jesus' bitter pain. In the middle of that, on the formation, growth and completion stages centered on Dae-mo nim and with the blessings of heaven, in 1943, I, the only begotten daughter of God, was born. Just as in the time of Jesus, a person found directly by Heaven, the only begotten daughter of God, who had no connection to Satan, was born.

Post-liberation Korea

After Korea's liberation from Japan, both democracy and communism had influence in Korea. Communism earnestly began its activities based in northern Korea. Eventually, Heo Ho-bin went to prison. I was six years old at the time. Heo Ho-bin's mother took responsibility over the group and she called me over to tell me I was the "bride of the Lord."

Communism was then gradually spreading in northern Korea where there was no freedom of religion. However because those in this Pyongyang-based spiritual group believed that the Returning Lord would come, they did not even consider heading south.

Among the refugees

My uncle had been studying in Japan, but he did not return to his hometown after the liberation. We received news that he had instead enlisted in the Army in the South. My grandmother, Cho Won-mo; my mother, Hong Soon-ae (Dae-mo nim) and I, just three females, traveled south to find my uncle. That was in 1948; two years later the Korean War began....

As it happened, Heaven told True Father, then in southern Korea to go

to northern Korea. Heaven had me go south and had Father go north. True Father had received his mission from Jesus at the age of sixteen [by Korean reckoning]. In order to begin as the returning Lord, he had to go through indemnity, which is why in the end Father went to prison in the North.

Heaven could not just let everything end in prison. God's only begotten daughter had already been born. Thus, Heaven had to protect Father, which is why Father came south with the help of the UN Forces and why Father was able to complete the word as the only begotten son of God. That is the responsibility of God's only begotten son, and he did accomplish that.

Becoming True Parents

He also had to find followers. On that foundation, in 1960 he met the only begotten daughter of God and moved forward into the position of a True Parent. I said earlier that we must reveal the truth behind providential history. The two thousand years of Christian providential history was the course to find the only begotten daughter of God. This is because in our Heavenly Parent's providential

work through history, finding God's only begotten daughter was the final component.

True Parents' nation

A new stage of providential history is beginning through God's only begotten daughter. The people of this nation, the birthplace of the Returning Lord, the True Parents, must fulfill their responsibilities in relation to Heaven. The people of Korea must know why God chose the Korean people. This nation is God's homeland and must become True Parents' nation. Blessed families are the ones that are responsible for paving the way for that foundation, which is why they must fulfill their mission as tribal messiahs and realize national restoration. While I am still on earth, we must absolutely realize Heaven's will. This nation must surely become True Parents' nation and become a model for the 7.3 billion people of the world.

Japan's restorative role

The role of the island nations in the history of human civilization is great. True Father blessed Japan with the mission of being the Eve nation. Blessings come with responsibilities. Only by fulfilling those can you receive the full blessing. You must consider this seriously and bear fruit. We must unite with True Parents and show a united front.

The dark clouds of our time

Today, it seems only incidents giving rise to despair are occurring all over the world. There are many walls—religious walls and ethnic and cultural borders. Moreover, the world has a "disease" caused by human wrongdoing. Recently many earthquakes, tsunamis and other natural disasters are causing loss of life. However, all nations—especially nations that consider themselves big—rather than thinking of the whole, think only of what benefits their own country.

Young people and intellectuals


That is why I am moving in the direction of solving all of the problems one by one in stages. In our movement, young people are uniting with True Parents. They are part of an actual environment that we can show to the nation and the world by making a strong foundation in the Family Federation and cultivating future leaders.

All through his life, Father brought scholars together in order to embrace the world—particularly scientists, intellectuals and famous professors. Father set before them the responsibility and task of bringing about world peace. The people who were responsible for that did not continuously develop and many of those programs ended. It is true that scientists have contributed much to human

civilization. Nevertheless, when we look at the larger picture, they also contributed to polluting the Earth through things like the development of nuclear weapons, which have terrifying destructive power. That is why I would like to restore the Earth that God created, this beautiful Earth, to its original state, redirecting mistaken scientific development to the right course.

No other way

The Earth not being able to exist would mean humans would not be able to exist either. As True Parents, can we just say, "It's dangerous; it's dangerous," and not do anything? That is why I have many things I must do. Will you help me with all my work?

I receive strength from all of you. While I am still here, I want Heavenly Parent to be able to say, "Thank you for becoming one with True Mother and realizing my dream." We cannot delay dealing with this urgent reality any further. You must feel the urgency of what we are facing. In the providence, postponing these matters until tomorrow is not an option. We must succeed today. Do you understand? I pray that you can all become proud filial sons or daughters and loyal subjects, Cheon Il Guk soldiers that will liberate Heavenly Parent's and True Parents' desperate hearts. 

To everyone's delight, a Little Angel directly expressed her love for True Mother.





Father and Mother Nations Pursuing Heaven's Dream

This is an edited excerpt of True Mother speech on October 6 at the Korea–Japan Harmony and Unity Gathering: Kick off for the Victory of vision 2020 at YongPyong Resort's Indoor Gymnasium.





- ① Earth collected from all the holy grounds in Korea and from all the holy grounds in Japan were mixed together to symbolize the unity of the two nations. The unity of these two nations is considered crucial to fulfilling Vision 2020.
- ② Directly in front of Mother, Oh Jae-baek, a Korean regional leader and Hori Moriko, chairwoman of WFPW-Japan read aloud a resolution to kick-off the Korea-Japan harmony and unity workshop.
- ③ Following a brotherhood ceremony a group of newly "matched" siblings pose for a photograph

We must not forget the world's 7.3 billion people. Originally, Adam and Eve, without the Fall, should have achieved Heavenly Parent's dream, True Parents' dream. We are responsible to accomplish the kingdom of heaven on earth and the kingdom of heaven in heaven by our own hands during True Parents' lifetime. This responsibility is a blessing to all of you, especially Korea and Japan, which are the parent nations to the world. The parent nations must unite. Concerning the providence, the father and mother must make more effort. I pray that you will become that kind of father and mother that will bring great results for heaven.

We are looking at the fourth year now since the beginning of Cheon Il Guk. During that time, what have we shown all of you? We compiled the Three Great Scriptures, the education materials through which you can say "I lived a life united with True Parents" about your whole life. We made the Cheon Il Guk Constitution.

In this earthly world, in which True Parents have dwelt, they should have started at the national level,

however the nations with that responsibility, could not fulfill their responsibilities. That is why True Parents had to rise up from the very bottom. Through that, they liberated God and opened the door to Cheon Il Guk in 2013.


In order for this to happen, in many areas we must be models for the world. That is why we selected the Supreme Council, and set up the five organs. In order for all these five organs to work properly, the father nation must have restored at least seven nations in the world.

We must take this path. Now, to go forward centered on True Parents, it is time for us to coalesce, in all areas, such as the existing institutions, and align them under one system. That is why I want to announce to all of you: From now on, as we go forward, all institutions and businesses will have Hyo Jeong at the beginning of their name.

Last time, I said we'd revive the science conferences. While looking at what is happening throughout the world, not long ago a typhoon covered this nation, causing a lot of damage in the Ulsan region. Why do

these things occur so often? The Earth, which God created, should function naturally and reasonably. However, human ignorance and unilateral human greed are destroying nature.

In consequence, circumstances have occurred under which we cannot even guarantee the future existence of humankind in this extreme environment. People have been discussing the reason and are worrying about this, but there is no alternative. In order to begin research and create alternatives, those who enjoy the wealth, must be willing to give it up. Because of that, the nations considered advanced cannot do anything even if they have a solution.

Being in True Parents' position, we cannot just stand back and watch. We must accomplish God's dream, True Parents' dream, the dream of all humankind. I will also work so that the father nation and mother nation can have that status in name and in reality. Without having to say anything more, my dream is your dream. Until your life's last breath, you must absolutely realize this goal with True Mother! 



Soldiers of the New Age

On October 6, True Mother addressed a large audience of leaders at the Closing Ceremony of the Korea–Japan Leaders Meeting for the Victory of Vision 2020 at YongPyong Resort’s Indoor Gymnasium. She began by speaking about a documentary she had recently watched that focused on a letter, apparently written in 1333, from the Pope, then based in Avignon, France, to the King of what was then Goguryeo, a predecessor to modern-day Korea. The remainder of what she said that day follows:

Without a doubt, today you are in a position that will be recorded in history. You all are soldiers of this new age, the age of Cheon Il Guk. That is why I told the International Headquarters before, “Record the genealogy of all the world’s blessed families.”

All of you who stand in the center of the providence working with True Parents to relieve Heavenly Parent’s sorrow and to fulfill True Parents’



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- ① True Mother awarding prizes to the winners of the yute game
- ② True Mother awarding prizes to the winners of the sports competitions



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desire for one human family, your results and achievements will be recorded under your names and passed down in that form. I hope that you can respond to True Parents’ desires as much as possible, even more than to the best of your ability, with the utmost effort and work, so God can praise you forever, and that you can be those whom True Parents can be proud of that worked with True Parents during this time.

Also, through achieving that, I hope you will become filial sons or daughters, loyal subjects, and soldiers, each of which True Parents will remember as they look over all of your achievements, waiting for and hoping for your success. 7



History Moved Toward True Parents' Advent

This is an edited excerpt of True Mother's message on October 22 at the 2016 Autumn Cheongpyeong Great Works.



True Mother leading cheers of Mansei!

God envisaged realizing big dreams through human beings. Adam and Eve, who could have become the first good ancestors, failed to fulfill their responsibilities. We should see their responsibilities, however, in the context of absolute unity with God based on absolute obedience. Adam and Eve, who were not able to follow this path, could not avoid the Fall when they began having self-centered thoughts. Hence, self-centeredness is not permissible to even you today.

Only when you attain a stage at which you completely focus on and reach oneness of body, thought, and harmony with True Parents, can your path open to greater blessings.


A kingdom existed between 800 BC and 400 BC, called the Han Kingdom. By the standard held within the satanic world, the people Heaven establish in providential history had to be the best. This was a righteous kingdom with great astronomical knowledge and was one that hated fights and wars. The Han Kingdom had the character of a chosen people. Heaven chose this Han Kingdom. Heaven distinguished this people and established them as a people chosen to lay the foundation for the only begotten daughter.

Hence, when we look at Korean

history, Goguryeo enjoyed a brilliant culture. After Goguryeo collapsed, the next dynasty, Goryeo, used the character “go” in “Goguryeo” to make its name. Once Goryeo collapsed, the emerging Lee Dynasty called the nation “Joseon.” During their rule, Korea came under Japanese oppression before and after World War II. Liberation took place in 1945. I was born in 1943. With the liberation of the nation, they established the new name, Dae Han Minguk [Republic of Korea]. It is Hanguk [Korea]. Who made this name? Whoever it was, the name “Hanguk” was decided amidst Heaven’s providence. About a hundred years ago, the Indian poet Tagore composed a beautiful poem on Korea. That was during the Japanese occupation. Then, it was Korea, Hanguk. “And that lamp is waiting to be lighted once again, for the illumination of the East.” What does light symbolize? It is the “truth” that will brighten the darkness—the true teachings. That is why True Parents’ status will occur only once. They will be unprecedented, the only ones—the present True Parents are the only ones.

You also have the responsibility to understand one more point: Heaven made preparations to ensure that when he sends his only begotten son and daughter, the

global providence could develop on a national foundation. When liberation took place, this country was divided between the democratic and communist sides. Having found his only begotten daughter after six thousand years, Heaven could not leave her in a communist world. Hence, I moved to the South. Heaven made me go south, but instructed Father to move to the North.

True Parents’ mission is to be the True Parents to the 7.3 billion people. Hence, in this period Father had to fulfill his responsibility as the only begotten son. Don’t you have the desire to live with True Parents while they are still on earth? Don’t you want to sleep with True Parents, wake up, offer a bow to them, and then report how you are expanding Heavenly Parent’s environment through various activities?... We are happy blessed families who have hope. Adam and Eve did not fulfill their responsibilities in the past, but I sincerely hope you all become blessed families, who fulfill your responsibilities in complete unity with True Parents. 

To see the video of the complete speech, visit en.ipeacetv.com, log in or register free of charge and enter “True Mother’s Message at the 2016 Autumn Cheongpyeong Great Works” in the site’s search box.

Thirty thousand people attended the 2016 Cheongpyeong Great Works; True Mother, True Family members, prominent leaders and other members shout for victory.



You are Cheon Il Guk

Sun Jin Moon, the FFWPU international president, spoke at the 2016 Autumn Cheongpyeong Special Great Works on October 21 at the Cheongpyeong Heaven and Earth Training Center. This is the full text of her written speech, with a link to the hoondokhae material.



Sun Jin Moon pouring her heart out to members

Beloved brothers and sisters, welcome to the great works festival here in Cheongpyeong, Hyo Jeong Cheonwon Training Center, this sacred holy ground where True Parents secured the foundation for unity in all realms: between heaven and earth, mind and body, man and woman, parent and child and among all tribes and nations, in order to fulfill our Heavenly Parent's original and eternal ideal of creating one harmonious, peace-loving global family.

To begin, I would like to offer my deepest respect and most humble gratitude and love for True Mother who is a pillar of strength, courage, wisdom and determination to make Heavenly Parent's dream come true. Our beloved True Parents have overcome bitter challenges, opposition and suffering for the sake of establishing the root and foundation for receiving and transferring our Heavenly Parent's blessing of love, life and lineage to all of us and to all humanity.

Throughout the past four years since our True Father's ascension, True Mother has carried the unimaginable burden and responsibility of God's providence; along the way, she has faced and overcome many new trials and tribulations. Throughout this

time, with True Father at her side from spirit world, she has led our movement forward with wisdom and firm determination. I know True Father is very proud of True Mother. Aren't we also proud and eternally grateful to our True Mother for leading us forward toward the victory of Vision 2020 and the settlement of Cheon Il Guk? Yes. Let us all, in unison, give our True Parents a big Saranghamni-da! Gamsahamnida! Aju!

A dream of True Father

I am deeply honored and very happy to greet so many true filial sons and daughters of our Heavenly Parent and True Parents. You have gathered here faithfully and selflessly as one absolutely united family to prepare your hearts to receive True Mother tomorrow and to create the foundation to receive Heaven's blessings. My greatest hope is that through this workshop each one of you will discover a deeper level of your true divine potential.

So today, instead of reading a prepared speech, I will lead a heart-to-heart hoondokhae session centered on passages from True Father's autobiography and specifically from the chapter, "The more it hurts the more you should love."

Before I start the reading, I want to share a testimony with you. Some time ago, I had a dream that came to me after I prayed to True Father to guide my heart to overcome many levels of suffering I was experiencing. In my prayer that night, I begged him to show me the path to victory. That same night I had a dream and in that dream True Father, as well as this chapter of the autobiography, appeared to me. The next morning when I went into the Cheon Jeong Gung to bow and serve True Mother, I noticed for the first time that True Father's poem, "Crown of Glory," which was written in 1935 and which is featured in the chapter, was displayed, in Korean, on the wall just to the right of the entrance way.

I did hoondokhae later that night centering on this chapter. I knew that this must be the chapter True Father wanted us to read. I hope this reading and heart-to-heart discussion can be a way for all of us to support, love and share with one another and develop greater compassion, wisdom and

enlightenment. After our hoondokhae reading, I will lead a gentle heart-opening meditation and offer hugs for anyone who needs extra love and tenderness. When we practice true love in our mind and body and soul, we invite our Heavenly Parent to dwell within us. When we share this true love with each other, we come to realize that Cheon Il Guk exists in each of our hearts. When we love each other, we are all one.

Hoondokhae

Let me now read the hoondokhae passages from the chapter entitled "The more it hurts the more you should love." [She begins reading on page 49 with the sentence, "As a result, I had a rare and precious experience" and she continues to the end of page 54. The text is available here: <http://divineprinciple.com/as-a-peace-loving-citizen.pdf>]

Wow! What a powerful message.

What profound guidance from our True Father! Let's show our appreciation to our True Father. [Applause] Thank you. [Audience members then asked questions, which President Moon answered. She introduced it with the words, "We have some time now for heart-to-heart sharing, so I invite you to offer or share your reflections, thoughts and questions at this time." [The August issue of *True Peace* includes a six-page Q and A with the international president at http://www.ipeacetv.com/data/board_en/Ebook/bf_file220160922134521.pdf]

Crown of Glory Yoga meditation

Brothers and sisters, I would now like to lead you in a meditation which will strengthen your mind and heart to meet life's challenges. We are going to fill you with peaceful gentle kindness, true love and God's divine unconditional love and light energy. I call this



- ① Translators were standing by to help people who wished to ask questions or comment.
- ② A young man asking a question of the international president



the Crown of Glory meditation. Aju!

Please find a comfortable seated position. Let your sit bones [ischial tuberosity bones] deeply take root into your seat. From the base of your spine feel a lengthening of the spine up towards the crown of your head. Gently close your eyes and feel a glorious golden ray of divine light shine and illuminate your crown. From the center of this illuminated crown feel the light lift you up higher, lengthening your spine. You are Heavenly Parent's divine true child. Feel this loving warm light raise you up and lift you away from any tension or anything that weighs you down. Notice the body let go and release itself from things that pull it down.

Relax your shoulders away from your ears; lengthen the neck, relax the jaw; let go of tension. Feel your head become weightless and balanced at the top of the neck. From your grounded seat, feel yourself grow beautifully tall, up toward this light at the crown. Stay here for a moment to bask in this divine energy.

In this tall balanced, seated position, take a moment to notice your breath. At its natural pace, is it short, long, choppy, even fast paced, labored, light or deep? Whatever it is, just take this moment to notice your breath. Your breath is the mirror of the mind. When we are sad, nervous or angry, it shortens and tightens. When we are happy, calm and relaxed, it lengthens and deepens. When we feel hatred, our breath shortens, our life force shortens.

When we love, our breath extends and our life force extends.

Breathing in, inhale life, oxygen, peace and love. Exhale, and let go of all that no longer serves your life. Inhale, welcome life, the divine gift of air and let it fuel a greater flame in your divine light. Exhale, letting go and giving gratitude for all the life force that has been given.

Let your breath bring in abundant blessings and gifts of life from the universe and exhale joy and gratitude. In the simple act of taking notice of your breathing, you can feel eternally loved and nourished. Breathing is give-and-take action with the Divine. Notice how in each and every moment God is serving you, filling your lungs, giving you blessings and this precious life; in return we offer gratitude, joy and love.

Imagine a loved one

Breathing at your natural pace, think of a loved one. Imagine this loved one, being or thing. Visualize it. How does this being make you feel? What are the things it does that bring you joy? Replay those joyful, loving moments in your mind. Take the time to notice how they make you feel in your heart. Hold that image and feeling; let it deeply nourish your heart. Feel that loving energy fill your being. Feel your heart open and bask in this love. As you share love, feel it grow and multiply even greater love and joy. Feel that deep heartistic connection, that loving union, that complete freedom, happiness and harmony in

the embrace of loved ones.

Feel the complete give and take of boundless love, forever filling you with abundant joy. Stay here for a moment and let this loving vision deeply take root in your heart and mind. Feel the completeness and total oneness, harmony and joy of this union. This is Cheon Il Guk; when we are one.

Imagine a passerby

Now think of someone or thing that is neutral to you. It might be the mailman or a person serving you coffee; just anyone in your daily life whom you may pass by casually and have no deep connection with. Focus on that neutral person and imagine that same loving feeling for this person as you would have for your loved one. Visualize sending or treating this neutral person with the same openness and loving joy that you share with your loved one. Imagine smiling, saying kind words, offering a helping hand, a handshake or a big hug. Notice the change in that neutral person as you love them. Visualize their response, as they respond in kind, smiling back, saying thank you or some kind words, connecting on a higher level of love and hugging you back.

Take the time to notice how this divine love in you can elevate any relationship. Notice a confidence and a joyful return that comes with opening your heart and loving all your neighbors. Your love has the power to change the world. You are no longer separate from others. By choosing to



- ❶ Sun Jin Moon guided the audience through meditation, which in our hectic, fast-paced world is increasingly seen as beneficial for physical health and general well being.
- ❷ Some audience members hug one another as expressions of love and tenderness.
- ❸ The view from the audience:

love, you bring all beings together in God's divine love. You are Cheon Il Guk; we are all one.

Imagine a scoundrel

Now imagine someone or something you don't like, that may have caused you pain, suffering, heartache, loss, betrayal, fear, anger, hate, or who you do not respect. If you have no one or nothing that comes to mind, we all know the archangel. So try to visualize your archangel whoever or whatever it is.

You may notice around this difficult being, your heart feels like its shrinking away or clenching into a fist. You may notice your breath shorten or tighten or you may labor to breathe. Remember your breath is the mirror of the mind.

So, I want you now to imagine this enemy as a loved one. Do not let someone's darkness extinguish or diminish the light of God's love in you. Use the power of the divine breath of life in you. You choose to breathe in deeply and allow life and love to flourish and let go of all fears and things that no longer serve you. Allow your mind to focus on those feelings for your loved one. Feel the

deep love, openness, eternal divine light and goodness flow from your heart to this enemy. Notice how the image of this enemy changes, as you share deep compassion, care, kindness, higher consciousness and divine love. Visualize the shift in your heart as it opens and loves your enemy as your loved one.

Notice how this difficult person you hug, hugs you back. Feel your heart open freely in this embrace. Feel the healing and forgiveness replace all loss and darkness, and see a golden light of love as both of your heart centers grow and warm each other in this embrace. Notice the difference one heart, your heart, can make when it chooses love over hate. Notice your breath and your being glow even brighter and deeper as you invite God's light and love completely into your heart and you share it with the world. You are Cheon Il Guk. We are all one.

Take a moment to feel this loving victory. Feel the divine light energy that is in your heart carry and give life to each living being and the whole of creation. When we all live as one united family under God, there can be no darkness. Notice the ray of light at the crown of your head illuminate brighter and flow all over your being in a blanket of love, joy, fulfillment and everlasting peace. You are the Crown of glory. What you focus on becomes your reality. Cheon Il Guk is alive in you. You are victorious. We are all one, aju.

Gently opening the eyes, feel God's

love and True Parents' love fill your heart with unconditional love and infinite peace. Turn to your neighbor and share a glorious hug with each other and offer a deep Gamsahamnida, saranghamnida, namaste.

Practice True Love

How do you feel—loved, powerful, energized and victorious? Yes? You should. This is the power of true love and True Parents' and Heavenly Parent's teachings. Please practice this and hoondokhae every day. These are the pillars of light and wisdom that will allow you to overcome any obstacle. Aju!

Thank you all for your lifetime of love, care, dedication and sincere effort for Heavenly Parent and True Parents. May Heavenly Parent and True Parents bless all your precious families forever. May your time here for this Great Works meeting be productive, inspiring and empowering, so that you return to your mission countries revitalized and energized. Remember you are Cheon Il Guk, and we are all one! Aju. Can we as one family under god and True Parents all give three victorious cheers of Seungni! [Seungni! Seungni! Seungni!]

Thank you very much. Namaste. 🙏

To see the video of the complete speech, visit ipeacstv.com, log in or register free of charge and enter "Sun Jin Moon's Special Lecture at the 2016 Autumn Cheongpyeong Great Works" in the site's search box.

Diverse Unity

The launch of IAPP in Central America

- ❶ Kwon Jin Moon, his wife Hwa Yun Moon and a political figure in the Hall of Presidents of the Republic among portraits of forty-seven male ex-presidents and one female in the Legislative Assembly Building
- ❷ A group photograph in a room evocative of Costa Rican history
- ❸ Dr. Walsh signs the declaration to establish the International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace



Kwon Jin Moon, the first of True Parents' children to be born in North America, recently traveled with his wife Hwa Yun Moon to Central America and South America to represent his mother, our True Mother, in inaugurating chapters of the International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace in San Jose, Costa Rica and Asunción, Paraguay. This article will provide background to the Costa Rica event, which took place as part of an International Leadership Conference, which ran from October 6 to 8. On the final day, the inauguration of IAPP, which attracted political figures and other prominent members of society, took place.

Distinctly Costa Rica

Roughly to its north and south, respectively, Costa Rica is between Nicaragua and Panama and to its east and west, respectively, the nation of 4.85 million souls is between the North Pacific Ocean and the Caribbean Sea. Costa Rica's main natural hazard is volcanic eruptions. In fact, Juan Santamaría International Airport had closed for nearly twenty-four hours in late September, and during time of the ILC, in early October, the Turrialba volcano continually spewed into the atmosphere ash that rose to a height of about five hundred meters.



Kwon Jin Moon delivering the founders' address on behalf of True Mother

Costa Rica is a country that has long charted its own course. It does not simply copy what others do. Costa Rica is one of only eight countries in the world that have more than one vice-president. More surprisingly, in the 1949 constitution, which established having two vice-presidents, Article 12 states, "The Army as a permanent institution is proscribed. For the vigilance and conservation of the public order, there will be the necessary forces of police." Costa Rica does not have an army but its police are reportedly well equipped. Ana Helena Chacón Echeverría, Costa Rica's second vice-presidents was among the many prominent figures that attended the inauguration of IAPP in San Jose, the nation's capital.

According to the US Congressional Research Service (CRS), in an important area, Costa Rica is a country that other nations could learn from for its "strong conservation system and innovative policies, which have done much to restore Costa Rica's environment." The CRS report goes on to state, "Costa Rica's efforts also have led many observers to recognize it as a world leader in environmental protection and have enabled the country to play an outsized role in the formulation of global environmental policies."

Central American Parliament

A member of *Parlacen*, the Central American Parliament, Guillermo Osorno Molina, attended the IAPP. He was once a presidential candidate in Nicaragua, representing the Party of the Christian Path. Parlacen, which has been active since October 1991 and is based in Guatemala City, Guatemala, is an outgrowth of efforts to mediate an end to widespread disruption in Central America, which had been ignited by civil wars in El Salvador, Nicaragua and Guatemala in the 1980s. Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama and the Dominican Republic are the member states. The citizens in each member state elect twenty representatives and deputies to the Central American Parliament and all former presidents and vice-presidents are members for a fixed number of years. Parlacen's primary goal is Central American and Dominican integration; thus, it proposes legislation and draft treaties that move toward that aim. It supports human rights, peaceful coexistence and security in Central America.

Neighbors and friends

A large contingent of public figures came to the event from the Caribbean island nation, Dominican Republic. (The Dominican Republic shares the

Island of Hispaniola with Haiti.) A senator, nine members of Congress, a leader of a non-governmental organization and a scholar attended the inauguration as did two businessmen. Amarilis Santana Cedano, a member of the Dominican Republic Senate from the Dominican Liberation Party, representing the Province of La Romana, spoke at the event about the International Leadership Conference and the Universal Peace Federation. Also on hand for the ILC and IAPP inaugural were José Alberto Alfaro Jimenez, vice-president of the Legislative Assembly of Costa Rica. Others from Costa Rica included Antonio Alvarez Desanti, president of the Costa Rican Legislative Assembly; Four members of that assembly, Nidia María Jiménez Vásquez, Jorge Rodríguez Araya, Daniel Gayardo and Marco Vinicio Redondo attended as did Mrs. Estrella Zeledon Lizano, widow of Dr. Rodrigo Carazo Odio (1926–2009) and Jhon Fonseca, Costa Rican vice-minister of Foreign Trade. Juan Ramón Jiménez, member of the National Assembly of Nicaragua and Donna Elizabeth Hunte-Cox, consul general of the Consulate General of Barbados in New York City also took part. 

A TPmagazine staff member wrote this article.

A Dream of Good Citizens

The launch of IAPP in South America

- ① Kwon Jin Moon delivered True Mother's message and interacted with the political leaders and the media.
- ② Dr. Thomas Walsh, whose Ph.D. is in Theological Ethics, is the president of UPF, which has been holding high level International Leadership Conferences at which chapters of the International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace are established.
- ③ Julio María Sanguinetti, president of Uruguay (1985–90, 1995–2000), was a key figure in his nation's transition out of twelve years of authoritarian military dictatorship. He has been associated with our movement for some decades.
- ④ Cynthia Elizabeth Tarragó, a Paraguayan parliamentarian supportive of the IAPP
- ⑤ *Right to left:* Thomas P. McDevitt, chairman of the *Washington Times*, Dr. Yang Chang-shik, True Parents' special emissary to the Americas and the Caribbean
- ⑥ The Asunción Palace of Congress, Chamber of Deputies, where the launching of the South American chapter of IAPP took place



The event that established the International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace in South America took place at the Bourbon Hotel in Asunción Paraguay. Paraguay is a landlocked nation of nearly seven million people, bordered by Brazil, Bolivia and Argentina.

According to Evaristo Fernández, president of the UPF chapter in Paraguay, a hundred and twenty legislators from thirteen nations took part. One of them, Paraguayan Senator Silvia Giacoppo described the IAPP as “a network of parliamentarians discussing issues such as climate change, environment and social conflicts.” She went on to write, “both the conference and UPF seek to break barriers and overcome differences of all kinds, whether ideological, racial, national or religious. In search of peace for generations to come, they look to us—parliamentary representatives of the people—to build peace and to further human development. This association of parliamentarians for peace is part of that momentum.”

A media outlet that interviewed some of those involved in the event, included the following: “Nathaniel Kwon Jin Moon, son of the late Rev. Sun Myung Moon, said he views Paraguay as a key site for the expansion of this peace project in Latin

America. He added that he appreciated our country. Finally, he celebrated the integration of Paraguayan legislators within the network.”

Past desperate times

The same article included an exchange with one of the prominent guests at the IAPP, two-time Uruguayan president, Julio Maria Sanguinetti. The reporter asked his view of the peace agreement between Colombia and FARC, the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, which has been at war with the Colombian government since 1964. The government and these Leftist rebels finally agreed on a peace treaty that would end the conflict, but the Colombian people voted against it. To this question, the octogenarian ex-president replied, “Peace at this time has Colombia as a major... epicenter; it had been a popular uprising, finding ways to peace will resume, and we trust that sooner or later they will achieve it.”



MPs from numerous nations, dignitaries and guests pose in front of the signed declaration of this regional International Parliamentarians Association for Peace

Latin Americans above a certain age know a lot about Left and Right and the military relationship to civilians. For a stretch of years in some Latin American countries, darkness descended. Military coups occurred or dictators gained power in elections and refused to let go. The power of those in control was everywhere apparent, while the people were kept in a feeble state, vulnerable and living day to day in a hellish fear-filled atmosphere. In the depths of that darkness, loved ones disappeared. Mothers and fathers, siblings and friends mourned in their hearts, and they marched in the streets.

Uruguay had a series of five corrupt presidents that had a dictatorial partnership with the military, beginning with Juan Maria Bordaberry, effectively from 1972, and ending four dictators later in 1985. The Paraguayan dictator, Alfredo Dominguez Stroessner, ruled from 1954 until 1989. Near the end, he was forcing military generals to retire when one powerful general sent troops and tanks to Stroessner's house. He fled to Brazil, where he later died.

End of strife

It was no simple act for Julio Sanguinetti to follow those five dictators as president. He and other politicians

had simply decided to hold party conventions, elect party leaders and run for the office of president. Sanguinetti ran as the Colorado Party candidate and won. Abraham F. Lowenthal stated in the magazine *Foreign Affairs*, "In Uruguay, after a bitterly repressive decade of military rule, the administration of Julio Maria Sanguinetti was inaugurated in 1985, and the country has returned to the civilized political discourse for which it used to be known."

Bordaberry, the Uruguayan dictator, was charged in 2005 with four cases of aggravated homicide. According to Human Rights-Uruguay, this was possible, mainly because the United States was willing to declassify documents showing an agency within its government had coordinated attacks against left-wing adversaries in Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay and Uruguay. The court found Bordaberry guilty in 2010 and sentenced him to thirty years in prison; he died at home a year later at the age of eighty-two. This is all to say, with what happy expectation people in the region might greet an association of parliamentarians striving for global peace.

The bright side

As in the unification movement,

nations throughout the world look to the youthful members of society to find fresh hope and enthusiasm. A strong supporter of the IAPP event was Cynthia Diaz Tarragó, a congresswoman who is head of the Press and Social Communication Commission. She's in her mid-thirties and was a television personality before running for office. Her family has a strong sense of public responsibility; she has two brothers who are government officials.

A Paraguayan congressman, Jose Domingo Adorno Mazacotte, wrote of her experience at the ILC in reverent terms. Regarding IAPP, she wrote, "I want to thank God for the opportunity he gave me to witness the birth of a great project of peace between the Federation for Universal Peace and the Association of Parliamentarians for World Peace, who under the leadership of Mother Moon we will work to create a global family under God. ... Allow me to thank the son of the Mother Moon, who came to join us; give us strength and courage to work for the fulfillment of the dream of the Father Moon and Mother Moon, which is also the dream of all of ours as good citizens." 

A TPmagazine staff member wrote this article.

TRUE MOTHER VISITS JAPAN



True Mother went to Japan for eight days in October, with a focus on realizing Vision 2020. In line with that vision, she said recently, “I am preparing in all areas... in order to design and build the Cheonji Sunhak Won, in which True Parents’ achievements can be seen at a glance.” To create an environment in which people can comprehend True Parents’ hearts and their mission as the returning Lord requires preparation and hard work. This trip was just such preparation.

The first stop for True Mother was Huis Ten Bosch, a theme park in Sasebo, Nagasaki. Its name means “House in the Forest,” which is the name of a palace in The Hague, which was a residence of the Dutch royal family. Huis Ten Bosch is a reproduction of a 1700-era town in the Netherlands (Holland). It is roughly equal in size to Tokyo Disneyland.





The area on which the theme park sits was used by factories as an industrial dumping ground in the not-so-distant past.

The park's two primary objectives were to restore the natural environment and then to protect the natural growth. By the time it opened in 1992, a third of its initial building costs (in billions of dollars) went toward improving the environment.

They dug fresh-water and salt-water canals to replicate Holland's landscape, but also to irrigate the land in preparation for massive planned planting. Underwater, fifty-eight types of marine algae and fifty-five species of fish flourish in the canals. Initially the builders planted forty thousand trees (the theme park boasts ten times that number today) and untold numbers of flowers—tulips, of course, which Holland is famous for, but many other varieties as well.

They recycle all the sewage and raw garbage used in the park daily to generate energy or as compost. The liquid sewage is pure enough to be drinkable after processing though they never use it as drinking water. Studies show the park's vegetation filters out all air pollutants, except near its parking lot, where having many tress in impossible.

① True Mother beside one of many canals in Huis Ten Bosch, a theme park that replicates the Netherlands, the capital of which, Amsterdam, has over a hundred kilometers of canals.

② The theme park includes a living village, Wassenaar, a name borrowed from a wealthy suburb of The Hague, with private homes in the Dutch style. Every house is on a canal. Some have swimming pools or a place to moor a boat. Ten apartment buildings in the park can house up to eight hundred residents. Imagine the reverse: an authentic Japanese village in your country!

③ *Left to Right:* Tokuno Eiji, president of FFWPU-Japan; Lee Hai-ok, wife of Chairman Song; True Mother, Song Yong-cheon, chairman of the Blessed Family Associations in Japan; and Lee Ki-man, executive director of the FFWPU-Japan Headquarters at Huis Ten Bosch, an environmentally conscious theme park in Japan





In an Asian country, it is a Western Village, with a hundred and thirty homes and ten apartment buildings. Some public buildings are exact replicas of famous buildings in Holland. It pays homage to the first foreign country that had a sustainable relationship with Japan. The Dutch set up a trading post in Japan in 1600 and for the next quarter century were often the only Western foreigners in Japan. In some sense, the theme park promotes the “one family” aspect of what the unification movement seeks to restore.

They planned and built Huis Ten Bosch theme park in boom times. If the company had not invested so much in the environment, it might have been able to endure some bad economic years that followed. Their analysis showed that they had many one-time visitors but not many repeat visitors. The fabulous night lighting that new management installed has solved that problem. People now come again and again.

True Mother stayed a day and a night at the theme park and then visited other places that highlighted human intervention with nature and the beauty of the global garden that is waiting to fill with people who reflect our True Parents’ love and their love for our Heavenly Parent.

- ① True Mother experiencing what Huis Ten Bosch calls the Kingdom of Light.
- ② Two of the park’s windmills provide the background for this photo of True Mother
- ③ True Mother and her entourage traveling on the Hakone Ropeway, up toward Tateyama in a mountainous area known as the Japan Alps in the same general area as Mt. Fuji.
- ④ True Mother and her entourage at Kurobe Dam, the building of which was a tremendous human feat and cost many lives. The Chinese character spell “Kurobe.”
- ⑤ Owakudani is famous for its hardboiled black eggs, the volcanic gases color the shell but the inside is unaffected.
- ⑥ True Mother at Tateyama (*yama* means “mountain,,” but in this case Tateyama is a word used to represent Onanjiyama and the Fujionoritate mountains together.)
- ⑦ Behind True Mother is Mt. Fuji, one of Japan’s “three holy mountains,” along with Tateyama and Hakyuyama.”



March together to Cheon Il Guk

True Mother invited a grand number of Japanese leaders to Korea for a special meeting, after which she held a joint meeting on Korea–Japan Harmony and Unity. This is told from the Japanese perspective covering both meetings.

From October 3 to 7, True Parents Invitational Special Assembly of Japanese Leaders took place in Korea. Nearly eight hundred members including elderly blessed couples, ministers, heads of wives associations and leaders of providential organizations participated. The special assembly occurred in conjunction with the fifty-seventh anniversary of the founding of FFWPU-Japan. The Japanese leaders learned the tenor of today's providence centering on True Parents. This helped them gain fresh determination to fulfill their responsibilities as true children to gain victory in Vision 2020 by achieving unity of heart with True Mother, who is leading the providence with a serious heart to save the 7.3 billion people in the world.

At the opening ceremony, held at the Cheongshim International Youth Center, on October 3, Cho Sung-Il, the director general of the FFWPU International Headquarters, gave a lecture to explain how True Parents have offered sincere devotion with a special focus on this assembly. "Please study hard," He said, "so you will be able to share with all of our church members about the providence True Parents are leading, True Parents' value and the state of the movement in other countries."

Next, the chairman of the judicial



branch of Cheon Il Guk (the Cheon Beob Won) Kim Jin-choon gave a lecture entitled "The Status and Value of True Parents." Then, Dr. Thomas Walsh, president of the Universal Peace Federation, reported to us about the International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace, which UPF has been establishing in all parts of the world in response to True Parents' hope.

On October 4, Japanese and Korean leaders gave reports at a debriefing session at the Cheon Jeong Gung. Song Yong-cheon, chairman of the Blessed Family Associations in Japan spoke on the theme "The Heart of Hyo Jeong (filial heart) toward Heaven," and introduced Japan's strategy for successfully fulfilling Vision 2020. He strongly appealed to the participants, "When you leave for Japan after this assembly, you must start off in the

① True Mother convened a meeting with leaders from Japan at the time of the fifty-seventh anniversary of the founding of FFWPU-Japan.

② True Mother then initiated a meeting of Korean and Japanese leaders to seek harmony as they work to fulfill Vision 2020.

position of a providential representative of True Parents and a successor of God's will with the dignity of a brave soldier and a spirit that will soar to heaven."

Then, True Mother spoke. She started out, "It is my pleasure to welcome you all," and gave a speech on God's providence from the perspective of historical development of civilization and our present responsibility. She emphasized, "Please become filial children, loyal subjects and proud warriors of Cheon Il Guk who will liberate Heavenly Parent and True Parents."



True Mother speaking at Snow Village Hall in YongPyong Resort to leaders from Japan and Korea seeking unity in order to realize Vision 2020.



At the luncheon banquet, performances by the Little Angels, songs and dances by the district leaders of CARP-Japan, graduates of Top Gun Workshops and Cheon Jeong Gung's music group, Apple Heaven, brought excitement to the site. In the afternoon, there was a report on the activities in Korea by the president of FFWPU-Korea, Ryu Kyeong-seuk, and a report on current media reports by Ahn Hyo-yeol, the director-general of the Tongil Foundation.

An alliance of brothers and sisters

On October 5, after a "Pilgrimage Tour of the Hyo Jeong Culture" at the Pine Ridge Resort in Gangwon Province near the east coast, the "Special Assembly for Japan-Korea Harmony" took place in True Mother's presence. On that day, True Mother brought six hundred and fifty leaders from all

parts of Korea on very short notice and not only gave a speech but also hosted a Japan-Korea yute tournament, which the Japanese team, led by President Tokuno Eiji, won.

On October 6, the Korea-Japan Cheon Il Guk Leaders' Harmony and Unity Kick-off for the Victory of Vision 2020 occurred at YongPyong Resort in Pyeongchang in Gangwon Province. Pyeongchang is the host city of the 2018 Winter Olympics.


A ceremony and oath

In the first part of the event, earth taken from the holy grounds of both countries was mixed together to represent the unity of Korea and Japan, which True Mother granted to the representatives of the two nations. This was followed by a Korea-Japan "sisterhood" ceremony. Twenty-seven district and regional leaders from Japan, including Chairman Song, President Tokuno and Executive Director Lee Ki-man established relationships with Korean leaders.

The "Kick-off for Korea-Japan Harmony and Unity" took place in the second part of the event. First, a Korean regional leader, Park Cheong-ho, and the Japanese regional leader of Region 10, Kitatani Saneo, presented flowers to True Mother. Then, a Korean regional leader, Oh Jae-baek, and chairperson of WFWP-Japan,

Hori Moriko, read aloud a resolution to kick-off Korea-Japan harmony and unity in front of True Mother, who stood at the center, and all of the participants proclaimed aloud, "We so resolve!" True Mother stated, "I strongly hope that Korea and Japan shall attain victory through unity as the world's father and mother."

In the afternoon, there was a Japan vs. Korea sports contest. The Korean team won the soccer match; the Japanese team won the volleyball and the tug-of-war. That night, the "Kick-off of Japan Cheong Il Guk Leaders" was held in the venue in YongPyong. In this event, President Tokuno gave a message entitled, "Let Us March Forward by Becoming One with the Horizontal Central Figure." Chairman Song's message followed. He recited the blessings we have received from True Mother in detail and called on the participants, "Let us fly high the flag of FFWPU and march forward to Cheon Il Guk."

In the end, ministers, heads of wives associations and representatives of providential organizations read aloud the "Resolution for Kick-off of Japanese Leaders Harmony and Unity" and altogether made a new start for the victory of Vision 2020. 

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The Multi-faceted Witnessing Conducted by FFWPU-Japan

We are pleased to present a section of the September 2016 issue of Sekai Katei (World Family) a magazine covering FFWPU-Japan, published by Kogensha. The section is on witnessing and comprises five testimonies from various parts of Japan, highlighting various methods of outreach and the hard work of Japanese members of various ages.

Course-Takers Increase through Active Utilization of LCD Tablets

Rev. Choi Bong-jun, the minister of the Shibata Family Church is emphasizing LCD tablet witnessing, which the Japanese headquarters church is promoting. Therefore, the Shibata Family Church has set a goal to utilize more than a hundred tablets. We have distributed more than seventy tablets to wives who are highly motivated in witnessing and have held witnessing meetings every week to teach them how to

use the tablets effectively. The wives are actively utilizing them to attract new members, engage families in *shosha* (transcription of passages or pages of our sacred texts) and in information sharing.

Last June, we declared Tuesday as the church's essential witnessing day. We marked the 54th essential witnessing day on July 26. We started this practice with thirty members and not many participated throughout the day. Now, though, the number of participants has increased. More than fifty members gather every Tuesday. Compared to when we first started, the members are more active and bring more results.

Furthermore, the ten center leaders are standing firmly as objects of Rev. Choi's heart and are taking good care of the members of their center and area. As a result, the members have grown substantially. I believe this is one of the main factors contributing to our achievements.

On June 9, Ms. Ito (a housewife) decided to take one of our courses through the tablet witnessing. Ms. Ito was a steady customer of a hair salon run by her relative Ms. Abe, who happened to be our church member. Ms. Ito is a stout-hearted person and does not usually show her weaknesses to others. Nevertheless, one day, when she came in for a haircut, she

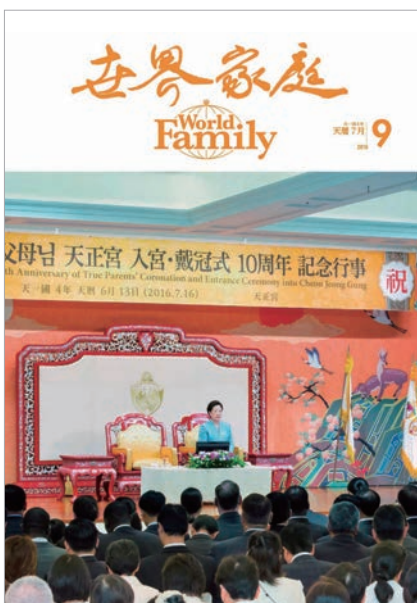
started talking about her family situation to Ms. Abe. She confessed that her family members were verbally abusing her. She later explained that she did not intend to talk about it, but she somehow ended up talking because there was nobody else in the salon at that time.

Listening to Ms. Ito's story, Ms. Abe recalled what she learned in the witnessing meetings about effective tablet use. She also remembered what Rev. Choi had said: "You should be thoroughly familiar with what is on your tablet," and took action. While she cut Ms. Ito's hair, she had her watch a video by Rev. Isao Asakawa entitled "A Lecture on Use of Language."

Ms. Ito said she was moved by the video because she could relate her situation to what was said in the lecture. She quickly decided to attend a church event for newcomers. After participating in the event, she decided to take a course on the Divine Principle and is now proceeding in her studies.

We can learn from this testimony that even if we are not confident enough to convey True Parents' teachings in our own words, we hope to advance toward victory in our Vision 2020 efforts through effective use of LCD tablets.

—Koyama Masami, director of





Trainees who have completed the first True Love Seminar. The church minister Rev. Mitsuhashi Hiroshi is in the center at the back; Middle row, second from right is Mrs. Mitsuhashi Kiyomi, and in the middle row, third from right, is Sakamoto Junko, head of the Wives Association.

Witnessing Education Division of the Shibata Family Church, Niigata Parish

A Transcription Event Moves My Guest's Heart

For a few years I have prayed, "Let me love the person whom God wants me to love. Please tell me how I might make Heavenly Parent happy every time I go out witnessing." One day, though, I heard an answer, "Please convey the beauty of the word." Until then, I was hesitant about joining a front-line witnessing team because I was working. Yet, realizing that success in witnessing is the greatest way to make Heavenly Parent happy, in April, I decided to join the front-line witnessing team.

Most members of the front-line team in the Fukuoka Family Church are devoted members who go out witnessing every day. I am the sole member who works outside the church. Although I can participate in witnessing activities only two or three times a week, the other members welcomed me, and I started out witnessing in joy and happiness.

Our witnessing activities focus on "shosha witnessing," where we have our guests transcribe a passage from *As a Peace-Loving Global Citizen*. When I first started witnessing on the team, failing to meet new guests, I would

often complain to my center leader, "Nobody listens to True Father's teachings!" In response, the center leader scolded me, "What was your attitude toward Heavenly Parent? What was your attitude toward the word? You should not judge others like that." On that point, I repented from my heart.

Since then, I offered sincerity by attending the morning hoondokhae sessions at the church and by doing hoondokhae of the Divine Principle. When I reaffirmed the beauty of the word, I met a man in his sixties, Mr. Oichi, whom True Parents' teachings deeply moved.

In April, the Fukuoka Region held the "Shosha Dedication Ceremony" with Rev. Isao Asakawa. From a week before the ceremony, the front-line team visited houses around the ceremony site. During that time, I met Mr. Oichi. He seemed deeply moved by the quotation "True love is a heart of giving that wants to give endlessly." He experienced shosha and decided to participate in the Dedication Ceremony personally.

On the day of the Dedication Ceremony, Rev. Asakawa's lecture deeply moved Mr. Oichi. During a meeting to interact with new guests, he said, "I will follow my wonderful mentors. Please provide me guidance." I was astonished because it had

only been three days since we had met.

Three days later, Mr. Oichi participated in a lecture for new guests held at the shosha hall and immediately decided to take the course. Now, he has already attended six lectures and is keeping up with his learning.

From the depths of my heart, I was grateful and happy to see my guest learning True Father's teachings with elation through shosha. At the same time, I felt that Heavenly Parent must be rejoicing even more.

I have realized that if I have firm determination and make some sincere offering, Heavenly Parents will prepare things for me. I want to keep up my effort to make Heavenly Parent happy by retaining a beginner's mind with an obedient heart.

—Yasokawa Masako, Fukuoka Family Church, Fukuoka Parish

Holding a "Happiness Lecture" for Local Residents as a Tribal Messiah Activity

Last year, when I attended the Tribal Messiah Workshop, held at the Isshin Educational Center with my wife, I thought to myself, "I have studied True Parents' teachings very hard. What can I do for my neighbors on that foundation?" That is how I came up with the idea of the "Happiness Lecture." A year ago, I



Mr. Tsuchiya talks in front of eight participants at the third "Happiness Lecture"

was appointed chairman of a senior citizen's club, so I thought it was good timing. I set the date of April 12 and started to make arrangements for the first lecture.

Looking back at what I have learned in the church, I considered the lecture theme. Since I assumed that a Divine Principle lecture would be too difficult for beginners, I decided to give a lecture entitled "Who am I?" incorporating the essence of True Parents' teachings in simple language. For the purpose of mobilizing them, I visited the wives among members of our community association and in my neighborhood and handed them handmade brochures.

On April 12, my wife and I worked together to prepare materials, tea and Japanese sweets and then waited at the community hall for people to come. As we waited, we became worried that perhaps nobody would come, but one by one eight people eventually arrived.

I talked about air, water and nature and referred to the root of humanity. All of the participants listened actively. In the round table talk we had after the lecture, we shared stories about our daily lives. I gave a brief introduction of the next lecture at the end, and the program ended successfully.

On May 17, despite untimely rain, eight people, including four from the last lecture, came for the second lecture. The title of the lecture was "Husband and Wife, Ties and Bonds." I started out with a question: "How

does a couple end up meeting among 7.3 billion human beings?" and included quotations from True Parents, such as "A couple should value their feeling of gratitude for each other" in my lecture.

In the third lecture held on July 5, I spoke on the topic "A Couple Becomes One," and we had an animated discussion about married life. Furthermore, the couples who participated seemed impressed and very happy.

I collect historical myths and legends associated with our community on a daily basis so I could introduce them in my lectures. For that reason, I often visited the community's elders and listened to their tales. I also visited archeological sites to take photos. As another tack, I am trying to make the lectures seem more interesting by adding photographs of the community's historical sites in the brochures.

My goal is to hold the lecture once each month; eventually, I want to utilize a projector or other audiovisual system and include additional interesting material. After I have developed a foundation to a certain extent, I would like to hold lectures by inviting lecturers from the church. I am turning seventy-eight this September. I still want to do many things, but the number of things I can no longer do has also increased. However, I am determined to work even harder to convey to True Parents' teachings to many people. — Tsuchi-

ya Kazuyoshi, Ashikaga Higashi Family Church, Tochigi Parish (blessed among the 30,000 couples)

Pushing the Providence Forward with a Cane: Strong Members of the Spirit World—Physical World Blessing Group!

I would like to introduce the "True Love Seminar," in which our elderly members are lively and active.

According to a proposal made by the church minister Rev. Mitsuhashi Hiroshi, the church established an Educational Department for Elderly Members under Mrs. Mitsuhashi. It comprises ten members who received the blessing through the Spirit World—Physical World Blessing Ceremony. Their average age is seventy-five and the oldest member is an eighty-nine-year-old grandmother.

The seminar curriculum starts with a cemetery tour in the city of Suzuka in Mie Prefecture. The members will then participate in a study session held every week for four months. In the morning, they listen to Divine Principle lectures and Rev. Isao Asakawa's lectures on the spirit world. After lunch, they involve themselves in voluntary activities such as cleaning the church, and then they go home.

In the morning, the members willingly listen to the lectures with bright eyes like little girls. In the car on the way home, they talk about what they learned through the lecture and laugh about all kinds of topics. They are like kids enjoying a field trip.

Furthermore, as a practice, the members distribute True Father's autobiography, *As a Peace-loving Global Citizen*, to the people they meet in their daily lives. Keeping their goal of distributing forty copies each in mind, they have distributed the autobiography to people they met at the supermarket, to a taxi driver and to any stranger they met during a trip to one of Japan's hot springs. Quite obviously, they are gradually gaining in confidence each time they call their Abel to report their results.

Most of the members have a bent back, including three of them who experienced back compression fracture in the past. However, you sense their strong determination. One of them might say, There's nothing to fear! I have three legs! while actively



Church wives learning how to use tablets in a witnessing meeting (July, Shibata Family Church)

taking part in a seminar with a cane in her hand.

Among the curriculum, there is a test on the Divine Principle. To see them studying to memorize the names of biblical figures before the test is quite inspiring. As a matter of fact, all of them failed to pass the first test, but in the makeup test, as a result of taping notes on their bathroom walls or writing the probable answers over and over again, most of them earned full marks. Seeing them rejoice like schoolgirls saying, "We can do it!" was impressive.

Previously, they used to be like "guests" in relation to Heaven's providence, but now they are seriously considering ways to testify about True Parents to the world even as they commiserate with one another over their aches and pains. Plainly, they have developed into the strongest spirit world-physical world blessed members, who with cane in hand would go anywhere.

Furthermore, on seeing these members taking part in church activities in happy harmony, our neighbors are beginning to say that it seems as if these grandmothers are contributing to revitalizing the community. Rev. Mitsuhashi says, "Young people may be important but let's also spark a revolution among elderly members!" Above all things, the whole church is gaining strength on seeing these elderly members with bent backs taking part in service projects and distributing True Fa-

ther's autobiography.

—Sakamoto Junko, head of the Wives Association of the Konan Family Church, North Aichi Parish

Transcribing True Father's Autobiography and Caring for a Pet Dog

The South Chiba Parish has conducted transcription of True Father's autobiography as a part of witnessing activities. I would like to introduce the testimony of Ms. Watari, a fifty-three-year-old housewife who joined the church eight years ago and was guided spiritually through practicing transcription for her son from the bottom of her heart.

Around June, last year, Ms. Watari's son refused to attend high school due to some incident. Seeing her son shutting himself away from society, Ms. Watari suggested she get him a pet dog. Fortunately, he agreed and willingly chose a small two-month-old dog to raise. After about a month, the dog suddenly refused to eat and became increasingly vulnerable. Ms. Watari hurriedly took him to an animal hospital. After the diagnostic test result, the doctor said there were abnormalities in the heart and the liver but he needed further examinations. The doctor referred them to the Tokyo University Veterinary Medical Center. Ms. Watari felt at a loss upon realizing that the dog she had gotten for her son was sick. To be honest, she felt like shouting, We don't have money to spare for an ill

dog! We can barely feed the family!

However, her son said, "I think the dog came to me for a reason. I want to do my best to help him." Ms. Watari and her husband decided to do their best to grant his wish and headed for the medical center.

As a result of a computed-tomography (CT) exam, the dog was diagnosed with congenital abnormality of the liver in addition to an abnormality in the lung and the heart. The doctor said, "I have never seen such a serious case," and pronounced, "I'm sorry but the dog will not live long." He then prescribed medicine for supportive care and sent them home.

However, Ms. Watari could not give up hope. She started transcribing with all her heart so the dog would get better by the next appointment with the doctor, which was scheduled for the following month. She continued transcribing daily with strong belief that her son would recover if his dog did. Furthermore, she offered her sincerity through forty minutes of hoondokhae every day.

A month later, to everyone's surprise, the doctor told the family that the dog's heart and lung had recovered to a nearly their normal states. The doctor said with astonishment, "He couldn't have recovered to this degree through medicine alone. There must have been another, invisible factor." Furthermore, a few months later, the doctor concluded that the dog was healthy enough to tolerate the surgery to correct the congenital abnormality of the liver. After undergoing the surgery, the dog is now twice as healthy, eats well and gives comfort to all members of the family.

Looking back on those days, Ms. Watari said, "I cannot help thinking that my son's encounter with the dog was not chance but necessity. My son learned the preciousness of life and gained a lot of courage from the dog. He had shut himself away from society and stayed home all day, but now he can go out. He enjoys taking his dog out for a walk. He was able to graduate from high school and is now undergoing rehabilitation to be reintegrated into the society."

—Takayuki Koshikawa, director of Witnessing Education Division of the Chiba Family Church (South Chiba Parish) ㊦

Introducing the FFWPU International Headquarters' Blessed Family Department



The Blessing Ceremony is crucial to the salvation of the institution of the family.

Our True Parents have said that we must live a life of one tradition, one bloodline and one life of resemblance as we approach the age of Cheon Il Guk in this era after the coming of heaven. In order to live and attend True Parents, blessed couples and blessed children must emulate the life of True Parents, who are the embodiment of our Heavenly Parent. True Parents have emphasized that we must resemble the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind from start to finish. Therefore, the Family Department of the FFWPU International Headquarters came into being during the time approaching the third anniversary of Foundation Day in the fourth year of Cheon Il Guk for the victory of vision 2020.

Our vision

The vision we strive for in the Family Department is “the substantial settlement of the family-type Cheon Il Guk, through one tradition, one lineage and through one resemblance centered on the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind.” Our mission is the establishment of the blessing culture, by fulfilling the mission of tribal messiahs through inheriting the tradition of family messiahs, revitalizing the blessing to bless all people of the world, branding the blessing,



The Family Department, *clockwise from lower left*: Motoyama Katsuyoshi, the team leader; Bang Seung-man, the department director; Joo Min-sook and Oyamada Moritada, office staff members (and a blessed couple)

fulfilling the three great blessings based on absolute sex, and the realization of a common heart.

Our tasks

The important tasks under the Family Department's purview include the eight major holy days and stages of the life cycle from birth to seonghwa. Other central tasks of the department are managing the church traditions and religious traditions and rites, which entails bequeathing the tradition through blessed families' genealogy. They include creating a member database and family tree for church and tribal management and assistance. They cover bequeathing the seonghwa culture and establishing and running the International Seonghwa Council to spread and inculcate the culture. This area entails management of the Seonghwa Ceremony. Management of the Holy Wine Ceremony and Holy Items are also among our essential tasks, as is the management of True Parents' Blessing. Other responsibilities are managing the rules and regulations of international blessings and increasing the efficiency of the blessing process generally by developing a web site. Managing the Blessing Council and the International Council for the Development and Succession of the Culture and Value of the Blessing are also among our

important tasks. We are also tasked with strengthening our ability to produce and propagate good educational material. Additionally, we are to manage the international council to revitalize the international headquarters hub and the networking between FFWPU regions. Strengthening communications and reporting in order to understand the current situation of blessed families is another task we have, as is managing a reporting system to share best practices.

Global developments


Concurrent with the establishment of the Family Department within the international headquarters, all thirteen regions established Family Departments and appointments of Family Department directors took place.

The Family Department within the international headquarters and those in the regional headquarters are working together centered on True Parents on tasks related to blessed families to create a system to enhance efficiency. The FFWPU International Headquarters' Family Department is fulfilling a significant role as the headquarters for all Family Departments. This is a great expression of deep love from True Parents toward all blessed families, and it is also a great blessing.

True Mother has said that the FFWPU International Headquarters' Family Department is connecting the 7.3 billion people of the world through true love, true life and true lineage as it passes on the tradition of the blessing, revitalizes blessing activities and cultivates blessed families that take responsibility and as they work together with the leaders of the thirteen regions for the fundamental goal of FFWPU—the substantial realization of Cheon Il Guk.

We will develop a Family Department that will earn trust and respect as we create the culture of heart and shine a light upon the world. We will do this through embodying a heart of filial piety toward Heaven by which love will overflow and people will live for the sake of others and forgive one another.

We doing our best in order to realize the dream of the substantiation of Cheon Il Guk, in which all humankind will believe in and give glory and praise to True Parents by 2020.

Those working in the FFWPU International Headquarters' Family Department will march forward together with the Family Departments of the thirteen regions centered on True Parents in order to realize True Parents' great dream. 

The Effectiveness of Coaching for Tribal Messiahs

By Gil Young-hwan

- ❶ Tribal messiah work is interactive and calls for convincing others of what is true and right. Prof. Gil deals with this at the basic level, teaching members, here in Cambodia, the most effective way of speaking to people.
- ❷ Members in Cambodia working in a group, delving into the material
- ❸ Malaysian members learning to communicate in new ways



The greatest difference between coaching conversation and regular conversation is that coaching conversation is not self-centered but is a conversational method that gives help and is for the sake of the other. This is something that tribal messiahs, who are following True Parents' teachings, must explore. Tribal messiah leadership, when it comes to relationships and communication, should not be self-centered but should be leadership that exists for the sake of the other. With this premise, you can say that coaching is a highly suitable conversational method for tribal messiahs.

Therefore, so that we gain a better understanding of coaching, let us examine the differences between coaching and similar forms of counseling—mentoring, teaching and consulting. Then let us see what changes coaching can produce in those that practice it.

Coaching versus counseling

In general, counseling is the concept of treating people who are unhealthy psychologically. It is one of the methods used for psychotherapy. Therefore, it is necessary for the clients to remember past events, and from there search for the cause of their pain. The essence of counseling is achieving dominance and leading clients

through their past in order to find these problem areas.

Therefore, the counselor, more than the clients, is in the dominant position, leading the process, asking questions and searching for the problem areas.

The coaching approach differs from that. Whereas in counseling, you may see the counselor as being in the dominant position in treating clients' problems, in coaching, the clients are the ones that take the dominant position in solving their own problems. The coach is only there to guide them through that process, and in contrast to counseling, the clients themselves are the dominant force in solving problems.

Different orientation

Another difference between coaching and counseling is that when conversing with the coaching approach, the conversation is future-oriented. During the process of conversation in coaching, unlike counseling, past problems do not arise in the discussion. Rather than pulling out incidents from the past, as much as possible coaching helps clients achieve what they want in the future. If coaching is future-oriented, you could say counseling is past-oriented. In coaching, the process of closing the gap between where a client is now, and where the client wants to be is important. For example, a counselor might ask, Did this problem or something similar ever occur in the past? or Is there something from your childhood that you absolutely cannot forget?

However, in coaching they ask, What is something you are looking forward to? or If something that you would never forget were to happen, what might that be? In this way, more than being past-oriented coaching is future-oriented, and its topics of discussion cover more uplifting subjects than unfavorable ones.

When you look at this for the tribal messiah activities, if you meet single person or a person with a family that is in a dire situation and is in need of treatment, counseling can take on that work. For the recovery and growth of a healed member, though, coaching fits that role. Coaching contributes to healthy people achiev-

ing the goals they want. Therefore, in order to be healthy, vibrant tribal messiahs, coaching is effective.

Consulting versus coaching

Consultants usually receive a problem and then exert effort to diagnose it in order to find a means of resolution. For a given problem, consultants offer or give alternatives or solutions, provide answers. They focus on the achieving the goal they had been given. Their purpose is to concentrate on accomplishing the "what." This comes mostly from a consultant's experience or knowledge. Though relying on reference material, generally the dominant factor in solving these problems is the consultant. On the contrary, coaching focuses more on the "who" than on the job. The difference between coaching and consulting is that in order for clients to achieve what they want, coaching promotes self-change. In other words, coaches support clients so the clients can discover the solution to their problems themselves. The coaches then guide the solving process so that clients can put the solutions they discovered into practice. The purpose of coaching is for the client to develop that ability. Therefore coaching is a mutual process and is centered on the person that is working for it.

For example, let us imagine that a church is receiving consultation on how to develop their church. After the church has explained the type of church they wish to be, they would make a plan, and follow through by doing whatever the consultant proposes. The consultant has accumulated many reference materials and information from past consulting. The consultant provides information or proposes methods for the development of the church, and then the church members follow the consultant's proposal as a guide.

Coaching requires a different approach. In coaching, the opportunity to coach is offered first to the leaders or members inside the church. A coach helps them achieve what they want and guides them to find what they themselves have to do for the development of the church. Then the pastors or the core leaders and the members who will carry out the work divide into groups to lead

that development. For members that must become thriving tribal messiahs, through coaching from within the church, they receive help in accomplishing the goal themselves as tribal messiahs.

Mentoring versus coaching

Coaching and mentoring are similar. Nevertheless, a difference exists. Mentoring requires the relationship of mentor and mentee, which is mostly a hierarchical relationship. This characteristic of mentoring results in the mentee trying to resemble the mentor. The mentor takes the experiences they have had and with that model strongly influences the mentee. Accordingly, deep personal involvement is at work.

In coaching, however, the relationship between the coach and the client does not derive from the coach's experience and the coach is not a model. In addition, the coach's personal involvement is less prominent than the sense that the client and coach are partners going forward together in an equal partnership. Clients take responsibility for the decisions they make, and the coach aids them so they can develop their own unique identities. Though the characteristic of a coach can be a factor in a strong sense of trust developing in a client as they carry out their work, the coach does not interfere or influence the client's actions.

Mentors mentor using their various life experiences and skills. However, it is possible for coaches to coach even if they are ignorant about some aspects of what the client is doing.

Unificationist mentors

Let's look at an example of mentoring in the church. A senior church member usually is the mentor. Through their experiences in ministry, education in faith, testimonies, and use of True Parents' speeches, they are able to mentor younger members. An older student is likewise capable of mentoring younger students about their career paths or about faith, through the older student's own experiences of reaching his or her goals.

However, coaching is not like that. It is even possible for someone with no church experience to coach if they know coaching techniques. If a leader



Malaysian members gathered to learn from Professor Gil an important skill in a rarely discussed area that will help them more effectively guide people as tribal messiahs.

with abundant tribal messiah experience coaches as if she were a mentor, it is possible for her to be a mentor coach. It is also possible to coach without having any tribal messiah experience. Therefore, in order to be successful as tribal messiahs, we need to cultivate coaches in the church who are exclusively responsible for coaching. Raising professional coaches will be a great help in expanding tribal messiahs.

Teaching versus coaching

Teaching, as the name implies, involves imparting technical knowledge. Generally, in teaching the student does not know something and the teacher unilaterally passes on their knowledge. Teachers and professors use this method.

However, coaches do not teach. The philosophical position of a coach is that clients have all the answers in themselves. This is position that the traditional coaching method starts from. Therefore, the approach is completely different. During the coaching method training, trainers often say, "Don't teach, coach" to remind the coaches to guard against trying to teach what they know. Hence the process of learning how to coach is difficult for those with teaching habits, because generally leaders who have taught or trained people, unconsciously have the habit of teaching their own knowledge or speaking from their own experiences. Of course, teaching the answer to someone who does not know it is a quick

way to find the solution. However, an answer learned through teaching is not the students' own, so there is difficulty for them in achieving it.

However, a great coach, during the process of coaching will guide clients to find the hidden answer inside of them, and help clients become people that can guide themselves to a creative and developed future. Through this, more than with teaching, the client becomes more dynamic and productive, because the client learns the skill of coaching.

Let us look at an example in the Divine Principle. Divine Principle lecturers, namely those who teach, become more expert the more they teach. However, there is no guarantee that those who listen to the lectures become experts. What would happen if you used the coaching style in teaching the Divine Principle one on one? If this is successful, more than just listening to the lectures, our guests will reach the stage where they can go and coach others in the Divine Principle. Their understanding of the Divine Principle also becomes much deeper, and it is certain that Divine Principle coaching will multiply.

For Divine Principle lectures presented in the teaching style, the lectures are restricted to the time and place of they occur. However, Divine Principle education given in the one-on-one coaching style does not have restrictions of time and place, and a great opportunity exists for it to endlessly multiply.

General experiences

Tribal messiahs are those who embody the three great subject principles. We must embody the principles of a true parent, true teacher and true owner.

Teaching is unable to achieve this. In order to become the true parent, true teacher and true owner, we must go beyond teaching, develop self-realization regarding our responsibilities and embody the three great subject principles. The coaching style is far more effective than teaching at this. Coaching is far more effective and a more developed communication tool especially for hoondokhae, hoondok family church, and for leading small groups. The Tribal Messiah Leader School set up three stages called the process of becoming true owners; the students practice coaching leadership for ten weeks. This is to multiply and foster the leadership among tribal messiahs, who must live for the sake of others.

Using this process in Korea and Japan with pastors and members has proven highly effective. Through this, many testimonies emerged of how members themselves and their families received healing. Other members, through coaching, not only could heal problems in their family but became the coach for their church. Around sixty Japanese missionaries, mostly those in bi-cultural families, became expert coaches. They are now working as tribal messiahs in Korea.

We are also receive reports about good results of coaching when used as a witnessing tool. Below are a few



Cambodian members learning the mind-set with which to best help people come to a natural understanding of True Parents' value and mission.

cases in which coaching has been a help in a family or personally.

Personal testimonies

I had received a “model member” award. Even now, I teach Sunday school. I also go to Cheongpyeong often and completed reading a hundred of True Parents' speeches. I attended Wednesday service with my children and played sports or exercised with them and worked hard to be a good father. However, due to conflicts with my older son, our relationship had reached the point where we were almost cutting ties as parent and child. I had pressured my family and children, who did not have the same level of faith as I did, about their faith. At this point, I learned about coaching and realized that my life of faith centered on myself and one-sided love was (contrary to my expectation) a burden and source of stress on my children. Through coaching, I have recovered my relationship with my family. However, whenever I feel that the aftereffects of my previous actions are great, I wish I had learned about coaching earlier.

—An Ilsan church member

Healing

I am using a coaching conversational style when I speak with a terminal cancer patient in the long-term hospital who cannot eat food due to the cancer blocking his small intestines. However, compared to before, the patient has gotten much better. When

I say, “gotten better,” I do not mean he is better because the cancer is gone but because this terminally ill patient has been released from the mental fear of death. From now on, it is up to the doctors at the hospital, but through using the coaching conversational style, I can tell that he is recovering each day. When I look at this I wonder, Is this real? Is it possible to heal a terminally ill cancer patient through coaching style conversations?

I am carefully investigating the possibility of healing through coaching here at the hospital with terminally ill patients. The head of the hospital has also asked me to use coaching conversation with the other patients.

—A Gyeyang Church Member

Self-coaching

At that time, for the first time, I met “another me” that was inside of me. I was crying out in a dark place. I couldn't move because of heavy chains. I was bleeding, and my heart felt as if I were about to die. I realized that I had not treated myself as precious or valuable. Remorse about how I had treated myself filled my being. As the guilt in my heart toward God overflowed, I could not stop my tears. I realized that I had to start with treating this “other me” inside of myself as precious and with love. I realized how important self-coaching was. It allowed me to meet our Heavenly Parent's original mind inside myself. After time passed and my heart settled, I watched a video called

“Purification of Heart” [Professor Gil's lecture] and realized that the “other self” I had met during the workshop had been Heavenly Parent. The person that had been crying, bleeding, calling out my name and asking for help, that person had been Heavenly Parent crying out from within my heart. When I realized this, I cried again and felt so remorseful.

Heavenly Parent I am sorry. I am sorry. Please forgive me. Please forgive me, who has mistreated you until this point. Thank you so much for not running away from my heart and fighting with your life against Satan to protect me. I am so happy because you dwell within me.

That was what I said after watching that video. All of a sudden, I felt warm as if someone were embracing me. Just as the professor had said in the video, I am now confident that Heavenly Parent absolutely dwells within me.

—A Sun Moon University student

Coaching's effects

Many more cases exist of how coaching has worked in people's lives. Some from members whose lives used to revolve around taking orders and thinking centered on themselves, but their lives have now changed. They have changed through this process of becoming tribal messiahs by coaching oneself, coaching others and living for the sake of others. *☞*

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The Inner Quest, Alive in Romania

Reflections on a one-day workshop



Young Romanians ponder how true human value might be restored.

We are happy to report our results from last week concerning the one-day Divine Principle workshop, which took place on the October 22. The title of the meeting was “How to restore our true human value?” The topic covered both responsibility and freedom, as they are working hand in hand and depending on each other in our pursuit of happiness, as an aspect of our life’s purpose. Naturally, it also delved into the cause and root of human suffering and the solution for all of this through the Principle of Restoration. The Peace Center hosted three guests, setting up the spiritual atmosphere in which all could feel welcomed and accepted. All the participants willingly expressed their understanding and personal beliefs during the discussion time or whenever the lecturer challenged them to do so.



The Divine Principle lectures

PowerPoint material included some bold questions: How do we achieve mind–body unity? How do we recognize or become an ideal person? What did people lose at the Fall? Did you ever recognize around you manifestations of unprincipled love? Some of the most interesting and exciting discussion were about the language used in the Bible and how it was influenced so much by the historical time when it was written and the intellectual level of the prophets as they had been farmers, simple men, or on the contrary, quite educated men.

Another topic was about Creationism versus Evolutionism or more accurately how can we include them both in a perspective that is equally logical and non-diminishing of the human status? One of our guests was wondering about the character of an ideal man. She mentioned that most probably when you are on the journey of becoming the ideal self you do not realize that this is happening; you are too preoccupied with what is happening—your changes in conscience and heart—that you surpass the ego and arrive in a higher plane of life-view. There’s no way to get bored while you’re at it.

Our personal essence

Another fired up discussion concerned the Fall and the perspective


offered by the Divine Principle, because people see a great value in true love but generally consider that the main sin was an act of disobedience. There are still many things to clarify concerning the relationship between the spirit self and the physical self and concerning the substance of the soul. After sharing and discussing, we had lunch together and then we had a happy day in the Peace Center, because there was a big protest on the streets, concerning the unity between Romania and Besarabia, a protest during which people suffered injuries. The first game included miming, drawing and guessing certain words and the second game was more a way of solidifying the relationship between us as we had to write the first good word that came to mind when hearing another person’s name, so that at the end each person received many pieces of paper with flattering words and smiles. We believe that all these activities bring us together and are necessary for our mind, spirit and body, keeping us healthy and happy.

Character edification

A point that encourages us in our endeavors for character education is that Romanian young people, compared to the Western countries, have quite a pure mind and good spirit. Many of them believe in God and

- ① Study of Divine Principle sparked discussions on broader topics regarding religion and the intersection of faith and science.
- ② That young people with intellectual curiosity and open hearts are studying Divine Principle in Romania bodes well for the nation.

they have asked many questions about the purpose of life. Consequently, we are still a nation that values the Christian ideology and traditions, our own national identity embodying such concepts. Faith cannot be imposed; it can be taught and shaped but never forced into somebody. Faith is a choice and a freedom and we are hopeful to think that Romania has not lost its inner freedom but it has maintained it because of the trials and tribulations that it has endured.

We are very happy for having been able to organize this one-day Divine Principle workshop, because we can feel how our relationship with the CARP members involved as staff can have a more open and flexible nature. The ultimate hope is to create the kind of bonds as between real brothers and sisters. In the context of the present society, the realm of *shimjung* is under constant reconstruction, but as much as we invest true love there is freedom of the spirit. 

This was a testimony from the Romanian CARP family.



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