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Song Yong-cheon, President of FFWPU- International



ear leaders and blessed families of Cheon Il Guk, warm greetings to all!

This 12th year of Cheon II Guk brings us a splendid May spring, a gift from Heaven. The earth is alive with sprouting seeds, beautiful blooms, and lush green mountains, all filled with the boundless love and grace of our Heavenly Parent. I hope the warm spring sunlight and Heaven's blessings continue to enrich your families and churches.

April was a festive time as we celebrated the 64th anniversary of the Holy Wedding of the True Parents. The HJ Cheonwon complex overflowed with joy during several days of events. The grand opening of the Gapyeong Begonia Bird Park and the launch of the Gapyeong Cruise were highlights, offering a rejuvenating space for the people of Cheon II Guk and visitors from around the world to enjoy the restored Garden of Eden in Cheongpyeong, amidst a festival of flowers and birds.

The transformation in Cheongpyeong is nothing short of miraculous. Centered on our True Parents and propelled by the dedication of our families, the area is being beautifully arranged. New buildings are emerging in each valley, reflecting the grandeur of Cheon II Guk, while the scenic Cheonshim Lake area blends nature and architecture, filling the air with the scent of begonias and showcasing the elegance of a kingdom of heaven on earth. We are deeply grateful to Heaven for these blessings.

This spring, the IHQ launched a special educational program titled "Stature and Value of the True Parents" for blessed families, members, and ambassadors for peace worldwide. This program, is commemorating the 64th anniversary of the True Parents' Holy Wedding, and is part of our commitment to victory and dedication.

This special education marks the start of the 12th year of Cheon II Guk. True Mother has called us to clear away all negative energies and bring perfect order in every aspect of our lives. This training was specifically designed to help all blessed families unite in celebration of the 64th anniversary of the Holy Wedding and to prepare earnestly for the "Entry into the Cheon II Sanctum in the Cheon Won Gung."

In Heavenly Korea, after completing a 14-day intensive on the teachings of the True Parents, churches have held services to share their successes. Likewise, Heavenly Japan, Heavenly America, and continents worldwide are fortifying themselves with doctrines suited to the era of Cheon II Guk, aiming to create a conducive environment for a triumphant entry into the Cheon Won Gung Cheon II Sanctum and to diligently seek the "Righteous of the Era."

Dear blessed families,

The IHQ will continue to work relentlessly across all regions to realize the long-cherished dreams of our Heavenly Parent and the profound desires of the True Parents. I encourage every member to embrace the teachings of "The Value of True Parents from the Viewpoint of Heaven's Providence," bequeathed to us by the True Parents. Let us organize and refine our efforts this year in Cheon II Guk to perfectly dedicate the coming 13th year—a year of completion—to Heaven. May the grace and blessings of our Heavenly Parent and the True Parents be with you all. $\tilde{\varphi}$

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Allow us to Inherit the Original Realm of the Sovereignty and Blessing

The Holy Marriage Blessing Ceremony of the Parents of Heaven and Earth Opening Cheon II Guk February 6, 2003, Chung Pyung Heaven and Earth Training Center

Beloved Father! Today is the sixth of Beloved Father! Today is the sixth of February of the third year of Cheon II Guk. From now on, for the blessed families in both the spiritual world and the physical world to enter Cheon II Guk, both the spiritual world and the physical world have to follow the heavenly law by forming brotherly relationships. All ancestors in the spirit world, who stand in Cain's position, as well as all families on earth in Abel's position, should receive the Blessing and become brothers through the bloodline of the parents. Thank you for allowing us to possess the Gate of the Opening of Heaven of Cheon II Guk marking the hopeful start of the historic turning point recreating heaven and earth, when the ancestors in the spiritual world in the elder brother's position will take that of the younger brother, and the blessed families in the physical world will move from the younger brother's to the elder brother's position.

Now the accomplishments of the Parents here on earth, and those of the Cosmic Parent in the spirit

world will serve as examples to parents both in the spiritual world and the physical world and will play an important part in the process of restoration when all children will be re-created and registered as citizens of Cheon Il Guk. These blessed families will indemnify and restore everything that lost its original position back to that position, so that they will serve the Parents of Heaven and Earth in the position of children, and will enter their ancestral fatherland centered on the original spiritual world and the original physical world. Please regard these blessed families of both the spiritual world and the physical world, who are in a brotherly relationship, with compassion, and allow True Parents to realize many accomplishments on earth so that they can indemnify and liberate, and pass on everything to their direct lineage: the names of the parents, the word and the accomplishments of the word of the parents, and the norm of the complete liberation of the cosmos centered on the accomplishments of the word. We are finally able to upright the original spiritual world, which was turned upside down, by having the spirits in the spiritual world, who have hitherto occupied the elder brother's position, to exchange their places with the people on earth, who had been in the younger brother's position. This means that we are now free to walk on the path that leads directly to heaven.

From now on, all of creation -- the children, the object, and the parents -- who are the objects of the ideal of creation, having one heart, one body, one mindset and one harmony in mind, should become one and greet the new era in which we are able to complete the settlement of the family in the physical world, in which we will be able to live while serving God directly. True Parents, who know this truth, have passed on this blessing to us, and we should pass on this source of all blessings as a tradition by centering eternally on absolute, unique and unchanging ideal love. The blessed families who are gathered here today with the children will inherit this and manifest this to their descendants, and these blessed families are allowed to walk forward into the realm of the liberation and settlement of the ideal of family, by becoming one, by centering on the brotherly relationship between the people in the Cain and Abel positions, so that their future ancestors and descendants will all become perfected in the horizontal level, and form the four position foundation in the eyes of God. We hope and pray that you will grant everything that the Cosmic Parent and the Parents of Heaven and Earth desire, by opening wide the gates of Cheon Il Guk 360 degrees, so that all families following the traditions of the parents will inherit the freedom and discretion that comes from walking the dutiful way of children of filial piety, patriots, saints and divine sons and daughters, in order to inherit the name, the word, the accomplishments and the victory of the parents.

I ask You humbly to make all this happen, and that You will bless these families to become heirs and descendants' worthy to inherit the original realm of the sovereignty and blessing, that comes from the realm of the complete liberation of the entrance into the unified nation of the physical world, the spiritual world and heaven, which will liberate Your ideal of creation and Your determination. I report this in the name of the True Parents. Amen! Amen! *T*



We Must Welcome and Attend the Heavenly Parent on Earth

True Mother's Words at the 64th Anniversary of the Cosmic Holy Wedding of the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind Cheongshim Peace World Center, April 24, 2024, in the 12th year of Cheon II Guk



ice to meet you as we mark the 64th anniversary of the Holy Wedding, imagine if the Christian world of the 1960s had fully embraced The desires and dreams of Jesus Christ, How different the providence of the True Parents would have been. Why did Jesus have to die on the cross? The Creator made all things in the universe according to His image, Creating the mineral, plant, and animal worlds in pairs, and finally, He created man and woman to be the ancestors of humanity, Giving humans a period of growth. He waited for them to grow and reach maturity on their own. However, those who should have become human ancestors Did not grow in the absolute unity with God and fell, Resulting in their expulsion from Eden. The Creator is consistent from beginning to end. Having started, He must tie up all loose ends. He cannot alter the principles He established.

Therefore, Heaven could not abandon fallen humanity and initiated the providence of salvation. This is known through the Bible, Where God chose the people of Israel, and through a long 4,000 years from individuals to families, tribes, peoples, and nations, every era had central figures, and if they failed or could not fulfill their responsibilities, inevitably there had to be indemnity, All leading up to sending His only begotten son, Jesus Christ, after 4,000 years of incredible effort. Why then did he have to go to the cross after only 33 years? Here we must understand. Jesus was born of Mary, said to be by the Holy Spirit. However, Mary, Zechariah's family, and Judaism, of course, did not know the essence of Jesus. The people of Israel, who endured such hardships, waited for the Messiah, but did not know what the Messiah was supposed to do. In the end, there was no one around Jesus to cooperate with him. He appointed twelve disciples, but they also did not know the providence. In the end, Jesus had no choice but to go to the cross, crying out, "Father, if it is possible, let this

cup pass from me; yet not as I will, but as you will."

The people of Israel, who sent the central figure whom Heaven had awaited and who could have been the True Father to resurrect and recreate fallen humanity, to the cross, do you know what indemnity they had to pay? Jesus said he would come again, and that next time there would be the feast of the lamb, But Christianity started with the resurrection of the Holy Spirit through the apostles. However, they did not know the essence of Jesus. They just waited for his second coming, thinking he might come at any time. Christianity began with this stance and spread across the world through Europe, gaining official recognition in Rome. However, they failed to practice 100% the command to love your neighbor as yourself.

The continent that suffered the most under Christianity was Africa. How could missionaries carrying the Bible enslave Africans just because they looked different? This should never have happened. Moreover, in the realm of Christianity, the communist idea that "God is dead, there is no God" emerged. Today, the world is still caught in a clash between democracy and communism. Looking at today's reality, where the world is drifting into an increasingly divided state, Heaven has allowed many religions to save fallen humanity. Depending on the region, He permitted religions that could lead the people, mostly led by men. But looking at the principle of creation, a man alone cannot give birth to life. The same goes for religion. Now all religions have come to an endpoint. Where should they go from here? They must seek the True Parents, who serve Heaven.

As President Song said earlier in his opening speech, if in the 1960s Christian foundations had welcomed the feast of the lamb, the world would already have become a peaceful world of one human family under the Heavenly Parent. But that did not happen, and the True Parents' history Had to go through a wilderness course of 53 years. However, the responsibility of the True Parents, to fulfill the Creator Heavenly Parent's dream on earth, when looked at in terms of the True Parents' responsibility, Heaven told me to declare Foundation Day. I have to show it, not just declare it.

To revisit the matter, the only begotten Son was born at the time of Jesus' intended marriage and the completion of the providence, but there was no only begotten Daughter. Heaven absolutely needed to choose a new chosen people and give birth to an only begotten Daughter. This had to occur within the Christian realm in 1943, and many spiritual pastors and people needed to testify to this.

I was born under Japanese rule, and was liberated in 1945. At that time, the Presbyterian Church in the US was actively involved in Pyongyang, which led to the emergence of many memorable pastors. However, after World War II ended, the Korean Peninsula was divided into North and South by the Allied Forces because of the Soviet Union. Five years later, the Korean War broke out. Here, you need to understand that the Creator, when considering the principle of creation, gave humans a period of growth.

Thus, for the only begotten Daughter born after 6000 years, Heaven had to protect her until she could grow, make decisions, and commit on her own. But at that time, with the peninsula divided into North and South, with democracy and communism and the North preparing for an invasion of the South, where many independence movement leaders were present, it took some time to establish order. The North, centered around Kim Il Sung, was seamlessly preparing for an invasion. A six-year-old child cannot take on the providence of Heaven.

Therefore, I was moved south, and during the Korean War, when the South was not fully prepared to oppose the North and could have turned communist, Heaven mobilized 16 countries through the UN to intervene in the Korean War and preserve democracy in the South. The soldiers from these 16 countries who participated were all under the age of 20. They were the purest and most virtuous people in a fallen world. They shed their blood on this land so that the only begotten Daughter, who must fulfill Heaven's dream, could live and fulfill the Heavenly Parent's dream.

From my birth, I communicated with Heaven and knew the urgency of Heaven's situation, which could no longer wait. I waited and declared the Foundation Day of Cheon II Guk, but declaration alone is not enough. It must be shown. The dream of the Creator, our Heavenly Parent, is for the True Parents to live on earth with many children in a heavenly life and, when the True Parents' life on earth ends, to be together forever in the heavenly world.

As we celebrate the 64th anniversary of the Holy Wedding in this 12th year of Cheon Il Guk, I am working to create an environment on this earth to realize the dream of the Heavenly Parent, starting with the most challenging region of Africa, and notably beyond the Christian realm to Islam. A religious leader from Senegal declared, "I have come to save Africa as the only begotten Daughter," and his congregation welcomed the only begotten Daughter. Thus, he became my son. This applies even to the president who, after I explained the providence of Heaven, said, "I am the only begotten Daughter, let's work together." And so, he too became my son.

Likely, everyone will come to the entrance ceremony next year. How could we gather presidents and ministers from the Islamic realm and bless them in the name of the True Parents? We did it. This is religious unity. When the True Parents are at the center, all religions unify. The same goes for nations.

Among the 200 countries, some are prosperous and some are not, but to all these nations, the Creator, who is the original owner of the universe, is our Heavenly Parent. How could just we alone enjoy this immense, heartfluttering gratitude and joy that the palace of Cheon Won Gung has been established, and next year we will hold the entrance ceremony to serve the Heavenly Parent?

I pray that all 8 billion people of the world will rush towards this moment of welcoming the Heavenly Parent on earth and that in the embrace of the Heavenly Parent, all humanity will become one. I bless all the blessed families who bring forward and announce this day with all our devotion and effort. 70 Events Commemorating the 57th Heavenly Parent's Day, the 65th True Parents' Day, and the 64th Anniversary of the Holy Wedding of the True Parents

The 57th Heavenly Parent's Day, the 65th True Parents' Day, and the 64th Anniversary of the Holy Wedding of the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind were celebrated both online and at the HJ Complex. The ceremonies began with the Pledge Service at the Cheon Jeong Gung Chapel on April 24, attended by 800 leaders from Cheon II Guk and blessed families.

he ceremony presided over by Song Gwang-seok, President of FFWPU-Heavenly Korea, included the lighting of the holy candles by the families of Hyo-jin nim and Heung-jin nim, followed by the singing of the Cheon II Guk national anthem, family pledge, report prayer, Cheon II Guk Gyeongbae, three cheers of "Eog Mansei," and a closing declaration.

Following the lighting of the holy candles, Rev. Song Gwang-seok made an opening declaration: "Today's ceremony commemorates the 64th anniversary of the Holy Wedding of the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind. This day celebrates the union of the Only Begotten Daughter, the True Mother, and the Returning Messiah, the True Father, fulfilling the Heavenly Parent's dream of manifesting the True Parents on this earth. Thank you sincerely to everyone who has joined in devotion for this significant event. Let us all continue to advance unceasingly towards the victory of the 2025 entrance ceremony of the Cheon Won Gung Cheon II Sanctum!"

After the entrance of the True Parents, the Cheon II Guk Gyeongbae was conducted in sequence by representatives of the physical and spiritual realms, representatives of missionaries worldwide and representatives of blessed families from both realms. As True Mother took her meal wishes for the eternal health of the Only Begotten Daughter, the True Mother, was earnestly offered, and the words of the True Parents were conveyed through a video presentation titled "The Day of the Union of Heavenly Parent and True Parents," compiling recent speeches by the True Mother.

Kim Dong-woo, the Regional Chair of Heavenly South America, concluded the event together with all participants gave three cheers of "Eog Mansei," resolving to achieve victory for Vision 2025. \mathcal{P}



The 64th Anniversary of the Cosmic Holy Wedding of the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind

The 64th Anniversary of the Cosmic Holy Wedding of the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind was held on April 24, at the Cheongshim Peace World Center. It was attended by Cheon II Guk leaders, domestic and international dignitaries, and blessed families.

roadcast globally via the internet, the event was hosted by Song Yong-cheon, President of FFWPU-International. It featured video screenings, a bouquet presentation, cake cutting, words from the True Parents, congratulatory messages, and a special Hyojeong cultural performance.

On this day, the True Mother gave words of blessing stating, "With the Heavenly Parent's dream and through the True Parents, Cheon Won Gung has been established, and next year we will hold the entrance ceremony where we will attend to the Heavenly Parent," asking that we now advance and herald with overwhelming gratitude and joy that fills our hearts, through all our dedication and effort.

Dr. Song, in his opening declaration, stated, "The greatest blessing for humanity is the manifestation of the True Parents. We exist because of the True Parents. With the First Advent of the only begotten Daughter, the True Mother, the era of the substantial Cheon II Guk has commenced. The fact that the True Mother is with us is the greatest miracle and grace of this era. Let us once again offer fervent thanks and congratulations to our True Parents and the First Advent only begotten Daughter, the True Mother, on this 64th anniversary of the Holy Wedding."

Gi-seong Lee, President of Cheonshim Won, in his report prayer, requested, "At this moment, one year before the entrance to the Cheon Won Gung Cheon II Sanctum, on this 57th Heavenly Parent's Day, the 65th True Parents' Day, and through the 64th Anniversary of the Cosmic Holy Wedding of the True Parents, let this be a good day, a joyful day, a happy day. From now on, we resolve to perfectly fulfill the Heavenly Parent's dream, united with the True Mother, by casting away all evil influences with our complete devotion in Cheonshim Won and special Holy Salt from the Death Valley. Like the ascending Blue Dragon, we will achieve outstanding results, completely succeed in Vision 2025 for a Heavenly Unified Korea and a Heavenly Unified World, and bring glory; Heavenly Parent please be with us."

As the True Mother took the stage, representatives of the blessed families and Hyojeong youth presented bouquets, and on behalf of all attendees, the participating families, providential organizations, and corporate entities, along with leaders from continents around the world, offered ceremonial gifts.



To celebrate the Holy Wedding of the True Parents, representatives from Buddhism, led by Hongpa, a Head Monk in the Korean Buddhist Community, and from Christianity, represented by Archbishop Johannes Ndang-ga, came forward on stage. They praised the Creator Heavenly Parent and testified to the True Mother as the Messiah for humanity, the Mother of Peace, and the only begotten Daughter. Additionally, prophetic figures and dignitaries such as Prophet Samuel Radebe from the Revelations Church of God in South Africa, Bishop Don Mears from the Evangel Cathedral in the USA, Paula White, former religious advisor to U.S. President Trump, former President Goodluck Jonathan of Nigeria, former President Federico Franco of Paraguay, former President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo of the Philippines, former President Maithripala Sirisena of Sri Lanka, Salvador Nasralla, Vice President of Honduras, and Iroshka Elvir, a member of the Honduran Parliament, along with Keith Best, a former Prime Minister of Peru (Minister of Defense), Jung Dong-young, a permanent advisor of the Democratic Party of Korea, Baek Jong-heon, a member of the National Assembly from Busan Geumjeong District, Lee Hak-young, a member of the National Assembly from Busan Geumjeong District, and Baek Kyung-hyun, the mayor of Guri City, also delivered congratulatory speeches.

The special Hyojeong cultural performance "That Day," prepared by HanJu Entertainment, introduced the providential history associated with blessed families to fulfill the wish of the Heavenly Parent and the longing of humanity for the significance of the Holy Wedding and the realization of "One Human Family under Heavenly Parent." The musical was organized into themes such as "Until That Day," "That Day," "I Will Follow Your Will," "Light of Heaven... Light of Earth," and "I Will Be One with You," showcasing the 6,000-year providential history of the True Parents' Holy Marriage and the salvation of humanity for world peace.

The finale of the performance featured Kim Myung-gon and Park Ae-ri, narrators of the musical, who took to the stage to further elevate the fervor of the ceremony. Amidst a desert sandstorm, the words of the only begotten Daughter, the True Mother, pledging to fulfill the Heavenly Parent's wishes during her time on Earth, were reiterated, bringing the ceremony to a powerful close. \mathcal{P}

2024 HyoJeong Cosmic Blessing Ceremony hosted by the True Parents

The 2024 Hyo Jeong Cosmic Blessing Ceremony hosted by the True Parents was held on April 24th, at the Cheongshim Peace World Center and broadcast live with the participation of 2,100 couples from 60 countries around the world, along with Cheon II Guk leaders and blessed families.

he festival, transcending national borders, race, culture, and language to bond couples eternally, was hosted by Kim Shin-han, director of the Special Strategy Department of Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon's 2nd Secretariat, and announcer Choi Ji-sun. The ceremony included pre-ceremony performances by Hanju Entertainment, officiant's entrance, holy water ceremony, wedding vows, exchange of gifts, proclamation of blessing, blessing prayer, offering of bouquets, celebratory performances by Park Ae-ri and Poppin Hyun-joon, three cheers of "Eog Mansei" led by Demian Dunkley, President of Heavenly America, and closing declaration.





Blessing Prayer by True Parents

"May the blessed families, united by the True Parents, endlessly expand across the world like pure water, embodying the original ideal of creation. May their path of blessed true love extend beyond nations, across the five oceans and six continents, praising the Heavenly Parent. Due to the victory of the True Parents on Earth, may they live in Heaven on Earth together with the Heavenly Parent, fulfilling their sacred responsibilities as blessed families, and offering joy and praise to the Heavenly Parent.

Please, Heavenly Parent, joyfully accept this day when 2,100 couples worldwide have received their blessings, fulfilling their roles as blessed families that can unite with You and the True Parents. Be glorified.

Now, may the blessed families, each diligently fulfilling their designated roles and missions within their communities, particularly in this era where they are privileged to live under the direct guidance of the Heavenly Parent, remain eternally esteemed as blessed families in history. May they impart the virtues of filial piety, loyalty, and fidelity to future generations. I solemnly declare this blessing in the name of the True Parents. Aju!"

<Excerpt and summary of the Blessing Prayer from the 2024 Hyo Jeong Cosmic Blessing Ceremony, presided over by the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind>

The blessing ceremony, envisioned to realize the ideal of 'One Human Family under Heavenly Parent,' has been directly presided over by the True Parents since the 36-couple blessing ceremony in 1961. Following the ascension of True Father, True Mother has officiated the ceremonies, which are now broadcast online interactively to 194 countries, enabling international participants to join and celebrate together. 7

Special Luncheon hosted by the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind

The 64th Anniversary Special Luncheon hosted by the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind was grandly conducted on April 24 at the HJ Heaven and Earth CheonBo Training Center, attended by the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind, Cheon II Guk leaders, regional chairs, directors of providential organizations, and heads of institutions and corporations.

he luncheon was hosted by True Mother and Dr. Yang Chang-shik, Chairman of UPF International, and included the entrance of the True Parents, homage, offering of flower bouquets, report prayers, victory toast, the luncheon, Hyojeong cultural performance, and three cheers of "Eog Mansei."

Dr. Yang declared at the opening, "This 64th anniversary celebration of the Holy Wedding is being conducted over a total of 8 days. The number '8' symbolizes a 'new start', building on the 'completion' represented by the number '7'. I hope we can place our hopes and desires for the victorious entrance to the Cheon Won Gung Cheon II Sanctum in the 13th year of Cheon II Guk within the number '8'. In this light, today more than any other day, I hope it becomes a time of resolution, marching forward into the hopeful 12th year of Cheon II Guk, united with the Only Begotten Daughter, the True Mother."

Particularly on this day, in representation of the entire world, a flower basket and ceremonial gifts were offered to the Only Begotten Daughter, the True Mother, who has bestowed great hope and love upon all humanity. These were presented by Kim Su-yeon, Chairperson of the International Missionary Society, Jung Hye-sun, an Ambassador for Peace, and a representative of the ACLC clergy.

Pastor TL Barrett (of a large church in Chicago), who testifies to the True Father as the Returning Messiah and to the True Mother as the Only Begotten Daughter, offered a report prayer wishing for the good health of the True Mother, the True Parents of all humanity.

Moon Yeon-ah, Chief of Staff, Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon's 1st Secretariat, offered a victory toast expressing gratitude and glory to the True Parents and resolving to advance towards the completion of Cheon II Guk. Following this, the Hyojeong cultural performance was conducted by youth and students from

continents around the world, Jung Hye-sun, an ambassador for peace, and the Little Angels. To conclude the event, Michael Balcomb, regional chair of Heavenly Europe, gathered the hearts of all attendees shouting three resounding cheers of "Eog Mansei" filled with fervent passion for True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind. 70



2024 International Leadership Conference (ILC) on Religious Harmony and Peaceful Unification of the Korean Peninsula

The Role of Religion in Mutual Prosperity and Peaceful Unification of the Korean Peninsula

The Universal Peace Federation (UPF) hosted the 2024 International Leadership Conference (ILC) on the theme "Religious Harmony and Korean Peninsula Peaceful Unification" April 22, in the Year 12 of Cheon IL Guk, at the Cheongshim International Youth Training Center in Gapyeong, Gyeonggi Province.

he ILC 2024 was attended by approximately 700 leaders, including Yang Chang-shik, Chairman of UPF International & UPF-Korea, Bishop Edward Barnett, Archbishop Johannes Ndanga of the Apostolic Christian Council of Zimbabwe (ACCZ), General Secretary Sangjin of the Korean Buddhist Taego Order, Moon Yeon-ah, Chairman of the Sunhak Educational Foundation, Song Yong-cheon, President of FFWPU-International, Hwang Sun-jo, Chairman of the Citizens Federation for Unification of Korea, Ek Nath Dhakal, elected parliament member from Nepal Pariwar Dal (Nepal Family Party), along with Korean religious leaders, American Christian clergy. Additionally, approximately 700 leaders from various countries including Asia, Africa, and South America attended the event.

The event was conducted in sequence with an opening declaration, welcome speeches, congratulatory remarks, a peace performance, keynote speeches, and the Song of Unification, moderated by Moon Sang-pil, Director of the UPF Heavenly Unification Policy Research Institute.

Yang Chang-shik, Chairman of UPF International, emphasized in his welcome speech, "Since 2006, Reverend Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon have hosted the 'World Summit' and 'International Leadership Conference (ILC)' as forums where global leaders and opinion leaders pursue the vision of one human family under Heavenly Parent, advocating for interdependence, mutual prosperity, and universally shared values. These gatherings have ensured that national and continental projects will solidify the foundation for achieving a heavenly unified Korea and a new unified world where these principles are realized."

Bishop Edward Barnett, in his congratulatory message, stated, "We have gathered here as spiritual leaders to address crises. Reverend Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Jan Moon showed us true love and provided a path to success. We will continue to spread the message of peace."

> INTERNATIONAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE 2024

Re-Ignite 2025! Towards a Heavenly Unified Korea



General Secretary Sangjin of the Korean Buddhist Taego Order remarked, "Reverend Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Jan Moon devoted their lives to digging deep into peace and unification. Although this path is long and difficult, we, the religious leaders, will walk it together and illuminate the future of the Korean Peninsula."

Song Yong-cheon, President of FFWPU- International, stated, "I ask for your experiences, insights, and profound advice to help pave the way for a better, peaceful future and the unification of the Korean Peninsula. May this conference serve as a beacon and salt, offering a vision towards a peaceful world that all humanity desires."

The theme of ILC 2024, "Religious Harmony and Korean Peninsula Peaceful Unification," aims to share the vision of a unified Korea globally and gather the will and capabilities of world leaders through international discussions and cooperation, offering a pathway of religious harmony and national integration for peace and unification of the Korean Peninsula.

Archbishop Johannes Ndanga, in his keynote address, highlighted, "Although religions may worship God under different names and practices, the central being of all religions is one God, whose purpose is always the salvation of the whole world. We must acknowledge that religious harmony is essential for world peace and work together to build a sustainable world of peace for all humanity."

Hwang Sun-jo, Chairman of the Citizens Federation for Unification of Korea, added in his keynote speech, "Sustainable world peace is possible if we rely on the Creator, God, rather than human power. Our specific strategies should include adopting God-centered values, sustainable peaceful coexistence with nature, partnerships between humans and machines in the era of artificial intelligence, building a Heavenly Unified Korea through North-South unification, and creating a global governance system for a peaceful and happy human community."

The International Leadership Conference (ILC), is held annually, as part of Reverend Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Jan Moon's peace and unification movement, providing a platform for global leaders and experts to discuss unification of the Korean Peninsula and world peace. Over the years, the presence of numerous world-class leaders like Donald Trump, the 45th President of the United States, Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen, and the 8th UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon demonstrating the potential of the peace and unification movement. ϕ



UNTERNATIONAL LEADERSTEIP CONFERENCE 2024 Religious Harmony and Peaceful Unification of Korean Peninsula



Re-Ignite 2025! Towards a Heavenly Unified Korea

The conference "Re-Ignite 2025! Towards a Heavenly Unified Korea" was held on April 22nd in the 12th year of Cheon IL Guk at the Hyojeong Cultural Center.



imed at fostering peace and the unification of the Korean Peninsula, this event was co-hosted by the Interreligious Association for Peace and Development (IAPD), the Korean Religious Association, the Korean Clergy Leadership Conference (KCLC), and the American Clergy Leadership Conference (ACLC). The conference brought together around 100 clergies from the World Christian Leadership Conference (WCLC) and ACLC in the US and Asia, along with 50 representatives from over ten religious denominations in Korea including Confucianism, Buddhism, Christianity, Catholicism, the Family Federation, Korean Islam,

Cheondoism, Daejongism, and Cheon II Gyo.

Vice Chairman Hong Yun-Jong of the Korean Religious Association conducted the event, which featured an opening prayer by Pastor Yang Jong-eun, welcoming remarks, keynote speeches, congratulatory messages, a peace song, presentations, a peace prayer, a Pure Water Joining Ceremony, and the Three Cheers of Eog Mansei.

Hyun Young Lee, Chairman of the Korea Council of Religious Associations, said in his keynote speech, "Our aim during the Korean War was to establish a peaceful and hopeful nation for future generations. Goals create miracles. KCLC and ACLC have joined hands to re-ignite and replant



the goals of unification in Korea. We have gathered here to pray for Korea's unification. Let's reignite and advance toward a heavenly unified Korea by 2025!"

Song Gwang-seok, President of FFWPU-Korea, in his congratulatory speech, noted, "The 33 leaders who penned the Korean Declaration of Independence during the March 1st Movement in 1919 were all clergy and religious leaders. In these challenging times, let us spread the fire of God's true love, the fire of the Holy Spirit, around this nation and the world, centered on the True Parents, Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, to widely promote the flame of unification."

Song Yong-cheon, President of FFWPU-International, expressed in his welcoming speech, "The seeds of 'interfaith harmony and mutual prosperity' have borne concrete fruit as KCLC in Korea, ACLC in the USA, and globally as IAPD. Let's dismantle the walls of religion, denomination, and sect through honest dialogue and spread peace worldwide!"

Kim Ki-hoon, President of WCLC, remarked in his speech, "Founder Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon have since 1971 dedicated their lives to establishing a nation centered on God in the USA, a Christian nation. Now, Only Begotten Daughter Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon is awakening the new Christian mission as the protagonist in the providence of a Heavenly Unified Korea and a Heavenly Unified world, declaring the essence of Christianity. At this juncture of recommitting to a leap forward for a Heavenly Unified Korea, I believe our vision will become clear and achievable as we all unite with the founder's vision."

The event also featured a Pure Water Joining Ceremony, uniting representatives from the Family Federation, Confucianism, Buddhism, Christianity, Catholicism, Korean Islam, Cheondoism, Daejongism, and Cheon II Gyo, symbolizing the collective intention for peace and unification beyond denominational and doctrinal differences. The program concluded with Abraham Dixon's rendition of "Amazing Grace," a choir performance of "Our Fervent Hopes are for Unity" by the attendees, and the Three Cheers of Eog Mansei led by Won-Youngjin, Director of Daejongism, marking the successful completion of the event. To

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IAPD Interreligious Prayer Rally

The Korea Religions Association hosted the IAPD Interreligious Prayer Rally for a Heavenly Unified Korea on April 26 at Imjingak in Gyeonggi-do, Paju. This location, positioned along the sole division line where North and South Korea meet, served as a poignant backdrop for the event.

he rally featured prominent figures including Lee Hyun-young, President of the Korea Religions Association; Co-Chairman Reverend John Jackson from the American Clergy Leadership Conference (ACLC); Archbishop Johannes Ndanga, President of the Apostolic Christian Union of Zimbabwe; Venerable Jinwon, head monk of the Chilbong Temple of the Korean Buddhism Taego Order; Yang Chang-shik, Chairman of UPF International; Song Gwang-seok, President of FFWPU-Korea; and Hwang Sun-jo, Chairman of the National Unification Movement of Korea. They were joined by 300

members from the Interreligious Association for Peace and Development (IAPD).

The event began with an opening declaration by Vice President Hong Yun-jong of the Korea Religions Association and featured a North-South unification prayer by Venerable Jinwon. Commitment statements for a Heavenly Unified Korea were made by Chairman Lee Hyun-young, Reverend John Jackson, and Archbishop Johannes Ndanga. The rally also included welcome speeches by Chairman Yang Chang-shik and President Song Gwang-seok, a congratulatory speech by Chairman Hwang Sun-jo, and a





choral performance of the song: "Arirang". Participants engaged in joint prayer, launched paper airplanes of peace, rang a peace bell, and marched for peace, with a heart for fostering unification.

Chairman Lee Hyun-young stressed the importance of religious leaders' roles in advocating for hope and unification, even amidst adversity. Chairman of UPF International Dr. Yang Chang- shik discussed the visionary Korea-Japan undersea tunnel project initiated in 1981 by Rev. Sun Myung Moon, emphasizing its potential to foster peace and connectivity in Northeast Asia and beyond.

President Song Gwang-seok underscored the significance of the day's prayers and commitment, laying the groundwork for the unification of North and South Korea under divine guidance. Chairman Hwang Sun-jo highlighted the ongoing geopolitical tensions and the urgent need for a movement toward a prosperous and unified Korea inspired by the founder's vision.

Reverend John Jackson, Co-Chairman of the ACLC, representing American clergy, emphasized that many clergy members have fervently prayed from the United States across Freedom Bridge to the Korean Peninsula, seeking the peaceful unification of the region. He affirmed that these prayers will continue relentlessly until a Heavenly Unified Korea is realized, with a deep hope that their aspirations will come to fruition.

Archbishop Johannes Ndanga reflected on Jesus Christ instructed His followers to spread His teachings worldwide, a task meant for all religious traditions. Then he acknowledged the efforts of the late Reverend Sun Myung Moon and his wife, Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, in actively advancing this divine mission. Archbishop Ndanga expressed his hope for all religious groups to collaborate, inspired by the leadership of Dr. Moon, to further disseminate God's will around the world.

The IAPD Interreligious Prayer Rally took place as a continuation of the momentum from the Re-Ignite Conference, held on April 22 in Gapyeong, Gyeonggi-do. At the conference, religious leaders came together to share their aspirations for a unified Korea and a peaceful world. This event aimed to rekindle the Holy Spirit, setting the stage for the subsequent Imjingak prayer rally. Serving as a spiritual ceremony, the rally carried this renewed spirit northward and symbolized a unified interreligious commitment to peace across the Korean Peninsula. *7*

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2024 Korean Peninsula Peace Forum: A Path Toward a Heavenly Unified Korea

The "2024 Korean Peninsula Peace Forum for a Heavenly Unified Korea," organized by The Segye Ilbo and supported by the Ministry of Unification, convened on April 22nd at the Bank Hall International Conference Hall.

round 200 attendees participated in the event, which included influential figures such as Jung Heetaek, President of Segye Ilbo Newspaper; Kim Young-ho, Minister of Unification; Nam Seong-wook, Professor at Korea University; Kim Hyun-wook, Professor at the Korea National Diplomatic Academy; Cha Doo-hyun, Senior Fellow at the Asan Institute for Policy Studies; and Park Young-jun, Director of the National

Defense University's Security Issues Research Institute. The day's schedule was packed with an opening declaration, national anthem, video screening, welcoming remarks, congratulatory speeches, presentations, a general discussion, and a closing declaration.

In his welcoming remarks, President Jung Hee-taek touched on the recent changes in inter-Korean relations, highlighting the reclassification of South Korea by North Korea from a 'fellow



countryman' to a 'hostile nation,' signaling a significant shift from the traditional unified national concept. This change coincides with growing concerns about increased instability on the Korean Peninsula, particularly with the impending U.S. presidential election.

He reflected on the historical efforts by Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon to promote interdependence, mutual prosperity, and universally shared values, striving for the achievement of peace, unification, and a Heavenly Unified Korea. Today, True Mother is striving to establish a Korean Peninsula where both North and South Korea pursue righteous values together, fostering a peace economy and create a system that enables coexistence on the Peninsula.

Minister Kim Young-ho addressed the global challenges facing the liberal international political order, with North Korea being the primary threat. He affirmed that Korea and the international community are poised to counter North Korea's ambitions to become a nuclear power with a firm and united response. The government intends to introduce a new discourse on unification that embodies freedom and human rights to gain international support.



Professor Nam Seong-wook critiqued the "National Community Unification Formula" from 1994, declaring it outdated due to the severe reality of North Korea's nuclear threats. He advocated for a fresh, bold unification strategy, suggesting that this should be included in President Yoon Suk-yeol's roadmap for North Korean denuclearization.

Professor Kim Hyun-wook speculated about possible shifts in U.S. policy under Trump's administration if re-elected, forecasting tougher trade policies and strategies towards China and anticipating new challenges for the Korea-U.S. alliance.

Senior Researcher Cha Du-hyeon stressed the need for substantial measures beyond the Washington Declaration to effectively address the North Korean nuclear threat.

The forum also featured a vibrant general discussion moderated by Park Young-jun, where Kim Yeol-soo discussed potential U.S. policy changes under Trump concerning Ukraine and potential negotiations with Russian President Vladimir Putin. Cheong Seong-Chang talked about the limitations of extended deterrence, tactical nuclear redeployment, and NATO-style nuclear sharing.

The event concluded with an in-depth discussion and Q&A session aimed at developing consensus and strategies for realizing a Heavenly Unified Korea amidst the 2024 U.S. Presidential Election and the complex geopolitical dynamics of the Korean Peninsula. \checkmark

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2024 Hyojeong CheonBo Great Works Celebrating the 64th Anniversary of True Parents' Holy Wedding

The "2024 Hyojeong CheonBo Great Works Celebrating the 64th Anniversary of the True Parents' Holy Wedding" took place from April 19-21 at the HJ Heaven and Earth CheonBo Training Center, with about 90,000 members from 91 countries in attendance.

he first day (April 19) featured a variety of heartfelt cultural activities, including the Hyojeong CheonWon pilgrimage, Hyojeong chanyang sessions, a caricature event, and a performance by the 'Reborn' band from Sun Moon University. The day concluded with the Cheonshim Won Special Vigil Condition.

On the second day (April 20),

approximately 8,000 members gathered on-site for the opening ceremony and more Hyojeong chanyang sessions, followed by Love Tree busking at the Grand Hall and another session of the Cheonshim Won Special Vigil Condition.

In his opening remarks, Gi-seong Lee, President of Cheonshim Won, delivered a message titled "Let's put on the full armor of the substantial Holy Spirit united with the Only Begotten Daughter True Mother." He highlighted the importance of adhering to True Mother's teachings on walking in spirit and truth, revitalizing youth, and manifesting Heaven's power, as evidenced by many member testimonials. He emphasized that in the 12th year of Cheon II Guk, uniting fully with True Mother and clearing out all negative energies would ensure even





the active cooperation of True Father in the spiritual world.

The final day saw the main event, the 'Hyojeong Offering Ceremony,' held both online and offline with global participation. Centered around Gi-seong Lee and his spouse, the ceremony included an offering and the Cheonshim United Prayer in Unison, committing participants to the path of true children of our Heavenly Parent and True Parents.

Additionally, the Hyojeong CheonBo Great Works period at the HJ Heaven and Earth CheonBo Training Center featured a World Food Culture Festival and caricature events to create a family reunion atmosphere on April 19-20. The Love Tree busking session and performances by pastors and 2nd generation youth members, including songs from Moon Shin Whul from Moon Heung-Jin nim and Julia Moon's family. The 'Reborn' band from Sun Moon University also performed songs by Hyo-jin nim, reflecting on his filial dedication to the True Parents' mission.



1000th CheonShim Won Vigil Condition Special Prayer

The 1000th CheonShim Won Vigil Condition Special Prayer took place on March 22nd, at the HJ Heaven and Earth CheonBo Training Center, drawing around 7,000 attendees. Initiated on September 1, 2019, this vigil embodies the belief that unification of the Korean peninsula is essential for ushering in a heavenly unified world era, amidst persistent worldwide security challenges.

uring a live stream of the event, Moon Yeon-ah, the Chief of Staff for Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon's 1st Secretariat, extended her heartfelt thanks to True Mother for her unwavering encouragement and support, which has been instrumental in reaching this milestone of the 1000th vigil. She voiced her hope that, with the blessings of True Father in Heaven and True Mother on Earth everyone could unite with one heart and purpose to move forward together.

Jeong Won-ju, Chief of Staff for Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon's 2nd Secretariat, followed with remarks, noting that True Mother expressed pride in all those who contributed to the success of these 1000 days of devotion. Highlighting that True Mother is making efforts in advancing the HJ CheonWon Providence to demonstrate to the world how the citizens of Cheon II Guk live under the guidance of the Heavenly Parent. Again, she noted the privilege and significance of holding the vigil at CheonShim Won, the core of the HJ CheonWon complex as envisioned by True Parents, and hoped for even greater cooperation from the True Father in Heaven as we strengthen our collective devotion.

Song Yong-cheon, President of FFWPU-International, commented on how the IHQ of Jeongseong, the CheonShim Won, has become a beacon of spiritual rejuvenation and miraculous happenings. Then he extended his gratitude to True Parents, Hyo-jin nim, Heung-jin nim, and Dae-mo nim, for their direct involvement and guidance in the CheonShim Won Special Vigil. In his concluding remarks, he expressed his desire for the 1000th vigil to catalyze miraculous resurrections across the globe.

Gi-seong Lee, President of the HJ Heaven and Earth CheonBo Training Center, and president of CheonShim Won, relayed True Mother's message that the CheonShim Won prayer meetings provide a unique opportunity for all





blessed families and members worldwide to unite in prayer, deeply connect with True Mother's heart, and feel the presence and action of the Heavenly Parent and True Father. President Lee, called for unity in driving away negative influences and achieving groundbreaking miracles in 2024 by aligning with True Mother's vision and purpose.

Song Gwang-seok, President of FFWPU-Korea, acknowledged the transformative impact of CheonShim Won's grace on churches in Heavenly Korea, leading to the revival of members' spirits and the return of those who had drifted away. Then he also noted the increasing challenges among churches to triple their worship attendance, all made possible by True Mother's love, attention, and the community's support. As the entrance ceremony to the Cheon II Sanctum of Cheon Won Gung approaches in a year, he underscored the responsibility of the providential nation of Korea to fulfill its role and mission

Kim Ki-hoon, Cheon Eui Won Chair of Heavenly America, celebrated the achievement of the 471st meeting at CheonShim Won in Heavenly America, a milestone made possible through True Parents' blessings and connection to Korea. Dr. Kim also recognized this as a significant moment for the nation, the world, and Cheon II Guk, expressing gratitude for True Mother's leadership and the dedication of blessed families and members worldwide.

The memorable 1000th CheonShim Won Vigil concluded triumphantly with the Three Cheers of Eog Mansei, led by Bang Sang-il, the Secretary-General. \mathcal{D}

25th Heavenly Parent's Holy Community Hyojeongnuri Holy Wedding Festival

The 25th Heavenly Parent's Holy Community Hyojeongnuri Holy Wedding Festival was successfully held on April 21 at the Cheon Won Gung Cheon Seung Church Main Hall, attended by about 300 members from three generations of blessed families and participated nationwide through two-way online streaming.

he festival was conducted as an open service for the future generation of children, in celebration of the "64th Anniversary of the Heavenly True Parents' Holy Wedding."

The event proceeded in the following order: a welcome performance titled "Sing Together," hosted by Hyojeong (Han Yoo-kyung) and Nuri (Kim Ga-eun), followed by "Welcome Greetings," "Sing Together," "Hyojeong Speech," "Sing Together," "Hoon Dok Reading," "Hyojeong Story Courtyard," "Holy Wedding Special Class," "I am the Main Character of Hyojeongnuri," "Congratulations" (birthday celebration), and "See You Again" (closing).

During the "Hyojeong Speech," Kim Seong-han, a child

from Kwangjin Church Hyojeong, introduced his family and said, "Because I was born with the lineage of three countries over three generations, I was born with the mission to unify Korea and Japan, the countries of my parents, and the continents of Asia and Europe, the lands of my grandparents, and further to unify the world. Like the meaning of my name, Seong Sung Han Na Ra Han, I will become a proud filial son who creates one nation under Heavenly Parent through prayer and dedication."

Kwon Jeong-hee, a child from Cheon Won Church Hyojeong, during the "Hoon Dok Reading," read Volume 4 of True Mother's Life Cartoon themed around 'Holy Wedding,' introducing True Mother's life journey. She emphasized how





True Mother has loved the Heavenly Parent from a young age, obeyed the Heavenly Parent, and decided to marry True Father to fulfill the Heavenly Parent's dream.

The "Hyojeong Story Courtyard" presented a play about the life of True Mother, the only begotten Daughter of the First Advent, showcasing her providential life lived according to the will of Heavenly Parent through the play "The Holy Wedding Story of Wang Omma and Wang Appa."

A special "Holy Wedding Special Class" was conducted where Jo Nam-jin Hyojeong and Kim Tae-eun Hyojeong,

representing all Hyojeong children, held a pledge ceremony.

During "I am the Main Character of Hyojeongnuri," stories about everyday changes by attending weekly services with dad, told by the children of Guri Church Hyojeong, were shared.

In the "Congratulations" segment, Hyojeong children and families celebrating birthdays took the stage to receive celebrations from all attendees, adding fun to the event.

The entire event concluded with a chorus dedicated to Wang Omma and Wang Appa, performed by all participants. \mathcal{P}

Academic Seminar to Support Multicultural Family Policies

A seminar aimed at supporting multicultural policies to promote marriage and childbirth took place on April 19th at the Korea Press Center, themed "Exploring Multicultural Policy Solutions to Overcome Low Birth Rates."

> he event was attended by notable figures including Son Byung-ho, President of the Korean Multicultural Peace Federation; Song Kwang-seok, President of FFWPU- Korea; Professor Kim Man-ho; Nam Bu-hyun, a professor at Sun Moon University; Oh Jung-ah, a researcher at the Sejong Social Policy Research Institute; and Jeong Myung-hee, a professor at Chungwon University.

President Son Byung-ho, in his keynote address, discussed "Exploring Practical Alternatives through Multicultural Families to the Low Birth Rate Cliff." President Son focused on enhancing the social perception of multicultural families, providing tailored educational support, strengthening policy measures, and fostering an environment supportive of pregnancy, childbirth, and employment.

Dr. Oh Jung-ah from the Sejong Social Policy Research Institute gave a presentation on the "Direction of Low Birth Rate Elderly Society Services and Multicultural Family Policy." It explored the societal challenges posed by low birth rates and an aging population, stressing the need for a policy shift to see multicultural families as integral members of society rather than just beneficiaries.

Furthermore, Professor Jeong Myung-hee from Chungwon University introduced an exploratory study titled "Child-Rearing Conditions and Family Cohesion Strengthening in Korean Multicultural Families." It advocated for the need to boost family communication, establish clear family rules, encourage social activity participation among family members, and develop strategies to resolve conflicts.

The seminar concluded with a panel discussion featuring Professor Nam Bu-hyun from Sun Moon University and Professor Kim Man-ho a legislative policy researcher. ϕ

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2024 Korea-Japan Peace Road Forum

The 2024 Korea-Japan Peace Road Forum, hosted by the World Peace Road Foundation and the International Highway Foundation, and sponsored by The Washington Times Foundation and The Segye Times, was held on April 23 at the National Press Club in the Korea Press Center.



he forum focused on the construction plans for the Korea-Japan undersea tunnel as a conduit for cooperation and technology between the two nations.

This forum also included the inauguration of the 8th chairman, Yang Chang-sik, and was attended by approximately 150 participants, including Lee Yong-sup, former Minister of Land, Infrastructure and Transport; Ra Jong-yuk, Sub-committee Chairman of the National Unification Advisory Council; Jeong Tae-ik, Advisor to the Korea Association of Foreign Affairs; Lee Seong-chul, former Deputy Commander of the Korea-U.S. Combined Forces Command; Kim Ho-seong, former President of Seoul National University of Education; Jeong Seung, former President of the Rural

Development Administration; Kim Jae-beom, former Ambassador to Uruguay; Choi Seong-gyu, former Director of the Railway Research Institute; Ki Yeon-soo, Emeritus Professor of Hankuk University of Foreign Studies; Moon Han-sik, Attorney; Shin Jang-chul, Professor at Soongsil University; and Kim Man-ho, Professor at Sun Moon University.

The forum, themed "Korea-Japan Cooperation and Technology: The Korea-Japan Undersea Tunnel Construction Plan," featured opening remarks by Jeong Tae-ik, chairman of the Peace Road Forum and former ambassador to Russia: a welcome address by Yang Chang-sik, chairman of the World Peace Road Foundation; a congratulatory message by Ra Jong-il, Chair Professor at Dongguk University and former ambassador to Japan; a lecture by Takeuchi Yujo, chairman of the Korea-Japan Tunnel Technology Committee of the International Highway Foundation and an engineer with a doctorate, who is an expert on the Seikan Tunnel in Japan and the first Asian to win a paper award from the American Society of Civil Engineers for his paper on the Seikan Tunnel.

Chairman Yang Chang-sik stated, "The Korea-Japan undersea tunnel, initiated in 1981 by Sun Myung Moon, is envisioned to bridge Korea and Japan. This International Peace Highway project, beginning with the vision of 'One Human Family Under One God,' aims to create a grand revolution in peace for humanity, extending from Northeast Asia to Europe, and will foster a new era of co-prosperity, co-ownership, and justice."

Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon, and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, the founders of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification, publicly launched the undersea tunnel project as part of the International Peace Highway initiative during the International Conference on the Unity of the Sciences in Seoul, November 1981. Following this, the Korea-Japan Tunnel Research Association in Japan and the Korea-Japan Undersea Tunnel Research Association in Korea were established, and related surveys and construction have been progressing.

Currently, Yang Chang-shik, Chairman of UPF International, which holds General Consultative Status with the UN Economic and Social Council, plans to globalize the Peace Road project's issues by integrating UPF's extensive global network into the foundation's efforts. 7/2

Victory Celebration and Cheon Il Guk Leaders' Assembly

Victory Celebration and Cheon II Guk Leaders' Special Assembly for the 64th Anniversary of the Holy Wedding of the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind.

he Victory Celebration and Special Assembly of Cheon II Guk Leaders, commemorating the 64th Anniversary of the Holy Marriage of the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind, was held on April 25th. The event took place at the HJ Heaven and Earth CheonBo Training Center, attended by global leaders and blessed families.

The event was conducted by Song Gwang-seok, President of FFWPU-Korea, and included the opening declaration, a report prayer, video screening, special report, bouquet presentation, cake cutting, words from the True Parents, organizing committee inauguration, Hyojeong cultural performance, three cheers of Eog Mansei, and the closing declaration.

True Mother emphasized in her speech that though it is late, Christianity must be restored to enable the 8 billion people of the world to live recognizing the Heavenly Parent as their parent. She urged attendees to do their utmost to expand the environment where the Heavenly Parent is served on earth while True Parents are present.

Song Yong-cheon, President of FFWPU- International, in his special report, discussed the providential significance of the entry into Cheon Won Gung, stating, "As we approach the ceremony for the entry into the Cheon II Sanctum of Cheon Won Gung, to be held on the 65th Anniversary of the Holy Marriage in the 13th year of Cheon II Guk, let's unite the hearts of all Cheon II Guk leaders and blessed family members worldwide and advance toward victory."

The inauguration ceremony for the organizing committee for the 2025 Vision of victory for the entry into the Cheon II Sanctum of Cheon Won Gung also took place. Leaders of the organizing committee resolved to achieve victory in the entry ceremony, set for one year hence, in front of True Parents. The attendees then collectively declared their resolution for grand victory at the entry ceremony, reading a statement of intent imbued with the heart of Hyojeong.

The finale featured a Hyojeong cultural performance with appearances by Cheonshim Global Azalea, trot singer Cha Hyo-rin, and musical actor Lim Cheol-ho, which enriched the stage. Finally, the leaders of the Family Federation, including True Parents, led by Masayoshi Hori, the Chairman of the Heavenly Asia Pacific, robustly shouted the three cheers of Eog Mansei, recommitting to the victory of Vision 2025.

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The Grand Opening of the Gapyeong Begonia Bird Garden and Overseeing the Launch Ceremony of the Gapyeong Cruise

Photos depicting True Mother presiding over the grand opening of the Gapyeong Begonia Bird

Garden and overseeing the launch ceremony of the Gapyeong Cruise on April 11th.



















Let's Leave Behind an Epic Story of Great Victories

Special Briefing by Song Yong-cheon, President of FFWPU- International

ear blessed members throughout the world,

I send my warmest greetings for the new month. In Korea we call May the "family month" because it includes the Korean national holidays of Parents' Day and Children's Day. I sincerely hope that you are filled with the grace and love of our Heavenly Parent and the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind.



As the "queen of the seasons," the month of May (which many parts of the world celebrate as Family Month) is an opportune time to deeply reflect on the Heavenly Parent's dream, God's ideal of living in joy with the children on earth.

On April 11th, under True Mother's guidance, we held the Launch Ceremony for the 'Gapyeong Cruise'. This was profoundly significant, echoing back to June 1963 when True Parents built and launched the Cheon Seung boat in Incheon, Korea, with the meaning that Heaven will be victorious and Heavenly Parent's Will realized.

Sixty years later, in 2023, True Mother victoriously dedicated the Cheon Won Gung and Cheon II Sanctum, enabling our Heavenly Parent to come and govern freely.

With this amazing foundation, and at this point looking ahead to the triumphant Entrance of Cheon Won Gung next year, the 'Gapyeong Cruise' was launched on Cheonshim Lake in HJ Cheonwon. This reminds us that the Heavenly Parent's beginning and ending points are the same, and brought us to realize that Heavenly Parent and True Parents will certainly bring victory.

The Launch Ceremony was held in this meaningful context. During the celebratory dinner that day, Mother asked me to sing a congratulatory song. While I was singing, Moon Jeong-ah, from the 4th Generation of the True Family [Hyo-jin nim's grand-daughter], suddenly began to dance. She looked so cute, True Mother looked at Jeong-ah with a brighter smile than I have ever seen before and danced together with her. As we watched Jeong-ah dancing and saw how happy True Mother was to see this, everyone there was smiling with happiness. I came to think that the sight of three or four generations living

together in love with Heavenly Parent must be the image of heaven on earth which Heavenly Parent has been dreaming of.

Heavenly Parent sent the only begotten Daughter, our True Mother, to this earth after 6,000 years, and through meeting True Father, the returning Messiah, together they emerged as the True Parents.

Subsequently, through the Blessing that True Parents have given, a 2nd, 3rd and 4th generation of Heavenly Parent's children are spreading throughout the world.

The dedication of Cheon Won Gung and the Cheon II Sanctum marks the dawn of an ideal era when Heavenly Parent can embrace and love the children freely on earth—what a tremendous blessing and miracle this is!

This leads us to reflect on how under Heavenly Parent's protection, we who have been blessed become sons and daughters, brothers and sisters, husbands and wives, parents and grandparents in our families. When we think about it, each family member whom we see each day and interact with, is precious. Indeed, their presence enriches and adds value to our existence and life, doesn't it? Our family members—how precious each and every one of them is! Because of them, how infinitely more dignified and happy my existence and life have become!

In this family month of May, I would like to make a suggestion. As we celebrate this special time, it would be meaningful to visit holy sites in your country with your family. During such visits, you can offer prayers and share love and gratitude in the embrace of our Heavenly Parent.

Coincidentally, the third 40-day special devotion period began on April 28th. This period of devotions will lead us up to the significant occasion of the 62nd Day of All True Things and the 70th anniversary of the founding of our church. True Parents established the Day of All True Things 61 years ago after launching and dedicating the 'Cheon Seung Boat'. At such, spending time in prayer at these holy sites and sharing warm affection with your family members will be truly enriching.

Lastly, let us reflect deeply on the cosmic value and significance of our True Parents and of the only begotten Daughter, our True Mother, who is presiding over the providence on earth in this era. True Parents have brought our families—as the children of Heavenly Parent and the owners of Cheon II Guk—to live in the age of the settlement of Cheon II Guk. According to True Father's words, all people are brought to life on this earth 99.99% through their mother's bones, flesh, and blood. That's how precious a mother's role and value is.

Dear blessed family members whom I love and respect!

We are living through the most dynamic moments in the history of God's providence. This year, the year of the Blue Dragon, when the blue dragon soars with the sacred orb in its teeth, may we all become one with True Mother and achieve a grand victory for Vision 2025. The greatest miracle of our time is that we are together with the only begotten Daughter, our True Mother. Let us not miss this marvelous miracle, this grace-filled moment, but instead, let us create epic stories of great victory.

I am always grateful and appreciative to all of you. During this family month of May, I pray that your homes will always be filled with Heavenly Parent and True Parents' love and grace. Thank you. $\not P$

Hanju Group: Inauguration Ceremony of the "Gapyeong Cruise" Millennium Waterway

he inaugural ceremony for the "Gapyeong Cruise" millennium waterway took place in the presence of the Gapyeong County Governor, local council members, and representatives from tourism companies.

Before the ceremony, attendees visited the newly opened "Gapyeong Begonia New Garden." They admired the garden, which was full of colorful begonias and a dedicated bird zone, and expressed hopes that it would become a well-known tourist attraction in Gapyeong.

The group then moved to Gapyeong Marina for the official launch ceremony of the "Gapyeong Cruise" millennium waterway. VIPs celebrated the launch of the "Gapyeong Cruise," marking the culmination of a long preparation period with a ribbon-cutting ceremony. The "Gapyeong Cruise" is Korea's first 436-ton eco-friendly electric cruise ship, capable of carrying up to 250 passengers.

Together, they counted down and cheered for the launch; the cruise ship then smoothly departed from Gapyeong Marina and began cruising along the Bukhan River.

Yu Gwang-hyun, Chairman of Hanju Group, delivered a welcoming speech, promising that it would become a new axis for Gapyeong tourism.

Seo Tae-won, Mayor of Gapyeong, and Choi Jeong-yong, Chairman of the Gapyeong County Council, gave congratulatory speeches. They expressed hopes of ushering in an era of extensive tourism in Gapyeong.

The Bukhan River millennium waterway project is a tourism revitalization project in Gapyeong, restoring ancient waterways and connecting major tourist spots such as Gapyeong Marina, Nami Island, and Jara Island via water routes. Started in July 2020, the project culminated in the launch of the Gapyeong Cruise in April 2024.

Additionally, the opening ceremony of Metanaru on Nami Island was held, marking the start of the first stage of navigation on the Bukhan River millennium waterway.

In the future, new attractions such as Jara Flower Island and Mulumi Lotus Village will be developed, paving the way for new water tourism in Gapyeong. 7





Grand Opening of the Gapyeong Begonia Bird Park



he official opening of the "Gapyeong Begonia" bird garden and the inaugural departure of the "Gapyeong Cruise" boat took place on a beautiful sunny day, adorned with stunning flowers. Accompanied by members of the True Family and leaders of the HJ Cheonwon complex, True Mother first visited the "Gapyeong Begonia" bird garden. This park hosts flowers, birds, and animals that express the heart of the Heavenly Parent through their natural beauty and includes both indoor and outdoor spaces.

The visit began with an encounter with alpacas and Boer goats. True Mother was delighted to feed the animals, accompanied by her great-grandchildren. She then moved to the main building, which houses the flower and bird zones. She was warmly welcomed by the staff and enjoyed a show featuring parrots, birds of prey, and a clever border collie, highlighting the interaction between animals and humans.

Upon entering the flower zone, the ceiling, filled with hanging flowers and colorful begonias, captured everyone's attention. In the bird zone, containing about 40 different bird species, visitors had time to interact with the birds in this harmonious space integrated with nature. \mathcal{P}

Blue Dragon Flames Reignite America

he Blue Dragon flame revived the spirits of the young and the old across America! The momentum first caught fire on the East coast on March 8, in Washington, D.C.

Rev. Demian Dunkley, Regional President of the American Movement, shared True Mother's hope for America in presentations called "The Year of the Blue Dragon Focus" and "The Truth of the Providence." Rev. Dunkley said, "Mother mentioned the year of the Blue Dragon, the year that we will blow away all of the negative spirits of the past. And that's really the theme of the whole year. We've got hundreds of youth preparing to go to Korea just to be with True Mother. I want to limit the amount of time it takes, and limit the gap that might exist between any one of us and God's only Begotten Daughter."

The Blue Dragon flame then spread West to Los Angeles on March 15 and on to San Francisco on March 22. The blue flames then moved southward to Dallas on March 29 and Chicago on April 5. Hundreds of blessed family members, clergy, and newly joined members gathered to have their hearts cleansed and reborn through intense evening prayer vigils at the local Cheon Shim Wons.

Another spiritually cleansing aspect of the Blue Dragon Tour was the powerful Cheonbo Great Works Liberation led by Dr. Ki Hoon Kim, Cheon Eui Won Chair for North America, and the bequeathing of the special Cheon Shim Won purple jackets and the special Death Valley Holy Salt, which was blessed by True Mother. At each location, Rev. Dunkley shared True Mother's sentiment about America being God's shortcut for the providence and how Heavenly Parent told him to tell America that He loves them and that they are called for a great purpose, which is to tell Christianity about the Only Begotten Daughter. Two Christian pastor couples, Bishop Keith and Paulette Allen and Rev. Mike and Gina Nettles, were so inspired that they committed to attend the Cosmic Blessing in Korea with True Mother on April 24, 2024.

BLUE DRAGON TOUR



Many 1st- and 2nd-generation Unificationists became more aware of painful areas in their hearts and challenging feelings towards True Mother, however, through the lectures and the evening prayer vigils, they rediscovered True Mother as the Only Begotten Daughter. 2nd-generation Unificationist Robert Abendroth, Assistant Pastor of the Capital Family Church in Washington D.C., shared, "I feel like leaders are gonna start leading less and the spirit is going to start leading more. That's what I felt during this and that's why I saw these young adults standing up."

In the Bay Area, young adults held a loud and highly competitive yut tournament to win prize money that would help the winners pay for the Blue Dragon Pilgrimage in Korea.

The Blue Dragon Tour to Korea is a 10-day spiritual adventure where hundreds of Americans spend time at Cheongpyeong, visit historical church sites in Korea, and support newly blessed couples at the Cosmic Blessing Ceremony. The next issue of True Peace magazine will cover the momentum of the pilgrimage held April 17-24 and the Blue Dragon Tour stops in America held after the pilgrimage in Indiana, Las Vegas, and Atlanta.

Youth and young adults in America continue to hold evening and morning prayer vigils at their local Cheon Shim Won prayer halls to unite deeply in heart with True Mother. \mathcal{P}



Celebrates 50 Years of FFWPU in Bergamo

he Family Federation for World Peace and Unification in Bergamo, Italy, celebrated its 50th anniversary with a special ceremony led by Reverend Elio D'Alberti. The event welcomed both in-person and virtual guests, creating a warm and gracious atmosphere.

Mario Ferrario, a founding member of the Bergamo family church, was a highlight of the ceremony. He shared moving insights into the constant love of the Heavenly Parent and the blessings from the True Parents. He urged everyone to stay committed to their faith and unite under the "Vision 2025" initiative, following True Mother's guidance.

The ceremony also included expressions of gratitude by an elder second-generation. Acknowledging the strong faith foundation set by his parents he committed to furthering this legacy after visiting the Holy Ground in Bergamo, established in 1975.

Guk-son Capone, the National President, expressed his appreciation for the groundwork laid by the earlier generation. He committed to continue supporting and building on this legacy, ensuring it thrives for future generations and maintains the tradition of faith, community, and unity in the Bergamo family church. \mathcal{P}



Hyojeong CheonBo Tour

he CheonBo tour, guided by Impyo Moon, the Director of the CheonBo EUME branch, has offered profound spiritual enrichment across Russia, stretching from St. Petersburg in the northwest to Khabarovsk in the east near the Chinese border. This journey was profoundly influenced by the substantial presence of the Heavenly Parent and the direct guidance of the True Parents. The two-day CheonBo workshop featured a series of spiritually uplifting activities including an opening ceremony, CheonBo Chanyang, meditation, scriptural teachings, and a benediction, all concluding with a group photo session. Director Moon provided insights into the grace of Cheonshim Won, highlighting the love and grace of the Only Begotten Daughter, True Mother, and explored the providence of CheonBo.

Participants from diverse religious and national backgrounds united under the Heavenly Parent, sharing their deep gratitude and emotions for the True Mother's significant spiritual work in CheonBo. The event ended on a high note with enthusiastic cheers and applause, reflecting the profound spiritual impact of the guidance provided. \mathcal{P}



Regional President Hori Masaichi's Visit to India

s part of his regional tour across seven countries (Philippines, New Zealand, Samoa Islands, Australia, India, and Nepal), Regional President of the Asia-Pacific region, Hori Masaichi visited India from March 21 to March 27. This visit had a specific purpose: to distribute to all Indian members the special Holy Salt from Death Valley, which was bestowed by the True Mother. President Masaichi began his visit by attending the launch ceremony of the "Peacemaker Club" at the University of Delhi, where he delivered a very inspiring speech. He also shared a dinner with local VIPs and leaders of the UPF including the President of the South Asian IAPP, to whom he conveyed the warm greetings and the peace vision of True Mother. Additionally, President Masaichi participated in a special service celebrating the Festival of Colors with over 100 members. It was a valuable opportunity to share the immense love and heart of the True Mother. Together with Indian members, he also took part in the 1,000th special prayer vigil of Cheonshimwon, which was directly connected with Korea. Later he visited holy and historic sites in India, where he offered fervent prayers for national restoration.

India holds an extremely important place in the history of the Unification Movement. Here, transcending cultural, ethnic, and religious barriers, the True Parents have worked tirelessly to lay solid foundations for establishing the Will of the Heavenly Parent. On September 8, 1965, during their first visit to India, they designated a Holy Ground near the Rajpath-India Gate in New Delhi. Subsequently, they sent missionaries in 1971 and visited the country several times (1993, 1995, 2005, 2006).

As the grand entrance ceremony to Cheon II Sanctum in the Cheon Won Gung approaches in 2025, President Masaichi called on all Indian leaders and members to fully unite with True Mother and utilize the special Holy Salt from Death Valley to find the righteous prepared by Heaven, who will support the True Parents in their noble mission to realize a world of peace centered on the Heavenly Parent. \vec{r}



The Value of True Parents from the Viewpoint of Heaven's Providence



ver two months of meticulous planning by the Regional Office, with substantial support from National Leaders, culminated in a transformative 21-day workshop at the HJ Heaven and Earth CheonBo Training Center from April 2-22. This seminar, designed to deepen the participants' connection to the True Parents and the Cheonshim Won providence, was not just an educational retreat but a testament to the profound dedication of its attendees.

Forty-nine participants, including 42 youths and 7 leaders such as Reverend Sang Suek Kim, the HCA regional president, gathered from diverse backgrounds. The age range of attendees spanned from 17 to 61, with several guests from South America. The group represented a wide array of nations including Mexico, the Dominican Republic, Belize, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panama, Peru, Chile, Argentina, and Switzerland, showcasing a rich tapestry of cultures united under a common goal.

The commitment of these youths was particularly notable, with many making significant sacrifices to attend—some left their jobs, and others paused their academic studies, risking academic progress. Additionally, to manage the financial burden of travel, many participants engaged in weeks of fundraising activities.

This workshop was strategically timed to coincide with the second 40-day period of devotion for the victorious entrance to the Cheon Won Gung and Cheon II Sanctum. It aimed not only to educate but also to spiritually prepare the participants for upcoming blessings—13 individuals are poised to receive these blessings on April 24th, with six couples among them, five of which are second-generations.

One of the core objectives of this inaugural seminar was to establish it

신중미 청년학생 효정 21일 특별 수련 HEAVENLY CENTRAL AMERICA AND CARIBBEAN YOUTH HJ 21-DAYS SPECIAL WORKSHOP as an annual tradition, encouraging participants to return next year with guests. This ongoing cycle aims to create a lasting impact, inspiring youths to motivate others to experience what they have learned and felt.

The participants left the workshop profoundly moved, expressing deep gratitude towards True Mother for her unwavering dedication. They felt rejuvenated by the rich activities and insightful lectures provided by various leaders and professors. Inspired by their experiences at the training center, they are now eager to return to their home countries, ready to assist others in making the journey to Korea and experiencing this transformative event for themselves.

This workshop not only educated and inspired but also forged a community of motivated youths ready to spread their newfound insights, enthusiasm and ongoing providential efforts across the globe. \mathcal{P}

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Coffee with Pastors: Bridging Divides and Uniting Faiths

n the heart of Brazil, a remarkable initiative, "Coffee with Pastors," is nurturing bonds across Christian denominations. Launched in August 2023, this initiative aims to forge meaningful relationships with pastors from various Christian traditions, introducing them to the Divine Principle with the ultimate goal of rejuvenating their congregations.

We're thrilled to recount the twelfth installment of our "Coffee with Pastors" series, hosted at the Central Headquarters. These gatherings have become a beacon of inspiration, facilitating partnerships and fostering camaraderie among Christian leaders and their flocks, further cementing our connections with pastors from diverse denominational backgrounds.

This gathering was graced by 32 pastors from a spectrum of churches and denominations within the region, culminating in a total of 43 attendees. The convergence of such varied perspectives significantly surpassed our expectations, enriching the dialogue. Our discussions emphasized the power of unity in addressing communal challenges, affirming that our collective efforts can yield significant societal benefits.

"Coffee with Pastors" has opened doors to intimate workshops tailored for pastors, offering them an insight into the Divine Principle through special workshops for Pastors, acquainting them with the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and all Humankind. As a token of our appreciation at the end of the event, each attendee was gifted an autobiography of the True Mother'.

The enthusiasm for "Coffee with Pastors" is on the rise, with an increasing number of pastors eager to engage. The active and vibrant participation of all attendees promises exciting collaborative endeavors ahead, signaling a new chapter of unity and shared growth in our community. \mathcal{P}

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IAPD Africa and the African Union Formalize Partnership with MOU Signing

n a momentous advancement for interfaith dialogue and cooperation, the Interreligious Association for Peace and Development (IAPD) Africa and the African Union (AU) have solidified their partnership through the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). This critical event took place at the AU headquarters in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, in the Caucus Room #14, on April 4th, 2024, at 12:30 PM. The ceremony not only signifies a vital step forward in collaborative efforts for peace and development in Africa but also underscores Addis Ababa's historical significance as the capital city of the AU and a symbol of African unity.

IAPD Delegation:

- Dr. uZwi-Lezwe RADEBE, IAPD Chairperson.
- Rev. Bakary Camara, Chairman of IAPD Africa.
- Mr. Bhekinhlanhla Derrick Sibisi, President of the Revelation Spiritual Home Church.
- Mrs. Michelle Burrows, Personal Assistant to Rev. Bakary Camara.
- Father Louison Emerick Bissila Mbila, Roman Catholic Church chaplain to the AU.
- Pastor Adane Dechassa, Deputy Director of the Peace Building Department in IRCE (Interreligious Council of Ethiopia).
- Simon Amare, National Leader of Ethiopia and IAPD liaison officer to the AU.
- Happiness Amare, Deputy Director

of WFWP-Ethiopia and wife of the National Leader.

Citizens and Diaspora Directorate (CIDO)/AU Delegation:

- Mrs. Salma El Tanany, Head of CIDO department.
- Mrs. Hazel Maureen Danetta Dixon, CIDO coordinator.
- Mrs. Meseret Fasil, Legal affairs representative.
- Mrs. Yodit Rustom, CIDO Registry office.
- Mr. Begashaw, CIDO facilitator.

The MOU was signed by Dr. uZwi-Lezwe Radebe, Chairperson of IAPD Africa, and Mrs. Salma El Tanany Head of the CIDO department at the AU, marking a joint dedication to fostering peace, development, and spirituality across the continent. The event saw the participation of esteemed delegates from both organizations, including religious leaders, legal representatives, and coordinators, all committed to nurturing a cooperative relationship between IAPD Africa and the AU.

The Journey to the MOU:

The path to signing the MOU began earnestly after the 2017 WORLD SUMMIT in Seoul, Korea, where the IAPD Resolution was endorsed by religious leaders. Since then, IAPD Africa has tirelessly pursued engagement with the AU, a mission embodied by Fr. LOUISON Emerick and Pastor Adane DECHASSA, who were tasked with sharing the IAPD's vision and mission with AU officials.

Despite challenges encountered since the initiative's inception post-COVID-19 in 2021, the successful signing of the MOU is a testament to the perseverance and faith of all involved. It is believed that the spiritual support from the Heavenly Parent and the guidance of the True Mother, who has liberated many African spirits in her endeavors, played a crucial role in overcoming these obstacles.

Looking Forward:

Moving forward, True Mother aims to acquaint a third of the world's population with the teachings and missions of the True Parents by 2027, with a particular focus on leveraging Africa's pivotal role in achieving this vision. This MOU represents not only a practical agreement between IAPD Africa and the AU but also symbolizes a deeper spiritual reconciliation and unity of purpose. It opens doors for African leaders to engage with and benefit from the spiritual guidance of the Unification movement, positioning IAPD to serve as the moral and spiritual conscience of the AU. This partnership between IAPD Africa and the African Union, underscored by the signing of the MOU, is a meaningful offering to the Heavenly Parent and the True Parents, marking a significant milestone in the journey towards peace and spiritual development across Africa. 🌾

