

# 57<sup>th</sup> East European 15 Day Divine Principle Workshop

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*Workshop participants with their graduation certificates – lectures Beatrice Clyburn and Tibor Krebsz*

**1** 4 participants from Sweden, Finland, Poland, Czech Republic, Hungary and Austria attended the 2014 European 15 day WS held July 1-15 in Dunajská Lužná, SK. Our 3 generational group included 8 blessed children age 14-20 plus who graced us with creativity as big as their hearts, 3 mothers, other 1st gens and guest, and our kitchen grandmas aged 83-73 and 60 plus who put their cooking experience, energy and many prayers into a delicious nourishment. The teachers - 3 national leaders from HU, SK, Austria, and national messiah of Poland- did not only teach but also shared many experiences from their life of attendance. How wonderful it was to have talented musicians who offered their gifts to bring God's spirit down into our hearts. We also thank our sports' sisters who invested so our bodies could also receive oxygen, especially after lunch when they wanted to do siesta. The cool weather made it easier to concentrate, and we had a few days of great weather for swimming and being refreshed.

## **Some highlights:**

We started each day with HDH, and life in CIG. Twice we held Ahn Shi IL service.

Divine Principle teaching competition: each participant was challenged to convey a part which touches their heart. We could experience hope in front of the internal commitment of some blessed children to walk the way of the Divine Principle.

Top of the growth stage: repentance lecture, writing our repentance from the position of being loved by our Heavenly Parent, ceremony of burning them after 6 participants offered a repentance prayer on behalf of their nation. It was followed by individual prayer, and a lot of singing around the fire as the night was falling. Some were repenting in deep tears. Through such practice some met the God of love and forgiveness in a way they never had.

Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and Moses' course. We studied passages from World Scriptures 2- Father's profound knowledge of these historical figures made them come alive – Abraham and Jacob even manifested themselves spiritually- and we could better contemplate our own parallel course.

Reading from Dr Lee in the spiritual world helped us be moved by their hearts. Abraham and Isaac's relationship might be what we strive for in blessed families, "I am grateful for God to choose me as the offering object. Father, what are you worried about? Becoming an offering object is good. It is a blessing."

“Father, if you falsely swear before God, I cannot look at your face.” Isaac’s heart as an offering moved us deeply, and made us reflect on our own attitude and commitment.

We were also studying the Bible and searching for the desperate God who was looking for His rebellious sons and daughters throughout the ages of the foundation for the messiah.

“Sing Hosannas every more, sing of glory ever more for the Lord has come again!” As the history of this song was explained and we sang it again, we had goose bumps feeling the presence of a high level spiritual world and Jesus himself who went around searching in vain for his spiritual children in order to offer them to Father. We were reminded again and again that the purpose of Christianity was to make the foundation of faith and substance for the coming of True Parents. We realized that Unificationists are the true disciples of Jesus

True Mother’s course centering on Father’s and her testimony. It was explained with deep clarity that we can only understand True Mother when we see her as the fruit of the world level foundation to receive the Second Coming of Christ made in Korea by underground Christianity. Our True Mother sits on the clouds of these most faithful and devoted Christian witnesses from 3 Adam type groups and 3 Eve type groups who could not attend True Father and are now desperate to do so.

True Father’s course started in a profound way exploring the levels of resurrection, and what the failure of the Christian John the Baptist meant for him, how his body was in hell and he could maintain his soul in attendance to God- same course as Jesus on the cross. Both Father’s course and Mother’s

course concluded with numerous tears.

#### **Some reflections:**

Some explained that they had no idea what to expect, others had not been in a long WS for many years but the content of the lectures blew them away; their souls were deeply touched, and they could repent, pray, cry, and spend time heart to heart with God in a way they had never done before. They also came out with a deeper appreciation for what True Parents did for them, and for the world. Some were shocked that they did not realize what Father did to make it possible for Soviet communism to collapse. All made determination to step by step live the life God expects them to, starting with making changes in their character and their lives.

“For me the whole 15 day WS was a special experience. I felt God and for the first time True Parents so close and so present over most of the time” 2nd gen young woman

“Until now I was not able to connect repentance with something positive. My concept was more like, “I am so bad, I am a wretched being” But here we were taught to connect it with gratitude, “Thank you God! I am sorry.” This gives you a whole new position, not as servant of servant but as an adopted child. With a grateful heart I cried many tears while writing my repentance letter and I felt that I could really write with a sincere heart, not with intellect” 2nd gen young man

“Sometimes I was feeling bad, so I went to walk in nature and prayed. It was amazing because nature is so beautiful. I am very grateful for these moments. I cleared my life goals. My best friends were my pen and my notebook...” 1st gen



This 57th European 15 day WS was offered up in the most special and unexpected way: True Parents’ special emissary, Dr Moon Lan Young accompanied by her husband Dr Pak No Hi came to visit the SK WS center only a few hours after our last HDH. She picked up our foundation of faith and love and many of our tears and offered them to True Parents directly! We offer our Heavenly Parent and our True Parents our sincere and profound gratitude.

*Beatrice Clyburn, 15 day WS teacher*

