

This is the work of True Parents in Spirit World and in the Physical World

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Archbishop Kim shared with the church members True Mother's recent message during her Revival Tour in Japan.

Archbishop Ki Hoon Kim urged Unificationists on Sunday October 28, 2013 to stay the course of True Mother as if they were Israelites following Joshua and Caleb into the promised land of Canaan. The continental director of the FFWPU was speaking to a full room of Unificationists at New Hope Family Church in Landover Hills, Maryland on a range of topics.

“These days, so many things confuse us. I want to ask you to unite with True Parents’ message and keep our tradition strong for the sake of True Parents,” he said.

Dr. Kim related that True Mother had given him an anecdote about the extraordinary example of Caleb, the Biblical hero, during Archbishop Kim’s stay with her in Hawaii during the summer. As he tells it, “Sometimes in our community, we get one leader mentioned more than the other. Caleb told Joshua that he would fully support him to lead the people to God’s prepared land. When the Israelites settled down in the land of Canaan, Caleb was 85. After they landed [in Canaan], Joshua tried to divide the land for each tribe. The tribes argued over who should get the choice pieces of land. Caleb stood up and said: ‘Joshua give me the land that nobody wants.’ He once again stood up with the same spirit. ‘My faith is towards God,’ said Caleb. ‘God gave us this land, so why must we argue?’ This is the life of Caleb. He never changed. Somehow God told them exactly what to do when they entered this land. But the Israelites missed it, and Satan always attacks when human beings make mistakes,” he explained.

As he began to speak from the pulpit at New Hope Family Church, Archbishop Kim made the following remarks:

“Thank you Rev. Miilhan Stephens for welcoming me! Last night, True Mother just came back from the Revival speaking tour in the last two weeks in Japan, a total of five cities.

“These last two weeks in Japan, the island was hit by a very heavy hurricane, externally. More than 400 schools in the Tokyo area closed down because of the heavy storm.

“I thought perhaps the weather was reacting to True Mother’s speaking tour, but somehow in every city, all the banquet halls, all stadiums, were full.

“In Saitama, near Tokyo, more than 20,000 people came despite the bad weather. There was also a double rainbow afterwards in Saitama welcoming all the guests to the Tokyo Dome.

“This is the work of True Parents in spirit world and in the physical world. They support us so much. More than 30,000 people gathered in the five-city revival meeting, and they had a wonderful time. The first thing that True Mother mentioned at the cities was to thank all the members for their great work. True Mother even mentioned elder sisters' names one by one, even though some are not here any longer

with us. But she still remembered their names. Let us give them a deep prayer and blessing for their sacrificial life. Because of them we could celebrate 55 years of mission work in the country of Japan. Think how much the Japanese church gave not only for its own nation but also gave its support for the world mission. Without the help of the missionaries around the world, there wouldn't have been the 191 missions. Today, there are wonderful foundations. So, I would like to honor all Japanese families and spouses. Let's give them a big hand of applause!



Archbishop Ki Hoon Kim spoke at the New Hope Family Church in Landover Hills on October 28, 2013.

“A leader sent an email after having watched True Mother's welcoming Rally in Chung Pyung. More than 20,000 families, peace ambassadors and guests came. It is amazing how the Japanese and Korean church can mobilize into these big gatherings in the span of one or two weeks. I think in America, bringing 2,000 people together is not easy. I say to you, don't be afraid of anything. We can do anything with True Parents' support. Don't worry about the way of preparing anything. God will prepare it. Why do we have to worry about all these things? The Japanese family members have faith. They don't care about their family situations. As a result, unfortunately, many families are struggling. But they are aiming all the time for the sake of others. True Mother mentioned to them about the ant. Do you how many stomachs an ant has? Two stomachs. Even with a small body she carries all the time two stomachs. The big stomach is for others and the small one is for herself. Japanese members are like this. They save for themselves only a tiny bit, and they invest everything else for the sake of the others and the sake of the world and True Parent's work. When I see Japanese leaders, they really envy America. 'You have so many things, but we don't have anything,' they say. This has been their life and dedication for the last 55 years for the sake of God's providence for restoration for this world.

“With the wisdom of Heavenly Parents and True Parents, True Mother went around from city to city and held small *Hoon Dok Hae* and victory celebrations. Every time she gave an incredible message.

“Yesterday, True Mother appointed for the first time ever a second generation to become the new Korean church president, Rev. Lu. He worked as a missionary in Russia for a long time, and in many other countries and local church activities in Korea.

“In the last year, you must know how much True Mother invested her own energy to focus on the second generation. Some of the second gen have fallen away from our church community. This is the reality. However we have to move on centering on the new leadership of True Parents. Most of the second generation are uplifting our spiritual atmosphere.

“True Mother mentioned in yesterday's message about *Cheon Il Guk* and tribal messiahship and the mission of Korea, the Fatherland, and she talked about America's mission. We have the most important mission. This is the reason why True Parents lived in America for the last 40 years to save this country with the Christian background which was chosen by God.

“We must awaken this nation about True Parent's message which he gave to us 40 years ago. As True Father said at the Washington Monument, 'Repent today because tomorrow may be too late!' True Mother really cared about this matter.

“True Father said 'I don't want to develop a Unification Church. I want to develop people who have inherited God's vision of a God-centered mind, body, family, and nation. Those who have this tradition centered on Heavenly parents. My job is not to create a church. My job is to educate people about God and the second coming of the Messiah.'

“True Mother said in her tour that Japan has absolutely no hope without True Parents. After World War II Japan was defeated and went through much suffering. True Mother wants to uplift the nation once again for the sake of God and True Parents as a mother nation and an Eve nation.

“This was really a revival meeting that she had in Japan. Without notes, she shared about True Parent’s message for Japan. Now, True Mother will travel to Korea, and she might come to America. So we really need to prepare internally and externally.

“Next, I would like to testify about Miilhan Stephens (the pastor of the New Hope Family Church).

“Two weeks ago we met in a humble Chinese restaurant across from the New Yorker Hotel. When I got this message, I thought, 'Why does he want to see me, and why does he want to meet me? I had some questions in my mind. This was not business as usual for a second-gen senior pastor to meet with me. I expected many kinds of requests, like many other second generation have requested to do things. Maryland is one of the largest communities in America, so I was a little apprehensive. After the meeting was over, I concluded that I never met such a prepared second-generation leader. He is a very humble man. He was more interested in listening to me talk. I also told him to ask me anything that he liked. He shared so many things. He studied in Korea. He had many visions about True Parents. He has a sincere prayer life. I really admired this leadership.

“So, after we finished the food and conversation at the Chinese restaurant, we checked out our fortune cookies. I picked up my fortune and read it. I then put it in the garbage and told myself it wasn’t meaningful. One day, inspiration hit me and I searched out for the fortune. Fortunately, the cookie’s fortune was not thrown out. Here is what is said: “Never measure the height of a mountain until you have reached the top.” This reminds me that we should not underestimate whatever we do until we understand it correctly and clearly.

“Miilhan left a deep impression on me. I tried to be humble as much as possible, but some people say to me ‘after you became a Continental Director, you’ve changed.’ I feel like I haven’t changed, but others see me another way. This is what keeps me humble again and again. I tell myself, 'You have to listen to others.' I learned at the Unification Theological Seminary about empathy. You must listen to others.

“This morning I tried to explain about Joshua and Caleb. Last summer, True Mother invited her grand children aged 5-14 to Hawaii for a second-generation workshop led by Leighton DeGoede who gave 36 Divine Principle lectures. True Mother stayed for 30 days in Hawaii. Every day she woke up at 4:00 a.m. and checked out the fruit trees and then would have breakfast. One morning, at dawn, she said to me, “Bishop Kim do you know about Joshua and Caleb?” True Mother then mentioned that Joshua’s name is mentioned all throughout the Old Testament, but not so much Caleb. She said, 'How precious that Caleb’s leadership fully supported Joshua even though they both were elected generals of their tribes. How do you feel? Sometimes in our community, we get one leader mentioned more than the other. Caleb told Joshua that he would fully support him to lead the people to God’s prepared land. When the Israelites settled down in the land of Canaan, Caleb was 85. After they landed, Joshua tried to divide the land for each tribe. The tribes argued over who should get the choice pieces of land. Caleb stood up and said: ‘Joshua give me the land that nobody wants.’ He once again stood up with the same spirit. ‘My faith is towards God,’ said Caleb. ‘God gave us this land, so why must we argue?’ This is the life of Caleb. He never changed. Somehow God told them exactly what to do it when they entered this land. But the Israelites missed it, and Satan always attacks when human beings make mistakes. That is why True Mother always talks about indemnity conditions.

“For a thousand years, God needed to start centering on Jesus because the Israelites’ became confused and went their own direction. They lost God’s promised land of Canaan. These days, so many things confuse us. I want to ask you to unite with True Parent’s message and keep our tradition strong for the sake of True Parents. Why do we have to hear something besides God? Why do we have to change our lifestyles? We shouldn’t, because we have True Parents. 94 percent of the American people believe that God is real, but they don’t understand God. This is making trouble for our nation. We don’t know what to do with it. We heard so many times of God’s trials. We have to listen to the Messiah’s words. In the 1960s, True Father received severe persecution, yet still True Father chose True Mother as True Mother. Through this Holy Blessing, God decided for the first time ever to have this family. This is the reason why Satan can attack no more. That wedding saved our Unification Church and enabled our worldwide activities. God prepared True Mother for the sake of the Unification Church and for True Father first. We all know of Adam and Eve’s relationship. At what age did Eve fall? 16 years old. This is the age True Father received his own mission in a message from Jesus -- at 16. Then, True Father met True Mother when she was 16. How much Heavenly Parents protected True Mother for three generations!

“We must come together, and we should not repeat the same mistakes. We need to stay concrete for the sake of Heavenly Parents and True Parents. We then won’t be confused by second thoughts. We won’t be swayed by other spiritual groups. Be clear and be united with True Parents, as True Mother mentioned to the Japanese members. You have no hope without True Parents. You have to be united with True Parents to receive the blessing.”