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In Memory of Jean Francois Franquelin

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

May the love and blessing of our Heavenly Parent and our True Parents be with each of your families.

Our beloved elder brother, Jean Francois Franquelin passed away on December 10, 2010 in Anchorage, Alaska. Our condolences and love go out to his family. Let us join together in prayer for a peaceful transition to his new life in the spiritual world.

Following is a tribute to his wonderful life from his pastor, Nelson Mira.

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On Friday night, December 10th, in Anchorage Regional Hospital, Mr. Jean Francois Franquelin passed into the spirit world. Jean had an aneurism in his aorta which burst causing the heart to seize because it was not receiving blood.

On the night of Sunday, December 12th, a Gwi Hwan Ceremony was held followed by a viewing at the Kodiak Mortuary. There were many people who came to pay respect to Jean until 11:00 pm.

The Seung Hwa ceremony was held Monday, December 13th, at 12:30 pm at the Unification Church of Kodiak, Alaska. All members of Jean's family attended. Officers of True World Group, Fishermen, co-employees of Jean, friends and Unification Church members jam packed the church.

During the Seung Hwa Ceremony Rev. Larry Krishnek, the Senior Pastor of District 10 delivered the Seung Hwa sermon. He spoke about True Parents' teachings on the three realms of life. After the ceremony several guests came to him and expressed in words their appreciation to hear his

message. Mrs. Misako Franquelin, the wife of Jean, gave a response with her deep appreciation in front of the attendees. After the ceremony there were about 150 single carnations offered to Jean from the individuals who lined up towards the casket to see Jean for the last time.

The Won Jeon ceremony immediately followed the Seung Hwa. Jean was laid to rest on a wooded hillside cemetery overlooking Kodiak city.

At 5:00 pm dinner was served at the Elks Lodge in downtown Kodiak. An estimated 300 people attended. They viewed the beautiful power point tribute that was prepared by Jean's children, and then shared testimonies of Jean.

The ISA (International Seafood of Alaska) organized and sponsored the ceremonies under the leadership of Pres. Jun Sik Lee. At the Seung Hwa Ceremony President Lee mentioned that Jean was among the successful workers at ISA who play a key role in elevating the company to be one of the most successful fish industries in Kodiak. ISA was founded by True Parents on 1978 with vision of the Ocean Providence in America.

Biography of Jean François Franquelin

Jean was born on October 8, 1950 in Offenburg, Germany to Raymond Beausoleil and Fernande Franquelin. He has two half sisters, Christine Franquelin and Annie Arnold.

Jean attended school in France until middle school. The next several years he spent in various locations and pursing different areas. After he completed his formal education he attended divinity school for two years with the intent of becoming a monk. He then joined the navy and served his country for one year. His journey next led him on a search for faith, true love, and



ultimate truth. He traveled around Europe, and went to Nepal and Afghanistan seeking spiritual truth. He did this through practicing meditation, fasting, and bodily training. Through his spiritual journey, he met the Unification Church and joined in 1975. Since then, Jean

was an active member in the movement all over France, England, and most of Europe. In 1980 he volunteered as a European representative to join the Ocean Church in the USA, and promptly

moved to New York. On December 30, 1980 he was matched with Misako Watanabe. On July 1, 1982, they received the Blessing along with 2075 couples. He continued his Ocean Church work and moved to Kodiak in January of 1984. After his work for the Ocean Church, he began his career at International Seafoods of Alaska heading the Fleet Department of the company. He dedicated his work at ISA for twenty six years to support True Parents' vision on the Ocean Providence.

In 1986, his first daughter Nathalie was born. Michelle was born in 1989, Naomi Francoise was born in 1990, and Patrick Hae Young Ko was born in 1994.

Jean loved the ocean, fishing, hunting, and soccer. He loved nature, berry picking, and making people smile. He was a selfless, hardworking family man who loved his wife, children, and grandson dearly. Jean had a unique sense of humor and a generous, genuine heart. His unique character and memories will shine in the hearts of all the lives he touched in the Kodiak community and beyond.

Respectfully submitted

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