

FFWPU USA: Invitation: Cheon Shim Won in Korea Celebrates 800 Night Vigils

Demian Dunkley
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Dear Pastors, Brothers and Sisters,

As you know, Rev. Dunkley has asked all our communities to set up their own Cheon Shim Won. If you missed it, his letter can be found [here](#). While this is in process, the Cheon Shim Won halls in America have been connecting with the Cheon Shim Won in Korea every Friday morning.

Tomorrow, Saturday, July 1, the central Cheon Shim Won in Korea will mark its 800th night vigil with a special celebration. The night vigil is every day from 10pm to 1am in Korea (9am-12pm Eastern/ 6-9am Pacific).

For tomorrow's celebration, not only the Cheon Shim Won halls are invited, but all churches and brothers and sisters.

The Cheon Shim Won zoom link will be available about 30 minutes before the beginning of the program (8:30am Eastern/5:30am Pacific), however, it is not a public link. Therefore, the pastors are asked not to forward it publicly. Brothers and sisters are welcome to join the celebration in our local churches. If you are not able to attend the celebration at your local church, but wish to join, you may contact your pastor and they can send you the link directly to you.

Thank you,

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I have been in Las Vegas for about two weeks, praying with leaders at our national Cheon Shim Won. During this time, we completed the first three Cheon Shim Won Rebirth workshops. The purpose of these workshops is to experience the essence of Heavenly Parent and True Parents through spirit and truth centering on prayer at the Cheon Shim Won. This essence guides our growth naturally.

As I mentioned in my inauguration speech, we are entering a whole new era. A whole new book is being written. This is not just a new chapter. True Mother is propelling us forward with a total commitment to the reunification of Korea and national restoration. True Mother is especially asking our top three providential nations to bring great results through witnessing; results that we have never seen before. As I stood before True Mother in Korea, it was clear to me that our victory could not possibly depend on our limited abilities. In order to achieve what True Mother knows is possible, we need miracles.

In terms of real substance, miracles may seem far-fetched, and you certainly cannot strategize for miracles as far as I know. So in reality, what are these miracles? In my experience, they are the times when our substantial efforts on the ground are in line with the preparations made in heaven. That magical moment when our efforts lead to unexpected breakthroughs that we couldn't have imagined. Such experiences are only possible based on a strong foundation of spirit and truth through prayer. This is the very purpose of our Cheon Shim Won.

After True Mother appointed me to America, she guided me to go and pray in the Cheon Shim Won in Korea for guidance. From there, I strongly felt that heaven was asking me to offer sincere prayers in the Cheon Shim Won in Las Vegas before making any decisions for the American movement. Now that this has begun, what is next?

After two weeks of prayer in Las Vegas, I felt heaven answered this question. Our next step is in fact what True Mother already directed us to do:

True Mother told us that we are to live centered on heaven and Cheon Shim Won. Therefore, all communities in America should set up their Cheon Shim Won prayer rooms as soon as possible. From now on the spiritual heartbeat of the Family Federation in America will be centered on our national Cheon Shim Won in Las Vegas and our Cheon Shim Won satellites across the nation.

You can read about Pastors Joshua and Takayo Holmes' quick response to set up a local [Cheon Shim Won in Los Angeles](#), and Pastor Justin Okamoto is also working on establishing it in Belvedere. I hope all our American communities will work quickly to set up a local Cheon Shim Won. You can reference the progress map to see which communities have already settled their Cheon Shim Won.

Many members have been investing their time and their jeongseong through the national Morning Devotion over the last two and a half years. Through the practice of daily prayer and HDH with community members, many brothers and sisters felt revived. From now, we will move this providence to the local level centered on local leadership at the Cheon Shim Won.

From this time, I would like to ask every pastor to host morning prayer meetings and HDH based on True Mother's autobiography and True Mother's speeches. Once enough communities are ready we will align our HDH content to move together as one.

Communities that do not yet have a Cheon Shim Won, or are not able to set one up immediately, can connect to a larger community in their area that has an operational Cheon Shim Won. Members who cannot make it in person can be invited to join via zoom.

Furthermore, I also ask all the American Cheon Shim Won halls to connect with the Cheon Shim Won in Korea for the special testimony and prayer session that takes place every Friday at 10pm in Korea (9am Eastern/ 6am Pacific).

The Cheon Shim Won is an amazing gift, because our sincere prayers are usually answered swiftly. I believe that the communities who come together in sincere prayer centered on True Mother's words will experience great power to help you witness and grow the community with spirit and truth.

I believe that through our sincere devotion centered on prayer and study of True Parents' words in the sacred space True Mother designated as the spiritual center and heart of the worldwide movement, we can resonate with True Mother's heart on a level we have never experienced until now, and we will become living examples of True Parents' fruits that can expand our church foundation based on the spirit and truth True Mother has been guiding us to experience.

May Heavenly Parent Bless you and your families,



Rev. Demian Dunkley
Regional Chair and President

A New Day Dawns: CheonShim Won Prayer Hall Opens in Los Angeles



Photos courtesy of Los Angeles Family Church

"Future leadership must be trained at the CheonShim Won," said Dr. Ki Hoon Kim, President of Cheon Shim Won USA, during his message at the recent opening of the CheonShim Won Prayer Hall in Los Angeles, CA. "This is True Mother's last gift. This is the new hope for America."

On Sunday, June 11, The Los Angeles Family Church held an opening ceremony for a new CheonShim Won Prayer Hall. The co-pastors, Joshua and Takayo Holmes, had just returned from spending several days at the National CheonShim Won in Las Vegas with Dr. Kim and Rev. Demian Dunkley, Regional Chair and National President of FFWPU USA, and made the determination to establish the CheonShim Won as soon as possible at their church. They felt an urgency to prepare the prayer hall, recognizing that in order to move forward and support True Mother's vision, the community must first offer devotion at the CheonShim Won.

For four days, young Unificationists volunteered their time to pray, remodel, and clean the space that would be dedicated as the CheonShim Won in preparation for the opening. "As we prayed," said Los Angeles Family Church pastor Rev. Joshua Holmes, "we felt how much Satan desperately did not want this to happen. Yet at the same time, we felt the heart of True Father urging us to keep going."





The night before the opening, Unificationists gathered at the church for an evening service, where Rev. Holmes shared an inspiring message about rebirth. After the service, each member took time to individually offer devotion and prayer in preparation for the next day's ceremony.

105 members attended the ceremony, gathering as early as 6:00 in the morning to spiritually prepare the environment for the opening. Dr. Kim led the ceremony and gave an inspiring message regarding the significance of the CheonShim Won.

"Today you are offering this CheonShim Won prayer room. This is responding to True Mother," said Dr. Kim, referring to the CheonShim Won as True Parents' last gift. "This is the answer to my one year of prayers at the CheonShim Won...This is True Parents' CheonShim Won spirit awakening once again! Not only what we had or what we learned, this is the greatest awakening for the sake of America. You answered! You are a chosen people!"

Dr. Kim also shared his amazement at Rev. Dunkley's commitment to establishing CheonShim Won prayer halls in every state in America and creating a culture of praying together every day.

"The national spirit has changed," said Dr. Kim. "You don't know what will happen after you come here and offer your CheonShim Won prayer condition. No one can imagine what will happen the next day, the next 7 days, 30 days, or 40 days... After 60 years of church life, my last one year of church life has been the most exciting, and I truly understood True Parents, and now, True Mother's providence as the Only Begotten Daughter."





Rev. Holmes spent most of the morning seated in the Hall praying and observing with a “prayerfully curious” attitude. “I was blown away and my heart wrenched as I watched many members immediately weeping tears once they entered and began praying,” said Rev. Holmes. “Many members testified to us afterwards [that] ‘a fresh spirit has descended on Los Angeles. There is hope.’”

The community is already seeing many challenges sort themselves out since they started offering CheonShim Won prayers. Rev. Holmes feels hopeful that the community can reach out to new and distant families and bring substantial success to the Los Angeles community.

“In her first message at Las Vegas CheonShim Won, True Mother mentioned ‘Let us spread the fire of CheonShim Won spirit from the West and bring this fire to the East!’” said Dr. Kim. “A new way and a new day has dawned!”

You can learn more about the Cheon Shim Won [here](#).

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