

Testimony to True Mother

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I had the privilege to be around True Parents in a variety of intimate and public situations, from San Francisco/Oakland to Morning Garden and Boston Church in Massachusetts to New York to Hannamdong and special occurrence's in Korea to tours in America over an almost 40 year period. Mother has been an incredibly grounding presence for Father as his eternal object--and I would add that the four position foundation is one in which there are infinite angles of give and take that occur--in marriage and family life there is nothing static--relationships are beautifully spherical, not two dimensional.

In Gloucester, Father would come back from fishing, sometimes unexpectedly early, and his first question would be, "Where is Mother?" Mother constantly looked out for Father's health and well-being in small to major ways. She was always there for him, and for a woman who went through more than 14 pregnancies and other health situations herself, she lived an incredibly demanding life with a man who simply never stopped. Just as some Christians retain an image of meek and mild loving Jesus, many members would like Mother to conform to a certain meek and mild, ever warmth giving stereotype of a woman. I love Mother for her steadiness, her incredible compassion, and for

not living in a world of emotion but for having clear-sightedness, deep, profound spirituality, and faith that all her children will eventually get it right.

She has prayed side by side with Father for decades for both her physical children and all of us. She also has a gentle sense of humor--I once made a bed with her while Father and Sun Jin Nim sat on it watching TV, and another time Father started talking to Little Angels students and the four of us American teachers in English--Mother said to Father, "Oh, speak to them in Korean! They are studying Korean here!" Father chuckled and said, "That's right!" and continued in Korean.

Anyway, Dale and I, as we pray for True Parents and their relationship across Heaven and Earth, Mother and Father have been coming to us in dreams and visions, and as we pursue the path they opened, we will follow them with joy and gratitude.