

Chicago, IL Family Church community's 50th Heavenly Parent's Day celebrations

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The 50th Heavenly Parent's Day celebrations were a time of great joy, inspiration and hope for members of the Chicago Family Church community.

The festivities began with a small Pledge Service at the Learning Center on Saturday morning, January 28. At noon, they held the 21st Annual True Family Values Awards Banquet on the south side of Chicago. This event is a hallmark of their ongoing outreach work with religious, political and civic leaders through the Chicago area. The event was scheduled on this historic day to begin the new year centered on Heavenly Parent and True Parents' deepest desire to bring all of their children home.



On Sunday, nearly 250 Unificationists gathered for the Sunday Service celebration at the Hattendorf Community Center. It was a joyous time with families of all ages, a clear new-year message, a delicious pot-luck brunch, and dynamic entertainment. Everyone was very moved as they watched True Mother's messages given during the 2013 and 2014 Heavenly Parent's Day events in Korea.

Rev. David Rendel shared about the many achievements in 2016 and thanked everyone for their faithful devotion and investment. He also encouraged everyone to prepare for the many opportunities destined for this new year.

"We're grateful for the steadfast leadership of our True Mother and are very excited to be a part of this incredible movement in building God's Kingdom!" said Rev. Rendel on behalf of the Chicago Family Church community and ministry team.