## Unification Church of Columbus, Ohio hosted a Special Grace Ceremony

Frank Sanchez August 14, 2016





On Sunday, August 14, UC Columbus hosted the Special Grace Ceremony with 51 families from Columbus and two families from the Cincinnati community in attendance. Counting all their children, we had 170 people who participated in this Special Grace-Holy Wine Ceremony.

During the ceremony, rain poured outside the windows, which made the cleansing of our sins very palpable.

Every part of the program was conducted by different blessed families which showcased our unity and diversity.

Pastor Frank Sanchez guided us through the Submission of the Resolution Forms and the Holy Wine Ceremony, and instinctively cheered and congratulated the whole community after each stage was completed.

Garrun and Yusun Abrahams, the district pastors for District 6, served as officiators and demonstrated the Holy Wine Ceremony by first sharing the Holy Wine between themselves and then assisting their young children, dabbing just a small amount on their lips.

It was very unusual to have all the young children in the audience but a beautiful sight to have everyone participate in the ceremony together, receiving the Holy Wine as unified families.

The ceremony concluded with celebratory cake, cheers of Eog Mansei, and lively sharing over lunch. The atmosphere was full of joy and gratitude.

UC Columbus is honored to have participated in the Special Grace Ceremony and glad to offer the ceremony up to our True Mother.





"I could not sleep well the last two nights before the Special Grace Ceremony. Even though I could not sleep well, however, I was not tired. On the contrary, I was energized. I felt that my ancestors could not wait to drink the Holy Wine.

"I was emceeing the ceremony and after the Holy Wine Ceremony finished, an incredible feeling of joy came over me, so that my feet wanted to dance and just jump like a child thanking Heavenly Parent and True Parents for their never-ending love for us and mankind. Unfortunately, I had to keep my composure, though, because I was standing in front of a chapel full of faithful and loyal children of Heaven as I facilitated the ceremony," commented Rev. Sanchez.