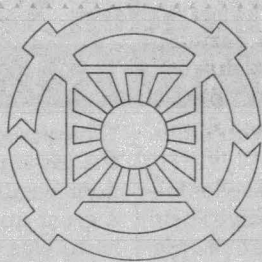


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Mother Embraces the World

by Peter Kim—Tarrytown, NY

The following reports are compiled from letters written by Mr. Peter Kim. They are informal, but they convey some of the pertinent information about the recent world speaking tour of Mrs. Hak Ja Han Moon. The tour is covering 41 countries, ending in late December.

Since Mother started her 41-nation world speaking tour, we all feel the significant difference of this time. Everywhere she goes, people are truly inspired by her appearance. Many people confessed that they expected Mother to be a tough, masculine-looking, arrogant woman. However, once they meet her they are very much surprised by her regal beauty, her gentle, motherly attitude and her genuine loving heart.

GERMANY

In Germany, one VIP—a former minister of finance—introduced Mother, saying: "We all expected somehow that after the fall of the Soviet empire the entire world would become a world of freedom, peace and happiness. But right now we are facing unprecedented social problems as well as a vacuum of power and ideology." Over 1200 guests came to the speech. Mother's



suite was buried with flowers sent by various organizations and VIPs welcoming her.

LUXEMBOURG

On Nov. 3, Mother was greeted by the chairwoman of the national congress. At the meeting with her, Mother strongly advised her to become the president of WFWP in Luxembourg

and she agreed to that. The national leader of Luxembourg is a high court judge. There was a man leading an anti-cult movement in the country. He has been very negative about the UC, too. The wife of our national leader strongly challenged the man to face the facts and find out who is wrong and who is right. He finally came to Mother's speech, and he got deeply

inspired. He promised to study DP further.

BELGIUM

On Nov. 4, Mother spoke in Belgium. Over 300 people heard Mother's proclamation and were deeply inspired. A Christian minister who introduced Mother emphasized the importance of dialogue among all groups and nations. He said that without dialogue there is no understanding nor expectation of peace on earth.

NETHERLANDS

The prime minister sent a welcoming letter to Mother. The hotel where she stayed also gave a warm welcome by hoisting the Korean flag on their flagpole.

IRELAND

The mayor of Dublin sent a crystal bowl to Mother to show her a warm welcome. The inscription on the bowl read: "Woman Champion of World Peace." We had eight Roman Catholic and many government officials in the audience.

ENGLAND

On Nov. 7, we had the best and biggest event in London. The entire British family united to do an excel-

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TRUE FAMILY AMERICAN SPEAKING TOUR

True Family Speaks Throughout America Hyo Jin Nim in Indiana

The Divine Principle reveals that the family is the cornerstone of the Kingdom of Heaven. It is within the family that we learn to love God by loving our parents, learn to embrace humanity by loving our brothers and sisters, and learn to exemplify God's parental heart by loving our children.

Reverend and Mrs. Moon, who discovered and exemplify the Principle, have 13 children, 7 sons and daughters-in-law and 20 grandchildren. Each member of their family has inherited from them a deep love for God and a commitment to a life of faith and public service.

Although all of their children, ranging in age from eleven to thirty-two, are still pursuing their education, many of them are already accomplished as musicians,

artists, Olympic athletes, corporate executives, lawyers, and professors. Reverend and Mrs. Moon are particularly proud of their adult children who are all contributing in various ways in support of their parents' ministry. They believe that there is no greater joy than having your children grow up and work by your side.

Having received their parents' call from Korea, Reverend and Mrs. Moon's family quickly responded by organizing a 40-city speaking tour centering on five major metropolitan areas of the United States.

Understanding their parents' desire for a family effort, they are working around their school and work schedules traveling throughout America to deliver this important message. Altogether 12 members of their family down to their 16-

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by John Triggol—Indianapolis, IN

When True Parents announced the 40 city speaking tour of the True Family, our Regional Director Rev. Hong wasted no time. Within a few days the date and place for Indiana had been set! In fact, the Hoosier state was to be the first of the 40 city tour on October 24, and was to be privileged with having the eldest son of the family, Hyo Jin Nim, deliver the speech. Furthermore, the prestigious First Christian Missionary Baptist Church of Indianapolis had made available its Sunday morning service. How could this be organized so quickly and easily?



When True Mother spoke in Indianapolis on July 27th many wonderful miracles occurred. One of which led to the preparation for Hyo Jin Nim's

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lent job in preparation for Mother's coming. VIPs number 456! Among them were three princes, members of Parliament, ambassadors, government ministers from other countries, and business leaders. True Mother was introduced by Professor Ursula King, a prominent ecumenical leader. She praised True Parents' lifelong endeavor to bring salvation to mankind. She urged the entire audience to stand and welcome True Mother to the stage.

Three Nobel laureates sent their warm welcome to Mother. At the reception before the speech, Dr. Zaki Badawi, the head of the Islamic College in London, volunteered to stand in the reception line along with Reverend Kwak and Church President Mark Brann. That he was in the reception line testified to the scale of the efforts to build unity among different religions which True Parents had accomplished with their work.

The VIPs were very surprised to be received by an Islamic leader at the WFWP event.

CANADA

The next day, Nov. 8, Mother spoke in Canada. With the help of the former governor general, Dr. Schreyer, the Canadian movement secured a conference hall in the Parliament building. Dr. Schreyer also introduced Mother with great respect and sincerity. More than 50 proclamations and welcoming letters were received at the speech, including proclamations from the vice prime minister of Canada and the mayor of Ottawa, as well as from many members of Parliament. In all, about 80 VIPs attended the speech.

FRANCE

The speech in Paris on Nov. 10 was another victory. The newly-elected prime minister sent a welcoming letter to Mother. We also met several Roman Catholic priests who came to the speech. They want to study Unification teachings further to find out if Reverend Moon is truly the Messiah whose return they are awaiting.

SCANDINAVIA

In the next two days, Nov. 11-12, Mother covered two Scandinavian countries, Norway and Sweden. A Norwegian newspaper, *Aftenposten*, the largest paper in Norway, reported True Mother's visit with the headline "Woman of Peace Visits Norway." The article explained about True Parents' lifelong endeavor to establish peace on earth, and introduced Mother's 44-nation speaking tour. It was a very nice article! Mother's speech in Norway was so powerful and inspirational that a coat-check lady at the hotel wanted to join WFWP after she witnessed all the

guests coming out of the speech smiling and in high spirits.

Both Norway and Sweden are losing their youth to Satan very rapidly. Their moral standard is so low that people do not even care about their parents. They just get by every day to enjoy life. Mother's speech was what they really needed.

SWITZERLAND

Mother received a warm welcome letter from the president of Switzerland.



Peter Kim singing during a celebration on Mother's tour

True Mother reminded us that Geneva is the very city where Father held a conference on the "Fall of the Soviet Empire" in 1985 when the Soviet Union was very strong and trying to take over the world. No one could have dared think about the fall of the Soviet Union then. But Father's order to keep that title was so firm that Dr. Kaplan could not change Father's mind, even after he tried his best to explain that the title would not attract scholars, and that it was dangerous even to say it. It was to this same city that Mother came to deliver God's proclamation to the Swiss people.

With God's grace and blessing, True Mother has been winning great victories everywhere she goes.

CROATIA

True Mother spoke here in Zagreb, Croatia last night. Over 700 dignitaries attended the speech and they all responded positively. This country used to be a part of the former Yugoslavia. Since the fall of communism, Yugoslavia has been divided into six different independent nations. Even now, a civil war is going on here. No one really knows why they are still killing each other—even after over 30,000 innocent lives were sacrificed and over 2.5 million people became refugees since the war began.

A prominent Christian minister asked our missionary here for help. He confessed that Christian churches do not have any answers to all the moral and social problems they are facing

now, besides the war they are fighting. True Parents' Headwing Ideology is the only solution, especially for a country like this. Mother is always educating the leaders of each country she visits.

AUSTRIA

It was the morning of Nov. 15 in Zagreb, Croatia, when Mother was supposed to speak in Vienna, Austria. We were told that the planes were all canceled because of the heavy snow. It snowed so heavily, in fact, that we could not see more than 200 feet ahead of us. The entire city's telephone system was down. There was no way to call the airport. We were not sure if we could leave the country, even while we drove to the airport.

However, we all got into the plane by 1:30pm, and felt the same feeling:

"Thank God we made it!" After paying the indemnity of suffering through the poor weather conditions, Mother gave a great speech in Vienna. The auditorium was overflowing with more than 1000 people attending the speech. Of course, many dignitaries came!

An ambassador, who is a son-in-law of his country's president, was among those who came to greet Mother and attended the speech. As she finished, the ambassador ran out of the room so that he wouldn't miss the opportunity to greet Mother. She shook hands with him as she left the room.

We also heard a testimony from a college professor who heard Mother's speech. This professor had totally changed her understanding about the Unification Church after she attended the speech. She realized that all the rumors she had heard were false and without foundation.

BULGARIA

Unfortunate news came from Bulgaria. The Bulgarian government forced the hotel where Mother was scheduled to stay and to speak to cancel her speech. We could not believe our ears when we first got the news. We had thought that all the eastern European countries, including Bulgaria, had already become democratic, free nations. But it turned out that some of them are still very much controlled by the former communists. They do not often show themselves. Although most of the governmental positions are taken by innocent civilians, the real power still lies in the hands of the hidden communist party leaders.

They have become a new Mafia-type group. They mobilize the media, too. Two days before our speech, the TV and newspapers misled the entire nation by publicizing all kinds of negative rumors about True Parents and the Unification Church. And then, the night before the speech, they finally canceled the event.

Of course, our leaders, strongly fought cancellation. We even appealed to Mr. Stoyan Ganey, the former president of the UN general assembly, who introduced True Father at the Manhattan Center speech and True Mother at the UN speech, to fight against this decision within the Bulgarian government. The international president of the Hilton hotel chain sent a powerful letter to the hotel manager, too. The hotel actually wanted our event to take place, but it was not their choice.

Finally, after long hours of discussion and argument, the manager of the hotel told us that it was the KGB and the mayor of Sofia who gave them the order to cancel the event. By then, however, about 100 VIPs and our members arrived at the hotel from Romania. They

had chartered two buses and had driven eight hours to get there. Therefore, our Bulgarian church tried to hold the event even without True Mother. They found a youth hostel and started negotiating with them. Then the KGB policemen appeared from nowhere and physically attacked our members brutally.

The wife of the Bulgarian Church national leader couldn't stop crying. Her parents realized what was happening and told her that the Unification Church members are the only true people in the country, and that therefore they should continue to fight. Our

church called a press conference the next day. The press conference was very successful. About 40 reporters, both domestic and international, came to hear our side of the story. Afterwards, national TV offered to show True Mother's introductory videotape, which is 12 minutes long, to the entire nation.

Mother told us, after the fiasco in Bulgaria, that God works in mysterious ways to turn misfortune to blessing. Our movement in Bulgaria will rapidly grow from now on.

HUNGARY

As you may know, Hungary is a rather small country, with only about 11 million people. Unlike Bulgaria, the entire country of Hungary seemed to welcome True Mother. The president of the nation, the Roman Catholic cardinal, the Budapest mayor, the defense minister and the prime minister's wife all sent welcoming letters to True Mother. Among 79 VIPs who attended the speech, some congresswomen were in attendance. We prepared only 600 chairs, but over 800 people came. So

to our great surprise about 200 extra people stood in the auditorium until the program was over. The next day, the country's largest newspaper carried the entire text of True Mother's speech.

POLAND

Mother's speech. More than 1000 guests packed the grand ballroom. The president's letter, which was read by one of his aides attending the speech, made a good impression on the audience.

After the speech, Mother strongly urged the members to use the videotapes Hyo Jin Nim produced recently. She told them that young people today need not only books to study but also video and audio materials which they can watch and hear to find out the truth.

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FOUNDER'S DISCOURSE ON UNIFICATIONISM

The Mainstream of True Love

by Reverend Sun Myung Moon

These are excerpts from "The Establishment of the Unification Church and the Mainstream Thought of the Dispensational History," the sermon given on May 1, 1993, at the Belvedere, International Training Center. The translator was Col. Sang Kil Han.

The root of the individual, the root of the family, the root of the clan, and the root of the nation are all the same. What this means is that we all come back to the same root. This is true for the nation, the clan, the family, and even the individual. The root is all the same. All countries of the world eventually trace down to one root. It means through this one root, all families, nations and even the world must be connected. Since we have one root, it means we should have one trunk and unified branches. When we accomplish this connection and unity in deed, the world will come into unity.

If you ask people of each nation where their root is, their answers will be comprised of many different roots and origins. For example, if you ask American people where their roots are, they will say, "My root is in Washington."

Their answer may only be local; it does not apply to the whole world. Does God think that Washington is the root of all mankind? Japanese people will trace their root in different ways. *Amaterasu omi no kami* is the goddess which they trace their root from. But we can see this now; everyone belongs to and can be traced to the same root.

Adam and Eve were the real root, not only of themselves, the individuals Adam and Eve, but Adam and Eve's family, Adam and Eve's clan, nation and so forth. They are the root of it all. There is only one root. Since no one can recognize or know where the true roots are, True Parents appear and identify the false roots, what people may think their roots are, and then present the true root.

Father defines God's will in a very simple way. God's will is to accomplish the ideal of creation. Period. Isn't that true? Once it is said, it is simple, isn't it? God is absolute and because He is absolute, does He have two different ideas or just one? Absolutely one ideal. That is a logical conclusion.

What is the completion of the ideal of creation? We can take it to the next step and say it is the completion of the four position foundation. What is the completion of the four position foundation? It can be explained by saying it is the completion of the ideal of love. By accomplishing the four position foundation, love is completed. True love, of course. It is all-inclusive. We have everything important there.

We must understand the ideal of creation and then we can come to know that the ideal of creation is to establish the four position foundation. The four position foundation is to create True Love. Centering on these main ideas is all important. We must understand all the descriptions and all the relation-

ships of creation. The amazing fact is that the Unification Church has achieved these. All of the thinking, teaching and action of the Unification Church is founded on these consistent lines: True Love, the four position foundation and the ideal of creation.

First, we perfect heaven on earth and accordingly, later on, the accomplishment of the kingdom of heaven in spirit world will come about automatically. Once we get hold of God's True Love, then wherever we may travel, God is connected. It is not a conceptual teaching at all. Even though it begins from a concept, it is reality. If you open up your spiritual eyes, you can go ask a big tree, "What is your purpose in life? Why do you exist? Why do you breathe?" It will tell you, "I exist for the sake of love." What about a big rock which isn't even alive, and belongs to the mineral kingdom? It, too, would answer you, "I exist for the sake of love." Even in the atomic kingdom, electrons and neutrons would answer the same way. There is no way of denying it. This is the reason why all things are in pairs: it is for love.

Where does the true, basic concept of the universe come from? True Love. True Love was the beginning. Because of True Love and starting from True Love, the whole world came into being. We can even go so far as to say that God came into existence for the sake of love. If there was no love, then God, too, would have no purpose in existing. Before we even think about the universe, we can think of True Love. True Love was there in the very beginning. Before we understand more deeply about True Love, we can see the male and female or subject and object concept in all things. Every existence has that dual characteristic. Observe more carefully and try to find one exception. You will find none.

Here is the situation with a husband and a wife. As soon as their eyes meet and they are attracted to each other, nothing can stop them. All five senses will meet each other and nothing can stop them. They can go into fire, water, anywhere. That is the power of love. You cannot convert that into money. No matter how much she may have, even millions or billions worth of property or money, once she is in love then all things don't matter anymore. No matter what happens, God is filled with joy and laughing at the sight of this. That is how we feel, too.

God invests and forgets, invests and forgets, all too willingly and happily, all because of love. Otherwise, He couldn't do it. For the man of love, the more he adds to the love pond, the more happy he becomes. He becomes happier and happier and later he will fly. He will cruise the universe like a world of stars. When you go to embrace a star, it will start dancing and God will also dance.

This is the power of love.

Let's say a grammar school child, a boy or girl receives a diamond. It is a big hunk of diamond, but he doesn't yet know what it is or what value it has. That is the problem, you see. If you pay the tuition, if you work hard and real-



ly experience the pain of dying, then you know it is a diamond. So how can we understand this? There is only one way as Father sees it, and that is to suffer. Sacrifice and suffer: nobody likes it, just as no student likes to study.

The power of love can even purchase, even buy or sell a nation. It is so powerful. You have heard of political marriages, haven't you? Who was it in the British royal family who forsook the throne for marriage? King Edward. And what was the lady's name? (Wallace Simpson.)

Have you already noticed, "Hey

something is strange in the Unification Church, something is different"? You might not say something is wrong, but something is different. No other church ever talks about love so much as the topic of a sermon. It becomes a very legitimate statement that anyone or any minister whose sermon centers on love and makes everybody elated, happy and laughing, would become the source of peace and happiness. This is true not only for the religious sermon, but any other kind of teaching.

When it centers on love, it can be a source of peace. Peace comes from that. The politicians, philosophers, economists, and people from all different walks of life would come and join in one topic together, which is the topic of love, because that is the root of their lives.

Until now, we have heard many things about love, but we never heard about love for the sake of other people. Now people say, "Love me." They want to draw love from another person. They even teach how to attract love from others, but that is not what we are talking about. How to give love is what we are talking about. That is what makes it different. All these divided things now move toward being united because of this teaching and the knowledge of how to love for the sake of others.

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CHURCH CALENDAR



DECEMBER 1993

- 1 Jin Whi Nim's 30th Birthday
- Shin Young Nim's 7th Birthday
- 6 Heung Jin Nim's 27th Birthday
- 22 35 Couples' Blessing (Belvedere, '76)



JANUARY 1994

- 1 27th GOD'S DAY
- 2 11th Day of the Victory of Love
- 4 Un Jin Nim's 26th birthday
- 7 Blessing of Hyo Jin Nim & Nan Sook Nim (1982)
- 10 Blessing of Kook Jin Nim & Soon Ju Nim (1989)
- 11 Blessing 72 Couples of the 2nd Generation (1989)
- 12 Blessing 1,275 Couples (1989)
- 13 Shin Choon Nim's birthday
- 14 Hyo Jin Nim's 32nd birthday
- 22 Ye Jin Nim's 33rd birthday
- 30 Shin Yul Nim's 1st birthday

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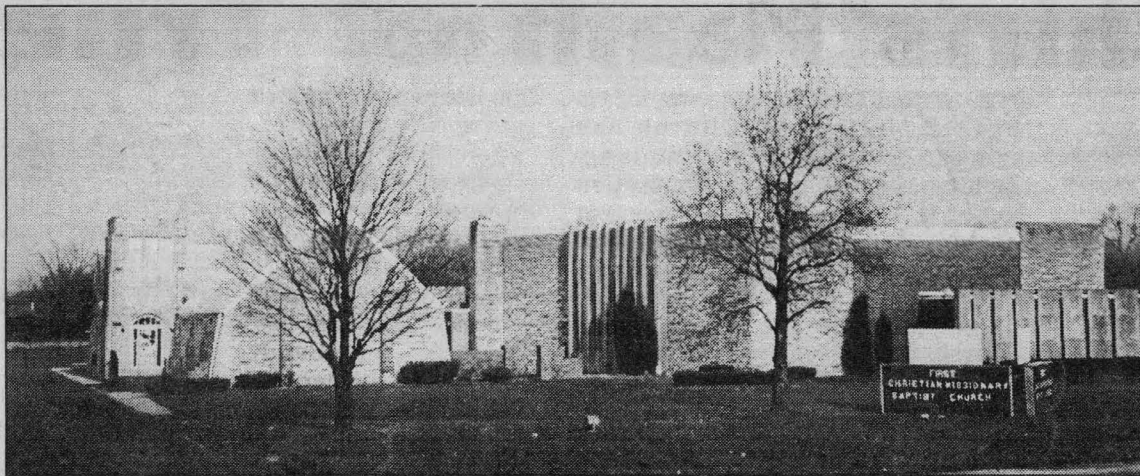
event. One particular minister was moved to bring over 100 members of his congregation to hear True Mother speak. This minister was Rev. Roach, pastor of the First Christian Missionary Baptist Church. We could never have imagined this kind of miracle taking place and can attest to the incredible spiritual foundation created by True Parents through their speaking tour.

Added to this foundation was the work of Region Five's Director Rev. Jong Bok Hong and Unification preacher Rev. Purnell Spicer. Through their decade long effort to teach the Divine Principle in other churches they have built a strong foundation in Region 5. Many churches are inviting Rev. Spicer to hold revivals in their churches and he has become well known in the ministerial inner circles.

After preaching in Rev. Roach's church Rev. Spicer asked him to host Hyo Jin Nim's speech. After hearing True Mother and coming to know Rev. Spicer, Rev. Roach was both excited and honored to host the speech.

Hyo Jin Nim's Arrival

Before we knew it Hyo Jin Nim and Nan Sook Nim had arrived. The anticipation was intense. It was a first for us. During a short visit to the Unification Church, Hyo Jin Nim asked questions about the church and shared briefly about his work at the Manhattan Center while



The First Christian Baptist Church where Hyo Jin Nim spoke.

Nan Sook Nim delighted the children by sharing cookies and her beautiful smile with all of them.

Finally the moment had come as we all departed for the First Christian Missionary Baptist Church. Knowing the unspeakable content of God's heart we all held great anticipation as to how Hyo Jin Nim and True Parents mes-

sage would be received. What a beautiful surprise we were in for!

The spirit of the church was so high. The heart of attendance they have towards God's spokesperson is wonderful. The Baptists really honor their ministers.

The Mothers of the Church all dressed in white and surrounded the

seating area of Nan Sook Nim to create a wall of spiritual and physical protection.

Our hearts were moved by their love and attendance. Hyo Jin Nim was warmly introduced to the congregation by our brother Rev. Spicer. The address began, however, the familiar "Ladies and Gentlemen" was not heard. Instead, we heard from Hyo Jin Nim "Brothers and Sisters!" Yes, we were gathered together, Baptists, Unificationists, as well as Ministers and their congregations from several other churches, all as brothers and sisters. It was a heart felt moment bringing joy to God's heart.

Proclamation

The speech was listened to intent-

ly, Rev. Roach himself taking detailed notes. Hyo Jin Nim was very expressive and sensitive. Were there was a proclamation of True Parents and our church he spoke gently with deep humility. When he spoke of God's original ideal, the fall and illicit love, he spoke with great passion and conviction. In this way the congregation became one in heart with him.

Finally, when Hyo Jin Nim announced the establishment of the first True Family, the fulfillment of the "Tree of Life," the congregation responded with a standing ovation. In that moment we saw the reality of True Parents claim that the spiritual walls that have separated God's people are gone. It is only the walls within our own hearts that hold us back. The event ended with a warm embrace between Hyo Jin Nim and Rev. Roach and Nan Sook Nim and Mrs. Roach.

The joy that came to Indianapolis was great. Hyo Jin Nim was excited and optimistic. With his contagious character we

were all left with that same optimism and excitement about the future.

It was our first time to personally meet Hyo Jin Nim and Nan Sook Nim. What an inspiration they were. Hyo Jin Nim's vision for the future is nothing less than awesome. We could sense the rock solid conviction behind his vision and know the future will be God's and His Kingdom.

We hope Indiana will hold a special place in Hyo Jin Nim's heart for being the first city in the 40 speech American tour. ♦

MR. HYO JIN MOON

Mr. Hyo Jin Moon is Reverend and Mrs. Moon's second child and eldest son.

Mr. Moon, while a student at Columbia University in 1985 became an instrumental leader in the Collegiate Association for the Research of Principles, a worldwide organization of students dedicated to the creation of God-centered leadership for the 21st-century. As the current International President of CARP, he has spoken on college campuses throughout the world on various political and moral issues.

Among CARP's many accomplishments is the World Student Convention that was held in Berlin in September, 1988. Standing on the Berlin Wall, Mr. Moon publicly called upon the young people of Europe to do the impossible, to tear down the wall of hatred. He also pledged that CARP would work and pray to achieve this goal. Less than a year later, the impossible happened, and CARP was there helping to tear down the Berlin Wall.

Mr. Moon is also President of Manhattan Center Studios, one of New York's premier music and video production facilities. Deeply concerned about the emphasis on sex, drugs, and violence in our mass media, Mr. Moon is working with other artists to create music and television programs that support the ideals of God, family, and true love. An accomplished singer, guitarist, and composer, Mr. Moon has already recorded over 12 rock albums which have been widely distributed in Asia and has made performance tours in America, Japan, and Korea.

As a loving husband and father of four of his own children, Mr. Moon is a living example of his Father and Mother's teachings. He is a constant inspiration to all of us who know him. ♦

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year-old son are involved in this effort, which began October 24 and will continue until December 19.

Here are reports from a number of the cities in the first half of the tour. Reports from the later events, which include Boston University, UC Berkeley, the University of Bridgeport, Harlem and the South Bronx will appear in the January issue. ♦

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UKRAINE

The next day, Nov. 20, we moved to Ukraine. This was another Bulgaria. However, we fought and won a victory there. Originally, we had a nice theater with 1000 seats. Then, the day before the speech, the theater canceled. Instead of giving up, we rented the grand ballroom of the Intourist Hotel where True Mother stayed. Mother spoke to about 500 people. It was incredible to witness how desperately the KGB tried to stop our event.

To begin with, the KGB put a lot of pressure on the theater to cancel our event. And then when they found out that we still planned to hold the speech at the hotel, they challenged us by saying that we had to obtain presidential approval in order to have the speech.

We fought them and ignored their request; then, just before the program began, they tried again to stop the event. Fortunately, a congressman, who had come to introduce Mother at the event, confronted the KGB and called the deputy chief in Kiev. He personally took responsibility for the event. Without the congressman we could not have had the speech there. I felt that God had sent him to protect Mother.

We found out that the Ukraine government recently issued a very strict rule to stop every possible new religious movement in the country. This was particularly because of big trouble about a religious sect called the White Brotherhood, which claims some 150,000 followers mostly in the Ukraine and Russia. Their leader is a 33-year-old woman who has predicted the end of the world. According to her revelation, the world was supposed to end on Nov. 14, 1993. Furthermore, she was

said to have ordered all her followers to gather in front of Saint Sophia Church to kill themselves. While they were actually counting the days till the end, the KGB arrested some 500 sect leaders, including the central figure.

That's why the KGB was even more afraid about our event.

RUSSIA

We chartered a small plane to transport ourselves to Russia. In one short hour, True Mother truly conquered the Kremlin palace!

The great conference hall of the Kremlin is very well known, even to Western people, but even such powerful figures as Margaret Thatcher have not been allowed to speak there. It was the conference hall where all the communist party leaders from all over the country always met to discuss their future. But since the demise of communism, they very seldom use this hall

for any purpose. Since the Russian Orthodox Church is located in the Kremlin, they share the ownership of the entire palace, too.

Russian politicians must work along with the Orthodox Church nowadays, because they need the Orthodox Church's help to get reelected. The KGB also controls the security for the Kremlin palace. There was an incident which took place last year. It was the Rev. Paul Yonggi Cho, the founder of a Pentecostal church in Korea whose congregation numbers over 100,000 people. That is the biggest church in the world in terms of the size of the congregation as a single church. He got permission from Russian officials to hold a revival.

But he made a big mistake by criticizing the Russian Orthodox Church in his speech. On the second day of the revival meeting, the KGB came and

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TRUE FAMILY AMERICAN SPEAKING TOUR

In Jin Nim in Maryland

by Bob Selle—Landover Hills, MD

The excited cries of blessed children rang through the cool autumn air as they distributed fliers house to house advertising the upcoming "True Parents and the Completed Testament Age" speech.

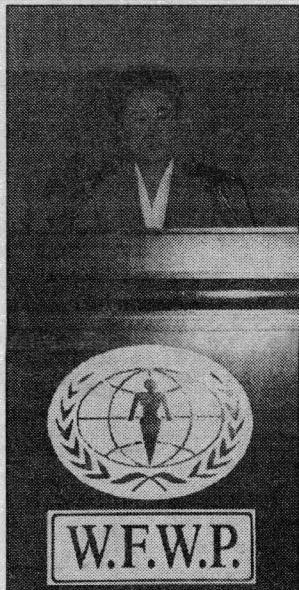
One of the high points in our preparations for the event, which took place on Saturday, November 20 and which was held in the New Hope Academy's main gathering room, was the participation by most members in our area in distributing 10,000 fliers we had printed up. Blessed children as young as five gleefully helped with the task, which involved slipping plastic bags containing the fliers over the doorknob of each house.

Kids brimming with high spirits competed with each other to see who could leaflet the most homes and who could get to the next house first.

Groups of families teamed up to help take care of each other's kids, freeing up older children and adults to do the leafleting. The family of Klaus and Mary Ellen Schick, who have teenagers, even distributed fliers starting at 5 a.m. on some days.

Of course, Unificationist adults did the bulk of the work. It brought together our blessed families and gave us a joyously unifying experience like nothing we had experienced for some time.

(It must be said, however, that the leafleting brought very few guests to the speech. The only real—and many-times-before-proven—guest-getter was personal



DOUGLAS WETZSTEIN

Ms. In Jin Moon was our speaker. Accompanying her to our area were her husband, Jin Sung, and the oldest of their four children, Shin Myung.

The invocation was given by Dr. Cleeretta Smiley, who does Washington-area public affairs for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and who is a longtime friend of the Unification Church.

A letter of welcome was then read by a senior elected official of Prince George's County, in which he stressed that the best way to improve the quality of life in a community is to improve the God-centeredness of the community members.

After Yoshimi Toyama gave an operatic rendition of Handel's *Bright Ceraphim*, the video Reverend Moon's *Life* was shown.

Then Angelika Selle, as a representative of the West Lanham Hills/Landover Hills Unifica-

tion Church, introduced the keynote speaker. Ms. Moon's delivery imparted to the words of the speech a new dignity and power that were altogether inspiring. After she concluded, a special plaque was presented to her by Sandy Schuhart, an elder sister who is a member of the 43 Couple Blessing. The plaque not only bore an inscribed brass plate but was decorated with two commemorative one-ounce silver medallions that had been routed into the wood. The coins were specially prepared by Doug Wetzstein, with the Unification Church symbol on one side and the words "True Parents and the Completed Testament Age" and "1993" on the other.

After an electrifying Call to Action by Joy Morrow (and following a cake-cutting and three manseis), In Jin Nim introduced Jin Sung Nim to the assembled Unificationists. He then gave a vigorous talk that urged us to find just one new Church member every six months. He said that if all members around the world were able to accomplish this the Church would enjoy geometric growth—that is, growth that is slow at first but then increasingly rapid and dramatic.

He also brought us all very close in heart to the True Family by describing the host of activities and the 22-hour-a-day schedule the Family members have set for themselves.

We had two full-scale literature tables set up. The tables were crowded with stacks of Divine Principle books, Level 4 books, "A Call to Action" speeches, "Building a World of True Love" booklets, two tracts (one entitled "Where Are You Going When You Die?"

MS. IN JIN MOON

Ms. In Jin Moon is Reverend and Mrs. Moon's second daughter and third eldest child.

In 1984, when her father was unjustly imprisoned by the U.S. government, Ms. Moon joined with several members of the United States Congress, as well as leaders from the Civil Rights Movement and other religious organizations to speak out for religious liberty in America. At the age of 18, she gave a moving address to a capacity crowd at Washington, D.C.'s historic Constitution Hall conveying how her father continued to love and pray for America even while in prison. Altogether, Ms. Moon spoke in 12 cities across America on behalf of the Coalition for Religious Freedom.

In 1992, she joined her mother, Ms. Hak Ja Han Moon, the International President of the Women's Federation for World Peace to deliver an address on behalf of the Women's Federation in six cities in Korea. The address was entitled, "The Central Role of Women in Creating the Ideal World."

A native of Korea, Ms. Moon graduated with honors from Columbia University with a degree in Political Science and Philosophy. She is currently working towards her doctorate in Government and Religion at Harvard University.

As a loving wife and mother of four children, Ms. Moon is a living example of her Father and Mother's teachings. ♦



In Jin receives flowers from John Joe Magoola, student at New Hope Academy



and the other "How to Improve Your Relationship With God in 3 Minutes"), and a brochure specially made for the event, titled "Doing the Work of God," which dealt with True Parents' many projects they have initiated over the

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In Jin Nim Wins the Heart of the Hispanic Community

by Mrs. Marina Falconi

On Oct. 30, 1993 the Hispanic Unification Church, under the leadership of Rev. Esteban Galvan, organized a program with the participation of the second daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Sun Myung Moon, In Jin Moon. She gave the speech, entitled "True Parents and the Completed Testament Age," in Spanish.

I had the joy and privilege of participating as the M.C. of the program, especially inspiring because of the large number of guests (approximately 400) in the audience. The National Headquarters Building chapel, at 4 West 43 Street in Manhattan, was overflowing with standing-room-only—beyond seating capacity.

Rev. Galvan offered a prayer to begin, and afterwards an Ecuadorian musician, Atahualpa Poalasin, performed a selection of Hispanic music on the harp, creating an enthusiastic

and attentive atmosphere.

After the music came the video about the life, work and vision of Rev. and Mrs. Sun Myung Moon.

I felt that this was an essential part of the program, because through this beautiful video, the public can get to know the precious aspects of the founders' lives and works behind the Unification ministry.

The words of introduction by Ambassador Phillip Sanchez were very warm and personal, about the Reverend and Mrs. Moon's family, and especially about In Jin Moon.

At last we came to the awaited moment: In Jin



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Nim's speech. Even though Spanish is not her everyday language, she spoke very clearly with very excellent pronunciation; it was evident that she had made great effort to prepare herself, not only externally but—most importantly—spiritually. The audience was very attentive and heartistically moved by her delivery and involvement.

One more time we could see the dignity of this family manifested through this very mature—though young in years—representative of the True Family. Throughout the whole speech she kept the audience's rapt attention, and moved the hearts of the listeners while

shedding tears in her testimony of how her father was unjustly persecuted and rejected by the Korean Christians and by America, even though God made such a great historical preparation with them. Much enthusiastic applause punctuated the address.

I felt again how serious the age is in which we are living, and at the same time the great hope we can now have because of True Parents' incredible foundation.

Our brother Robert Hall sang a final selection, "Amazing Grace," in both Spanish and English, continuing our program in a high spirit. Everyone was so uplifted by In Jin Nim's offering as they shared dinner after the speech; they made many very positive comments. We felt that our Hispanic Church was elevated to a much higher level. To me this remains an unforgettable experience, being able to participate as an M.C. and sharing this time with the True Children. ♦

TRUE FAMILY AMERICAN SPEAKING TOUR

Un Jin Nim Speaks in Manhattan

by Rev. Wayne B. Miller

On Sunday, November 7, our dear elder sister, Un Jin Nim, proclaiming the message of "True Parents and the Completed Testament Age," spoke to an overflow audience of more than 500 church members and guests, gathered at our church's headquarters chapel at 4 West 43rd St. in New York City. The excitement grew as the chapel was filled and those attending were escorted to several overflow rooms where they could watch the program on closed-circuit monitors.

This event, part of the 40-city speaking tour by members of the True Family, was hosted by the Unification Church and WFWP of Manhattan. The MC, our Church's national president, Dr. James Baughman, did an admirable job in helping to prepare the audience for the keynote address by referring to the tragic social and moral confusion and conflict which are presently destroying and debilitating America and the world. He then asked the audience to listen sincerely to the message and proposed solutions which they were about to hear.

To uplift the hearts of the audience, Dr. Baughman was assisted in his work by the lovely voices of Mr. Raoul Joseph and Mrs. Miyuki Harley from the Manhattan Center Studios, who provided musical offerings, including two pieces written by New York City Symphony Conductor, Mr. David Eaton.

The center-piece and high point of this event, of course, was the most eloquent and moving speech delivered by Un Jin Nim. Although this was only her second opportunity to speak in public, she firmly held the audience's attention with the clarity

of her presentation and deeply moved their hearts with her tears.

At several points in the speech, especially when speaking of the incredibly unjust persecution of our True Father, Un Jin Nim had to pause to wipe the tears from her eyes.

Those who had



seen our True

Mother deliver this same speech all agreed that Un Jin Nim truly resembled our True Mother in heart as well as in her inspiring elegance. At this Manhattan event, and in all the other speeches delivered by the True Children, the guests who have never seen the True Family before are all profoundly moved and amazed at the love, devotion, and passionate heart-connection that the True Children have to our True Parents.

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In addition to the witnessing opportunities afforded by this speaking tour, another great benefit has been the opportunity for brothers and sisters of many different departments and organizations to work closely together in directly serving and supporting the True

Family.

For the November 7th speech, several members from Manhattan Church, WFWP, the Manhattan Center, the other district churches in New York, local and national CARP, the Headquarters witnessing team, Japanese church, members working in businesses, KEA, and members of the International Religious Foundation all worked together very intensely and with great cooperation and coordination under the direction of Rev. Zin Moon Kim, our national advisor, along with Dr. Baughman, Dr. Tyler Hendricks, our Church's national Vice-president, and Rev. Wayne B. Miller, Pastor of Manhattan Church.

This speech as well as other speeches in the New York area, could not have been accomplished without these brothers as well as representatives of the WFWP, especially, Mrs. Yoko Kobayashi, Mrs. Debby Gullery, and Mrs. Naomi Flowers.

Numerous individuals invested tremendous heart and effort to make this event a great success. In light of this, brothers and sisters were greatly inspired and moved not only by Un Jin Nim's heart and love, but also by her parting words. As she prepared to leave Headquarters after the speech, our elder sister said

that she felt that the reason she was able to shed so many tears during the speech was because of all the unity and tears of brothers and sisters who were there in the

MS. UN JIN MOON

Ms. Un Jin Moon is Reverend and Mrs. Moon's third daughter and fifth eldest child.

Ms. Moon is a highly acclaimed equestrian show jumper. She possesses all the qualities of an outstanding athlete: skill, courage, discipline, and commitment. In 1988, she competed in the Seoul Olympics as one of the youngest members of the Korean Equestrian Team. After four more years of intensive training, she went on to compete in the 1992 Olympics in Barcelona, Spain as the Captain of the Korean Team. She is currently in training for the 1996 Olympics that will be held in Atlanta, Georgia.

True to the classical ideal of a sound mind and body, Ms. Moon, a native of Korea, achieved her athletic accomplishments while maintaining a rigorous academic schedule at Mount Holyoke College. She will graduate as an honor student this fall with a degree in history and fine arts and plans to attend law school next year. She is also the manager and head trainer of Deerpark Equestrian Center, one of the premier indoor show jumping arenas and horse training facilities in the United States.

As a loving wife and mother of a beautiful daughter, Ms. Moon is a living example of her Father and Mother's teachings. ♦

Chapel.

Perhaps we do not deserve her praise, but certainly we should strive to fulfill such words. This speaking tour seems to be a great blessing and opportunity from heaven, giving us the opportunity to unite and work together, overcoming the departmentalism which crippled Christianity and often stifles our own Unification activities.

It is the feeling of many brothers and sisters in the New York area that we should not see this speaking tour simply as one more event, but as a beginning point to firmly unite our church and work together more than ever to proclaim the message of True Parents and the Completed Testament Age. ♦

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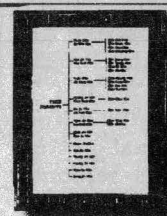
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chased everyone out of the hall. Therefore, when we applied for use of the Kremlin palace, they refused five times to give us the permit. Finally we petitioned the KGB, the Russian Orthodox Church and President Yeltsin. None of them wanted to take responsibility. But our never-give-up spirit opened their hearts. Ultimately, five responsible people—the chief of staff for the president, the director of presidential security, a KGB deputy and representatives from the Russian Orthodox Church—all met together to approve our use of the Great Hall in the Kremlin palace.

This final approval came on Nov. 18, and Mother spoke here on Nov. 21. We had only three days to mobilize 7000 people—and we did! Mother won a providential victory in Moscow.

The Great Hall was so beautiful and

well prepared. Each chair had built-in earphones for simultaneous translation. The prima donna of the Bolshoi Opera sang, and a very famous poet recited a few poems for the program before Mother's speech. On the gigantic stage was a big podium and 39 international flags. The chairs were red and the podium was purple; Mother entered onto the stage, marching up to the podium in a heavenly light-blue suit. She appeared so elegant, so beautiful, and with so much dignity that everyone gave her a standing ovation as a welcome.

With her bright and beautiful smile, Mother took the podium, and her gaze spanned the entire audience. And then through her speech, the Holy Spirit poured forth from her heart, instantly overwhelming the entire room. I was sitting in the front row with Reverend Kwak. I felt a ring of bright shining light was encircling Mother. At one point it was so bright that I could not recognize

Mother's face. I had to rub my eyes several times to regain my sight. I'm very sure that Heung Jin Nim, Grandmother Hong and many other blessed members were there to protect Mother and to open the hearts of the audience.

BELARUS

After the victory in Moscow, Mother flew to Belarus, a country that has about 11 million people and where the communist control is still very strong. But, surprisingly unlike Bulgaria, the first lady of Belarus came to the airport to receive True Mother. She brought five limousines to transport everyone. She also presented a flower bouquet to Mother at the airport. It was

And then through her speech, the Holy Spirit poured forth from her heart, instantly overwhelming the entire room.

an exciting moment! We were all treated as guests of state. Police patrols cars with sirens escorted our motorcade to the hotel for guests of state.

The first lady led Mother's car all the way to the hotel. She also came to Mother's speech in the evening. Moreover, she presented a congratulatory bouquet of flowers to Mother at the conclusion of the speech. She seemed to me like Mother's younger sister. She is a very sweet and pure lady! Even this morning, she came to greet Mother at the hotel. They spent about an hour together discussing many things.

It turned out that she had attended our WFWP seminars last year in Germany. She and her husband also participated in our cultural festival in Seoul, in August 1992. Both the president and the first lady respect True Parents very highly.

...to be continued ♦

TRUE FAMILY AMERICAN SPEAKING TOUR

Hyun Jin Nim in Virginia

by Mike Thornton—Alexandria, VA

What a total inspiration the True Children are! We were so blessed in Alexandria/Arlington, Virginia on Nov. 6 to have Hyun Jin Nim and Jun Sook Nim come to the Old Colony Inn to speak to over 200 guests and family members.

We knew it would be an event to remember, but had no realization of how momentous it would be. Hyun Jin Nim delivered the speech *True Parents and the Completed Testament Age* with authority, enthusiasm and love.

He mentioned later how difficult it is to read through such an important message and how he admired True Mother for her tremendous work going on during her world tour.

After he spoke we had the added privilege of a presentation by Alexandria Vice Mayor Bill Cleveland and his lovely wife Ruth of a plaque to Hyun Jin Nim and Jun Sook Nim. The Clevelands came to the victory celebration and



MICHAEL J. THORNTON

pledged their support to True Parents' work in Virginia.

Hyun Jin Nim heartfully accepted their words and shared cake with them.

Community leaders Mike Thornton and Carl Hagen orchestrated the evening.

Later in the hotel suite, Rev. Chong Jik Woo, Pastor Kevin

MR. HYUN JIN MOON

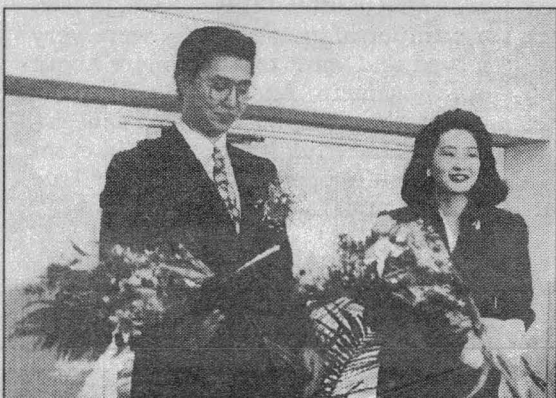
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True to the classical ideal of a sound mind and body, Mr. Moon, a native of Korea, achieved his athletic accomplishments while maintaining a rigorous academic course at Columbia University.

Mr. Moon is also the President of Han Corporation, one of the fastest growing companies in America. According to the most recent issue of *Inc. Magazine*, Han Corp. was the 9th fastest growing company in America with a sales growth of over 7000% since 1988.

As a loving husband and father of three of his own children, Mr. Moon is a living example of his Father and Mother's teachings. ♦



Hyun Jin Nim with Jun Sook Nim; a presentation from Vice-Mayor Bill Cleveland of Alexandria.



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years. We also had a flier ready for each person who came that detailed the neighborhood activities of the Unification Church (Bible studies, Divine Principle studies) and those that centered on the main church in D.C. (Saturday seminars, Sunday services).

Virtually every one of the 36 Unificationist families in our combined communities shouldered some of the responsibility for the event. But the major leadership roles were assumed by the following people:

Angelika Selle was the Chairwoman of the event. She provided overall leadership and kept track of the myriad details that each of the committee heads was pursuing and nailing down.

Larry Moffitt was Program Manager and Emcee. He developed a minute-by-minute program script, worked out all the details for the program (who would go on the stage when, who would speak at which mike, who would carry out the proclamations and letters of welcome, who would present the plaque, etc.), and managed the stage during the program.

Larry was also Chairman of the VIP Committee, which was responsible for asking VIPs to issue proclamations and letters of welcome in honor of the speech. Richard White and Joy Morrow assisted. One proclamation was issued by a local mayor, who proclaimed November 20, 1993, as Women's Federation for World Peace Day and urged citizens to observe the day with appropriate activities. In addition, local elected officials issued five letters of welcome.

Dennis Morrow was in charge of the General Affairs Committee. This entailed acquiring and setting up all of the trappings that would turn the New Hope Academy lunchroom into a

Shin Myung Nim meets Paul Rodriguez, a reporter from the *Washington Times*

sophisticated, hotel-quality speaking hall. That meant getting a stage, drapes for the walls, potted plants, sumptuous chairs for the audience, and tables for refreshments and literature. We were helped in this task by a nearby group of Unificationists (from the Cheverly and Hyattsville neighborhoods of Maryland), who were putting on a "True Parents and the Completed Testament Age" speech just the week before our own. They had to acquire and use much of the same gear for their event. Our two groups wound up developing

a very good chemistry, and we worked together closely in many ways.

The Hospitality Committee, headed up by Angelika Selle and her assistant Concha Egea Marchitelli, was responsible for everything connected with receiving and taking care of In Jin Nim, Jin Sung Nim, and Shin Myung Nim, as well as acquiring flowers, a multi-tiered cake, and gifts. Youn Jeong Quinn and other Korean sisters, under the guidance of Mrs. Joo, who served as an elder adviser for many details about attending the True Family, provided lunch and dinner for our guests. Donnette Magoola and Taeko Moffitt, assisted by Ritsuko Novak and Muriel Baer, worked late hours to prepare the reception room and made sure that every detail was taken care of to ensure the comfort of our guests. Elizabeth Henkin answered the telephone during the crucial morning hours when many changes were called in.

The Head Usher was Johanna Forringer. She assigned all of the ushers and other staff people their respective duties, which included taking care of non-Unificationist guests.

Sandy Schuhart and Elizabeth White organized the refreshment table, which was plentifully stocked with home-made desserts made by our community members.

The Mobilization and Literature Committee was chaired by Bob Selle. His task involved creating and printing all the literature connected with the event and organizing the distribution of the



Rev. Woo with the Sheriff of Prince Georges County

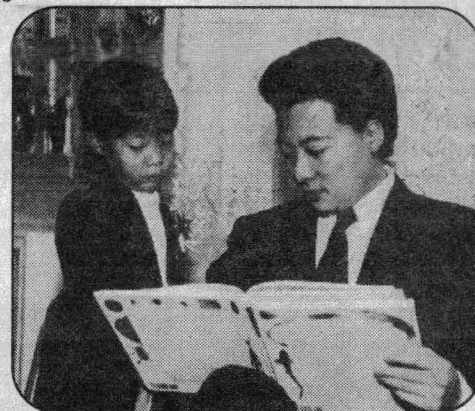
10,000 fliers. The committee also got the word out to Church members to bring their friends and neighbors.

The Budget Committee was staffed by Carol Osborn and Joy Morrow, who

prepared a rough budget and then kept tabs on how much was spent and for what. Jim Osborn was Emcee for the victory celebration. Mim Miller and Richard White staffed the literature tables.

All in all, the physical cooperation and heartistic unity of the members of our communities—

combined with an all-night prayer condition the night before the event—ensured a solid foundation upon which the message of "True Parents and the Completed Testament Age" could be powerfully proclaimed in the neighborhoods of Lanham, New Carrollton, Landover Hills, and West Lanham Hills, Maryland. ♦



Father and son relax before the speech



DOUGLAS WETZSTEIN

TRUE FAMILY AMERICAN SPEAKING TOUR

Kook Jin Nim on Long Island

by Rev. Chen Lawrence Fong

It took almost every member's family in Long Island's district with help from our neighbor, the Queens District members, and the great cooperation within our region. This unity is certainly the key



to victory, making the Long Island event a great success.

It was Kook Jin Nim who spoke in Long Island with all his heart and the quiet support of his wife Soon Ju Nim that graced our gathering. Three hundred attended under the grand chandeliers of the Best Western Hotel's ballroom in Hempstead. It was a beautiful Saturday afternoon, Nov. 20. That day was an historical one for Long Island.

Linda Lee Perry, president of the WFWP Long Island chapter, and I together took on co-leadership for this project. It was to be sponsored by the WFWP of Long Island. We



REV. CHEN FONG

before. With this event we learned to develop confidence in our leadership abilities and to trust Heavenly Father more.

I was able to share with Kook Jin Nim about U.C. L.I. district. I was par-

MR. KOOK JIN MOON

Mr. Kook Jin Moon is Reverend and Mrs. Moon's fourth son and seventh child.

Mr. Moon graduated with honors from Harvard University in 1991 with a degree in Economics. Presently, he is the President of Saello, Inc. an international group that emphasizes research and development of advanced manufacturing technologies, along with a global marketing and distribution network.

Mr. Moon is a living example of his Father and Mother's teachings. He is a loving husband as well as a constant inspiration to all those who know him. ♦

learned to cooperate as we worked together like never

particularly happy about the fact that friendships were made while working with leaders of a few community organizations in my hometown area; they were able to attend this speech. In fact, a number of guests really were very moved and want to know more about our movement. After four years in my hometown, tribal messiahship is beginning to bear fruit. It took such an event to make it happen. Thanks to our True Parents and True Family. ♦

Kwon Jin Nim at Yale

by Kathleen Burton—New Haven, CT

God smiled on Yale University, Sunday, Nov. 14 as Kwon Jin Nim gave his first public address, sharing the message of True Parents and the Completed Testament Age. Even the weather cooperated, and

would be allowed to book a room big enough for the event. I need not have worried; God had prepared Pamela Sims, secretary to the assistant dean of the law school, to smooth our way and be of invaluable help. As it happened, Nov. 14 (the projected date for the speech) was the only Sunday afternoon that the Levinson Auditorium in

brothers and sisters helped to make it possible, but special mention should go to Gerhard Weisinger, who spent many hours in front of a Kinko's computer screen, often until the early hours of the morning—and also to Benedict Suzuki, witnessing to students at a book table outside on the street in the cold all of the last week.

Yale itself is in downtown New Haven, a city plagued by gangs, drugs and poverty, and the campus is divided by the city streets. Yet stepping off the street into the university is like stepping into another world. Even the continual noise of the traffic is muted in its courtyards.

Yale is a place of carved stonework and wood paneling evocative of a former age, and it has an air of influence and power (Presidents Bush and Clinton both graduated from Yale Law School).

It was a fitting place for a son of our True Parents to speak. Kwon Jin Nim's great presence at the podium projected the message with intensity and emotion. The audience was moved by his visible emotion when talking about his

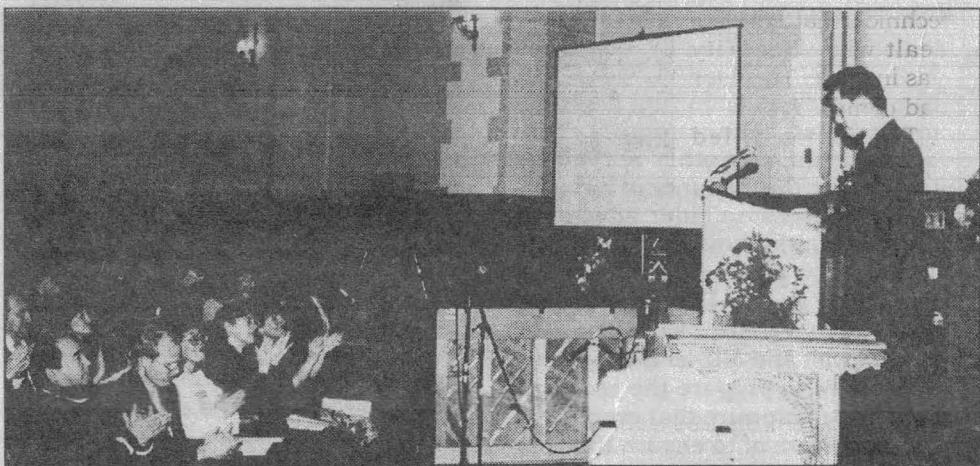
MR. KWON JIN MOON

Mr. Kwon Jin Moon is Reverend and Mrs. Moon's eighth child and fifth son.

Mr. Moon is the first child in Rev. and Mrs. Moon's family to be born in this country. They are quite proud to have an American son and have often encouraged him to be a responsible young American.

Mr. Moon graduated from Lawrence Academy in Massachusetts last spring and is now a freshman at Boston University. In high school, he was on the varsity football and wrestling teams as well as a soloist in the school's chorus. As a senior last year, Mr. Moon was well known and respected for his devotion to a God-centered way of life.

As a loving son, Mr. Moon is a living example of his Father and Mother's teachings. ♦



ANGUS ANDERSON

was a sunny 68 degrees. For my spouse and myself, this event was almost like a miracle.

We have been a very small but constant presence at Yale since our graduation from UTS in 1990. God blessed us in making it possible to become part of Yale Religious Ministries, the recognized umbrella organization for all the religious ministries on campus (political correctness can have its advantages!). Then in 1992 we were fortunate to have two graduate students in the history department join.

Working on campus, however, has proven to be quite difficult. So the news about True Children's 40-city tour was like an answer to a prayer, when we heard that one speech was scheduled for New Haven, and "Could we possibly do it at Yale?"

After three years at Yale, I was still not sure if we

the law school was available. So began three weeks of hard work.

Our Connecticut family came together under Ken Murray, our state leader, who worked so hard, with little sleep, that he sometimes forgot where he was. The last two days he seemed to have a telephone permanently glued to his right ear. So many



DOUG BURTON



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father's course. Finally, after the speech, Young Jin Nim also came onto the stage and embraced his brother. At that point everyone in the room could feel the intensity of love experienced in the True Family as expressed through these two brothers' embrace. It was a very powerful and moving moment, one that draws us closer to True Children.

Almost as a postscript was the fact that during the last week our event had attracted sufficient attention on campus that the Yale Daily News (the campus newspaper) sent a reporter and photographer to the event.

Their article appeared the next day with a good photograph of

Kwon Jin Nim, and a very positive write-up. It is quite a shock to see oneself quoted in print! ♦

Young Jin Nim and Kwon Jin Nim

TRUE FAMILY AMERICAN SPEAKING TOUR

Sun Jin Nim Speaks to Brooklyn

by Clifford F.—Brooklyn, NY.

It is difficult to find the words to describe the phenomenon that hit Brooklyn on Saturday, Nov. 13, 1993. But, as it is stated clearly in the Bible, a little child shall lead them. It was prophesied a few weeks earlier at Belvedere that Sun Jin Moon would speak in Brooklyn, and that the venue would be none other than the much esteemed Anglican Episcopal Church of Brooklyn on Bushwick Avenue, almost on the border of Bedford-Stuyvesant and Bushwick.

We in Brooklyn all marveled that this young daughter of True Parents would speak to the Christians and other religious groups of the borough. All the center members and local Tribal Messiahs witnessed fervently centering on our district leaders, John and Christine Kung. There was a certain air of disbelief, but from somewhere deep within, from some hidden reservoir of faith, members managed to draw the energy and determination to bring guests to the event. The disciples racked their brains trying to find the ultimate key to bringing victory for the forthcoming event. Which method would be best for bringing guests? How could we guarantee that they would attend? The goal was 500, a lot less than the number fed by Jesus while he lectured on the mountain.

Brooklyn was on fire. This was the most significant event in the history of Brooklyn, apart from Father's brief stop at a halfway house not far from the area of Brooklyn where Sun Jin Nim's speech was to be held. As usual, we turned to the highways and byways. We called the accountants and the teachers, the students and the doctors and nurses. We stormed the houses and the high-rises, and we eventually found a few prepared ones. Invitations were sent out by the dozen. The phones buzzed constantly. Could we pull it off? The last thing we wanted was for Sun Jin Nim to be faced with empty seats.

The Anglican Episcopal Church at 966 Bushwick Avenue was a picturesque building with its stained glass windows and many carvings and curved arches. It was obviously the most dominating structure on all of Bushwick Avenue, and the only place fitting to receive a True Child. Yet, for all its elegance, it was not deemed fit to receive Sun Jin Nim until members had been through the entire complex with a fine tooth comb.

The members descended on the building like a scourge. The entire place was turned upside down from top to bottom.

Father Armstrong, a native of Barbados, who was kind enough to let us use his facility, didn't know what hit him.

He watched dumbfounded as his whole edifice was transformed before his very eyes. Many times he appeared disoriented as he struggled to find the whereabouts of his working materials. His telephone was often hidden underneath



YASU HIRO HORI

a mountain of papers, and the sisters and brothers completely rearranged his rectory to form a royal reception area for Sun Jin Nim. The plush red carpeting was definitely fit for royalty.

There was a total investment of love and reverence on the part of the sisters as they prepared to receive Sun Jin Nim. Each item was gone over lovingly. Special attention was paid to

each detail. I overheard Father Armstrong several times as he commented that he couldn't recognize his own place. This was magnified on the day of the event when, as I mopped the floor of the banquet area, I overheard an elder mutter matter-of-factly, under his breath to another elder, in an obviously irate tone, and I quote, "Father Armstrong has definitely gone too far this time."

Father Armstrong, however, was quite cool about the whole affair, and obviously enjoyed the buzz of activity around him. He was also pleased by the diversity of nationalities as we worked to prepare the place. He often commented that he had never seen anything quite like it. A very solid relationship was built. Through the preparation for the event, we could also serve him directly by giving the whole complex a facelift. Father's vision was in full bloom. Saturday morning dawned bright and sunny.

Some members returned from the Saturday night blitz, showered and prepared to face the day. A so-called SWAT team departed from the main center

in Brooklyn at 7:30am to deal with last-minute preparations. Members dialed frantically, making last-minute confirmations while others made last-minute visits. Rides were provided wherever possible to transport guests to the event.

Somehow, all the cleaning—according to members' testimonies after the event—served as internal preparation to receive the True Family in Brooklyn.

When one swept the floor, it was with the thought or attitude that a member of the True Family might walk on this spot. Obviously, the preparation we make for the True Family should surpass that made for the highest head of state of any royal family. Hopefully, that standard of heart, and more, was achieved internally and externally in Brooklyn as the members rose to the occasion.

As the hour approached, the banquet hall gradually filled up and the early guests indulged in the refreshments provided while upstairs in the main hall the last technical matters were dealt with. Security was in place. The hour had come.

The pews filled up—first the middle, then the wings—with both members and invited guests. To date there has been a record of 79 guests invited by Brooklyn members and Tribal Messiahs actually attending the speech. While considerably less than our goal, this figure is reputed to be one of the best figures of attendance for invited guests to True Children's speeches thus far. The suggested contribution to this WFWP-sponsored event was \$5. Guests also gave generously to support the WFWP when the offering plates were passed.

In terms of describing the actual event of Sun Jin Nim's coming, it is quite difficult. It was a totally different spiritual world that descended on Brooklyn that afternoon. It was a bright and brilliant spiritual world. Everything went smoothly. Sun Jin Nim spoke, and the audience listened attentively. One invited guest remarked that he was moved to tears by Sun Jin Nim's sincerity and depth of heart. It showed clearly that here was a True Child of our True Parents.

Here was a True Child of whom any Parent would be proud. We can only thank God, our True Parents and True Children for allowing us this opportu-

MS. SUN JIN MOON

Ms. Sun Jin Moon is Reverend and Mrs. Moon's fourth daughter and ninth child.

Ms. Moon is the first daughter in Rev. and Mrs. Moon's family to be born in this country. They are quite proud to have an American daughter and have often encouraged her to be a responsible young American.

This past spring, Ms. Moon was accepted into the Harvard University Program for Outstanding High School Students. This program invites a small group of highly motivated high school students to take two college level courses at Harvard. Currently, Ms. Moon is a senior at Buckingham, Brown, & Nichols in Cambridge, Massachusetts where she is well known and respected for her devotion to a God-centered way of life.

As a loving daughter, Ms. Moon is a living example of her Father and Mother's teachings. ♦

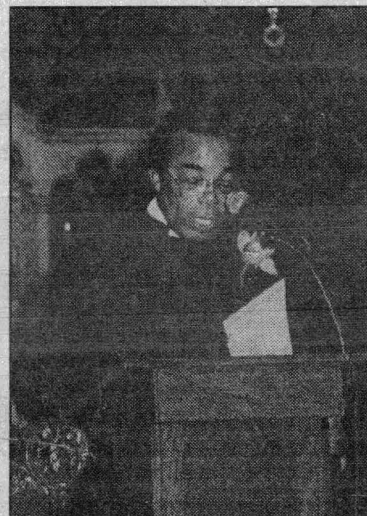
nity to experience True Love. I sincerely hope that we can follow in their footsteps and deliver this speech ourselves, allowing our brothers and sisters to experience rebirth.

Another guest testified how much he was moved by Sun Jin Nim's heartistic presentation. He had also attended Father's speech, but through Sun Jin Nim's speech he was able to experience a new level of heart. Our gratitude goes to Sun Jin Nim. She has touched our lives forever.

It wasn't just a religious experience—racial and cultural barriers were also crossed this day. All of Brooklyn was alight with the light of True Parents. By their fruits you shall know them. A significant landmark was achieved on this day. The grandmothers and grandfathers—as well as the young—who attended all experienced rebirth. Let us hasten to create one global family centered on True Parents. This great

day will be recorded forever in the history of Brooklyn and the world as Sun Jin Nim's day. Brooklyn will never be the same again, but will continue to grow toward purity. ♦

Here was a True Child of whom any Parent would be proud.



TRUE FAMILY AMERICAN SPEAKING TOUR

Nan Sook Nim in N. California

by Bento Leal—Hayward, CA

Nan Sook Moon, the wife of Hyo Jin Moon, gave the public speech entitled "True Parents and the Completed Testament Age" at the Women's Federation for World Peace event on Saturday night, Nov. 6, 1993, at Mohr Faith Baptist Church in Hayward, California, a suburb of San Francisco. This speech was the first one given by the True Children and their spouses in the Northern California series of five speeches on consecutive weekends during November and December. Before a capacity audience of 300, Mrs. Moon spoke fervently of the

commitment and efforts of the first True Family to save America through True Love. In appreciation for the efforts of Hyo Jin and Nan Sook Moon, the local ICC alumni presented them with a handsome engraved plaque during the proceedings.

The local tribes for Hayward, San Lorenzo and Fremont were responsible

for the program, site preparation and the mobilization of guests. Through a team effort of Bay Area members, the speech was a success. Representative members, centering on

Region 10 Director Rev. Sung San Lee, were able to share with a very gracious Nan Sook Nim both their hearts and experiences over dinner, breakfast and celebration-cake cutting at Father's well-prepared house in nearby Berkeley. All felt the spirit of the True Parents through attending her.

We all wished she were

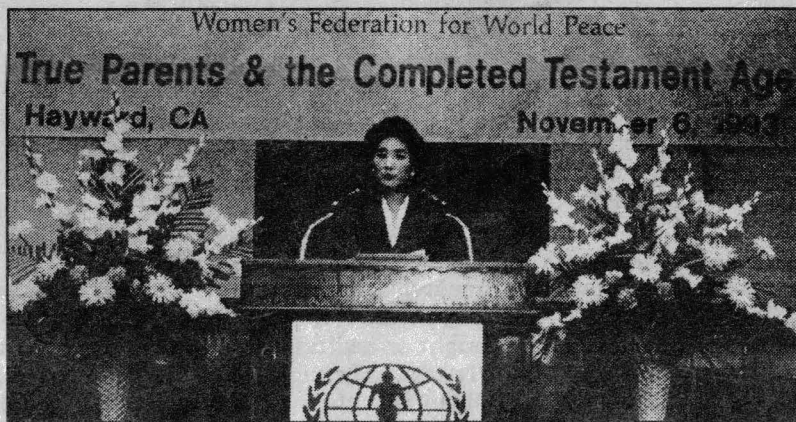
MS. NAN SOOK HONG MOON

Ms. Nan Sook Hong Moon is one of Reverend and Mrs. Moon's daughter-in-laws.

A native of Korea, Ms. Moon graduated with honors from Columbia University with a degree in Art History. She is currently a graduate student at the Unification Theological Seminary.

In 1992, she joined her mother, Ms. Hak Ja Han Moon, the International President of the Women's Federation for World Peace to deliver an address on behalf of the Women's Federation in four cities in Korea. The address was entitled, "The Central Role of Women in Creating the Ideal World."

As a loving wife and mother of four children, Ms. Moon is a living example of Reverend and Mrs. Moon's teachings. ♦



KEVIN THOMSON

Jin Sung Nim in Bethesda, MD

by Keith Cooperrider and William Selig

The Bethesda, Rockville and Gaithersburg Communities had the blessing of hosting the first of eight speeches to be given by the True Children in the Washington, D.C. metro area. The event was to expand the declaration of "True Parents and the Completed Testament Age" to the community level.

Although being first meant that we had a shorter time to prepare, the flip side is that we could enjoy the later events with the spotlight having already passed on to the other communities.

Details, Details, Details

We were very lucky to have had a successful pattern in our region for tours earlier this year. Father spoke in Washington and Mother spoke in Baltimore and later at the historic Capitol Hill event. However, even though we could inherit much from the previous events, this one certainly had its unique character as well.

To prepare for the coming of the True Children, the regional director, Rev. Chong Jik Woo, and Rev. Kevin McCarthy, the D.C. pastor, provided able leadership.

Two communities were combined: northern and southern Montgomery County. As everyone pitched into help, it seemed like we had to meet every night to hash out more important details. Everything from literature to flowers was prepared with great care in anticipation of the coming of the True Children.

Since we did not know who was

going to speak until just a few days before the event, we had all kinds of suggestions as to how to identify the speaker. Although Pastor McCarthy jokingly suggested billing the speaker as *Jin Nim Moon*, eventually, we solved the problem by saying "the sons and daughters of Reverend and Mrs. Moon."

October 30th Event



PETER HOLDEN

The program was a great success with a standing room only crowd of about 300 friends and guests. Dr. Donald N. Sills of the World Conference of Mayors gave the invocation, and beautiful musical

selections were presented by Patsy Casino and Yoshimi Toyama.

Keith Cooperrider, MC and community director in southern Montgomery county, read several letters of welcome, including one from a state delegate who had attended one of our movement's

events but had lost contact with us. Addressed to Rev. and Mrs.

Moon, he wrote:

"As a 1987 participant and graduate of the American Leadership Conference, I certainly understand the important work with which your

To the enthusiastic audience, Jin Sung Nim confidently declared, "It is my great privilege to announce the establishment of the first completed True Family!"

organization has been affiliated in promoting world peace and democracy. As I look back upon that conference of only six years ago, I am struck first and foremost by the impressive range of enormous

progress and change that has occurred throughout the world since that time. Communism is dramatically diminished and retreating, the cold war is on the wane and responsible leaders of nations everywhere are finally working cooperatively to promote human rights and individualism.

"Congratulations to you and your organization for all you have accomplished in promoting world peace, and best wishes to you in your continued efforts to insure for all of the people on the earth the fundamental and inalienable freedoms with which they have been endowed by the Creator.

We received other very supportive letters from County Councilmembers, and the Council President, who wrote:

"Loving and reverent families are indeed the building blocks for a world community of peace and stability. I commend the Montgomery County Chapter of the Women's Federation for World Peace for their dedication to this goal."

Jin Sung Moon

After a warm introduction by Michael Amrine, the community leader in northern Montgomery county, Jin Sung Nim gave a very impressive and solid message. From the minute he

MR. JIN SUNG PARK MOON

Mr. Jin Sung Park Moon is one of Reverend and Mrs. Moon's son-in-laws.

Mr. Moon graduated with honors from the Wharton School of Finance at the University of Pennsylvania in 1984. He went on to graduate from Harvard Law School and is currently finishing his doctorate in Financial Economics at Columbia University. He is a Professor of Finance and has taught at Columbia and Long Island Universities as well as at West Point Military Academy. In 1991, he was awarded with the Outstanding Teaching Award from the Columbia Business School.

As a loving husband and father of four children, Mr. Moon is a living example of Reverend and Mrs. Moon's teachings. ♦

began speaking, it was clear that the audience was at ease and truly intent on the content.

"If a family is not centered on God's ideal of love," explained Jin Sung Nim, "there will be conflict among the members of that family. Without God's love as an absolute center, the family will ultimately break down." ... "At this turning point in the history of restoration, a woman in the position of True Mother must prepare the world to receive the True Father."

To the enthusiastic audience, Jin Sung Nim confidently declared, "It is my great privilege to announce the establishment of the first completed True Family!"

The speech was interrupted many times by applause. Afterwards, beautiful floral arrangements were presented to Jin Sung Nim and Kwon Jin Nim by Aileen Hess and Laura Herbers, two blessed teenagers. Dr. Gerald Leighton from a local university presented a plaque to "recognize the sacrifices of Rev. and Mrs. Moon's family in lifting up America and resurrecting the spirit of true love."

Donna Selig, chair of the Montgomery County Chapter of the Women's Federation for World Peace, under



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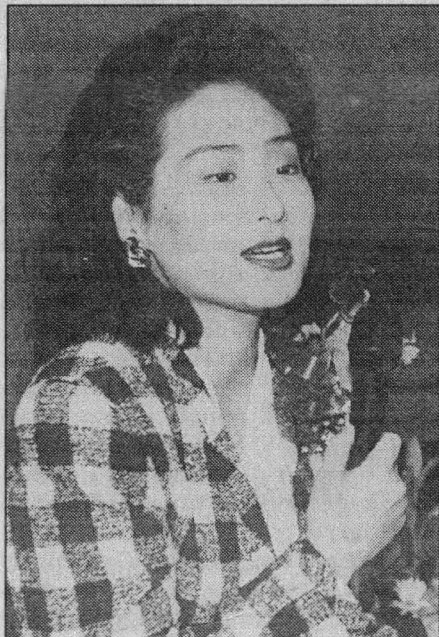
Jun Sook Nim in D.C.

by Ted Agres—Washington, DC

Jun Sook Kwak Moon—in her first public speech—delivered a stirring address before a packed audience of 300 people at the New Hope Academy here on Nov. 13.

Jun Sook Nim's eldest son, Shin Won Nim, sat through the entire program, attentive to his mother's flawless proclamation of "True Parents and the Completed Testament Age."

An atmosphere of quiet dignity was prepared with the help of a ten-member adult choir conducted by Kenny Taylor, choir administrator and musician for the NAACP Youth Choir in Washington, DC. The invocation was delivered by Rev. William P. Johnson, president of the United Christian Ministers Association and associate pastor of the Suitland, Md. Christian Church.



Support and encouragement for the speech—the first of three events held in Prince George's County, Maryland—came in the form of letters of welcome. Among these were letters from Rep. Albert Wynn, U.S. congressman; County Executive Parris Glendening; County Police Chief David Mitchell; County Sheriff James Aluisi; and Town of Cheverly Mayor Larry Beyna.

Rusty Jackson, chair of the United Negro College Fund Advisory Board of the Greater Washington Area, read selections from the welcoming letters. "On behalf of the people of Cheverly, I bid a hearty welcome to all who are participating in the 'True Parent's convention,'" wrote Mayor Beyna. "And I extend a very special welcome to Jun Sook Moon who, I hope, will feel very much at home during her visit to Prince George's County," he added. "It is heartening to know

that you and your fellow members of the Women's Federation have dedicated yourselves to healing some of our society's most serious ills. And what better healing agent than the salve



County Sheriff Aluisi wrote: "I wish to extend my personal welcome to the family of Reverend Sun Myung Moon. In a time when strife and violence seem to plague our cities, counties, states, and nations of the world, the only hope we have is love. I applaud and support the efforts of your organization to promulgate the values of the family and the love of all God's children."

And wrote Rep. Wynn: "I would like

MS. JUN SOOK KWAK MOON

Ms. Jun Sook Kwak Moon is one of Reverend and Mrs. Moon's daughter-in-laws.

A native of Korea, Ms. Moon is an accomplished pianist. She has performed as a soloist with the New York City Symphony on several occasions. Currently, she is finishing her degree in music at the Julliard School of Music in New York City.

As a loving wife and mother of three children, Ms. Moon is a living example of Reverend and Mrs. Moon's teachings. ♦

of familial responsibility and love!"

to commend you for your commitment to promoting family values as a means of healing our society. Your efforts are genuinely appreciated."

After the program was concluded, Jun Sook Nim gave internal guidance to the members, including several dozen Blessed children. "Your purity is most important," she reminded them.

The program was sponsored by the Cheverly, Hyattsville and University Park chapters of the Women's Federation for World Peace.

Josette Shiner, WFWP National Vice

TED AGRES

President, served as emcee. Ted Agres, UC community leader for Cheverly, introduced Jun Sook Nim. Catherine Henseler, UC community leader for Hyattsville, gave the call to action. And Mrs. Maria Agres, Prince George's County president of WFWP, presented Jun Sook Nim with an engraved plaque commemorating this historical event. ♦



Jun Sook Nim speaking to the pupils of New Hope Academy

Soon Joo Nim in Queens

by John Abelseth

The New York City borough of Queens was blessed by the offering of our wonderful elder sister Mrs. Soon Joo Eu Moon, as 300 people, including 70 guests, attended the "True Parents and the Completed Testament Age" speech at the La Guardia Ramada Inn Saturday evening, Nov. 27, 1993.

Hospitality provided by Rev. and Mrs. Chang was supported by Mrs. Kobayashi and Mrs. Tokito, as well as the entire regional WFWP staff headed by Mrs. Debbie Gullery. Their assistance was invaluable and very much appreciated.

Eydie Joseph brought Heaven to our hearts with her beautiful songs.

A deeper relationship of collaboration and support was forged by the cooperation of the Long Island church and the Queens church, and the respective WFWP chapters, by sharing

staff, central responsibilities and the organization of the program. Queens church members had helped with the Long Island program under the leadership of Rev. Chen Fong, and the previous weekend, Long Island members

took significant responsibility for making the Queens event a success.

The keynote address was ably given by Mrs. Moon; her love of True

parents was obvious through her heartistic and tearful sharing of the indemnity course of suffering our Parents have endured their entire lives. The audience was clearly moved by her sincerity and commitment to fulfilling her responsibility.

As our Mother continues to travel at an unbelievable pace throughout the world and the True Family continues our Parents' work through their own 40-city tour here in America, our hearts and prayers go out to the True Family in gratitude for their work and in deep repentance for having accomplished so little through our own efforts. In



Kook Jin Nim & Soon Joo Nim with Dr. Baughman

MS. SOON JOO EU MOON

Ms. Soon Joo Eu Moon is one of Reverend and Mrs. Moon's daughter-in-laws.

A native of Korea, Ms. Moon is a graduate of the Dana Hall School in Massachusetts. Currently, she is a student at New York University pursuing a degree in education.

As a loving wife and daughter-in-law, Ms. Moon is a living example of Reverend and Mrs. Moon's teachings. ♦

Queens we have made a renewed commitment to bringing greater results, especially in witnessing and teaching the Principle.

Soon Joo Nim had a profound effect on all of us in the audience that night, and also on the hotel manager, who shared some of the program with us. Soon Joo Nim consented to help us celebrate by cutting the victory cake after the program before her departure for East Garden.

We are indebted to her for her willingness and support. We see in her an excellent example of the graciousness of our Mother, and depth of character which will help her to be a significant leader in the future of our church and our society. ♦

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whose auspices the event was sponsored, gave the Call to Action.

Across the hall awaited the victory celebration and the traditional three-tiered cake. Jin Sung Nim delivered some well aimed internal guidance to

the members, with particular emphasis on the second generation. Then Kwon Jin Nim surprised us all with two country western songs.

All in all, it was a moving experience that brought a chance for understanding and unity on many different levels. Since members have not had much opportunity to see the True Children in action, this gave us a chance

to appreciate their capabilities and heart. It was especially worthwhile for the second generation to connect to the True Family. The eyes of the children as they listened to Jin Sung Nim and Kwon Jin Nim told the story. They were wide-eyed and totally absorbed in their heavenly charm and true charisma.

The families in Montgomery County want to express our deepest grati-

tude for the opportunity to share in the historic 40-city tour of the True Family and to have been the venue for the inaugural event in the Metro Washington, D.C. area.

Keith Cooperrider is the controller at The Washington Times, and William Selig is the administrative director at the Summit Council for World Peace. ♦

In Appreciation of the True Children

This is the first of two excerpts from a sermon given in Albany, New York.

We talk a lot about True Parents, but I think it is important to understand True Children, too, because the whole True Family has had quite an amazing life. True Parents have been speaking over the past few months, and now True Children are following in their footsteps and starting to speak out as well. Un Jin Nim will be speaking next Sunday in Manhattan. Others of the True Children will be speaking across the United States.

I want to talk a little about True Children so you can understand something of what is going on and so you can feel a part of it. There will be forty speeches by the True Children. And maybe sometime one of them will come to our area. If you know a little about their life, you can understand them better when you meet them.

A Chain of Support

A lot of people misunderstood who Jesus was. There were a lot of whispering and rumors. People were ready to put him in jail and even crucify him. When Judas was about to betray Jesus, Jesus said, "But woe unto that man by whom the Son of man is betrayed. It would have been better for that man if he had never been born."

Jesus was betrayed by the people closest to him. Jesus stood up and proclaimed a new era, a time of love. He called people to go beyond the law to a new level of God's love. Jesus was a great, great man, and he had the courage to stand up by himself, but he needed the people closest to him to be united with him. If you make a chain and all the links are strong, you cannot break it. If Jesus had a chain of support around him, he could have been protected. But he had some weak links. Some of the people who formed the chain around Jesus were weak, and Satan could invade.

Jesus would have loved to have had a bride and eventually travel all over the country not only with his disciples, but also with his wife and children. Can you imagine how happy God now is when True Children, who had to go through incredible suffering because of their parents' life, are completely

united with their parents? True Children see their parents as the central son and daughter of God and are committed to protecting them.

This speaking tour is truly significant and really historical. United with their parents, True Children are going everywhere proclaiming: "This is the Completed Testament Age."

Act Like Them

The very thing that we all want is eternal love, and to have true man and true woman unite together for all eternity. This is possible because True Parents have pioneered the way.

True Children are in the position of restoring those who are closest to the Adam and Eve position, the True Parents' position. What Jesus didn't have, True Parents now have. How did True Children get the strength to fulfill all these things? They had quite a life. Sometimes I think about my own life since I met True Parents. I remember how I went into bookstores and other places, and said to people: "Can I tell you something?" Other times I hid and wanted just to be accepted by people.

Then other times I got bold and went out again and said, "Would you like to hear about something important that is happening?" But again, I would go back into my shell. My life has been back and forth. The times that I treasure were when I was not Betsy O'Neill or Betsy Jones, but Betsy Moon—a daughter of True Parents. I want you to understand that your treasure in the future will be the times when you acted like you were True Parents' children.

Behind the Scenes

True Children had so many obstacles to overcome. First, their last name being Moon, wherever they went people said, "You are Rev. Moon's daughter?" "You are Rev. Moon's son?" That



MRS. BETSY JONES

Mrs. Jones is the National Vice Chairwoman of the Women's Federation for World Peace

was very painful. Other people had heard bad things about Rev. Moon and were critical.

True Parents left their children behind in Korea

while they spent time in America. They went through this several times over the years. When we were young members in Washington DC, True Parents would have a long telephone conver-

to make the condition of loving your parents more than their own children. Year after year, True Parents spent more time with your parents than with their children. Many of us have watched True Children from the time they were young. They were just little children when they came to America in 1973. We didn't really understand what they had to go through.

A great part of the victory of the True Family is True Children's victory—their ability to overcome their suffering and unite with their parents. It was not easy. Many of us did not have children yet, when we met True Parents, and we didn't understand the kind of sacrifice they were making. One time Mother gave me a picture of one of her small children who was still in Korea. She didn't say anything in words, but I could feel through that gift that True Parents were offering their family in order to save us.

Many times Hyo Jin Nim would feel so much righteous anger when people would criticize his father. He was always ready to fight whenever he saw anything wrong. Now

he has turned into a man who is truly ready to fight—to fight Satan. One time I was at East Garden. Hyo Jin Nim was singing, and as he walked by True Parents, he said to them, "America, no problem." He is determined that, along with the second generation children of our movement, he will take care of America. He has all kinds of ideas to penetrate society. ♦



Hyo Jin Nim greeting Father as he leaves Danbury

sation, and we could hear crying on the other end, lots of crying. It was their oldest daughter, Ye Jin Nim, calling from Korea. They were going to be in America for one year, when they first came. There were lots of tears behind the scenes.

Without knowing what they were doing, True Children had to offer their parents to the world. Their parents had

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Kansas Blessed Children's Workshop

by John O'Connor—Wichita, KS

On October 31, 1993, we had our first historical Kansas Blessed Children's Workshop. It was short and sweet but then so were our participants. Their ages were from 5 to 8 years old. We had a grand total of 8 Blessed children from 4 families. Those attending were: Rachel, Rebecca, and Sarah Karnowski, Sebastian and Claren O'Connor, Christopher and Kalev Saarna, and Korbin Anglin.

In the summer of 1992, with the encouragement of Rev. and Mrs. Chong Young Yoo, Blessed members organized the first Regional workshop for Blessed children in Region 7. But this past summer was fully devoted to preparing for and attending True Mother's speeches so there was no regional workshop organized for '93. Our Kansas Blessed Couples then decided to organize a half-day workshop for our children.

State leader Peeter Saarna and Mieko hosted the workshop. We started with a simple lunch at 1 PM and began the program at 2 PM. I gave the Principle lecture for the day, "Principle of Creation and Blessed Children's Special Position". The main lecture points covered were: the problem of the first parents, True Parents restoring Adam and Eve's mistake, knowing our original purpose in life, the growth process, and the 3 Blessings. The lecture lasted about 40 minutes with the children maintaining attention quite well. I used several props: a 5 foot long spoon (a tablespoon taped to the end of a dowel rod) to show how difficult it is when everyone tries to feed themselves with this spoon. This is due to self-centered thinking. On the other hand, when you are selfless you will overcome the problem by learning to feed each other (demonstrated by a volunteer child). I also used broken toys and new toys to demonstrate how True Parents are

restoring or "fixing" the world's broken hearts and replacing them with new ones; and some seeds which I gave to each one of them during the lecture when talking about the growing process, I explained that they have a special True Love seed in their hearts from True Parents.

Our next session began at 3 o'clock. Mary Anglin and Evelyne O'Connor organized a variety of games. The children enjoyed "catch the dragon's tail" and were very excited with the action game of "musical pillows". We ended with some lively songs. In the third session, Barbara Karnowski asked questions and lead discussion to see how much they learned from the lecture presentation. Barbara ended the period by asking each one of them what they

want to be when they grow up. It was a joy for staff and parents to listen to their responses. Among our novice workshop attendees, we had hopefuls who wanted to be a queen, a princess, a ballerina, a policeman (3 wanted to get the unprincipled guys!), and a train engineer. One was not sure yet.

Short and Sweet

After several hours of enthusiastic attention, we awarded each child a certificate with a picture of a little train

engine pictured which said "You're on the right track, The Principled Track! The above named has successfully completed the first historic Kansas Children's Unification Workshop at Topeka, Kansas, October 31, 1993."

I read each child's name to come forward as in a traditional big-time graduation ceremony. But a unique difference in our graduation ceremony was that the graduates came forward, one by one from oldest to youngest, and gave a Heavenly bow to our True Parents. After that, they shook hands with the state leader and myself and then received the Workshop Certificate. It was a beautiful sight!

We are planning to have a children's workshop each season or 4 times a year. We will take turns giving the main lecture. We are trying to design our annual series so we will have a foundational cycle advancing further and more deeply into the Principle as the years come. Our first year will be basically 4 workshops as follows: Principle of Creation, Fall, Messiah, and finally Restoration history. In a couple of years we may be studying details of the family courses of Noah, Abraham, and Moses.

In addition to teaching Principle at these seasonal workshops, our goal is to bring strong unity among our Kansas Blessed children and connect them

to True Children. Some of the children have already established strong relationships with each. We want all of them to feel deep unity and part of a larger whole as followers of True Parents.



It was short and sweet but then so were our participants.



ents.

Our hopes are rising as we see the beauty of God's love in Blessed Children. As Blessed couples in Kansas, we look forward to working together to provide Principle workshops and internal guidance seminars for our children. We have taken our first step. It was a humble beginning but we all experienced a taste of Heaven in the beautiful, collective spirit of our Blessed Children.

We want to thank our True Parents for guiding us toward fulfilling "World peace through ideal families". ♦

A Prayer by Santa

by Thom. A. Keck

Iwish I could bring peace to all the children of the world. I'm so sorry that they suffer our godless ways—even in a "Nation Under God": so many broken homes, so many broken hearts.

If they only knew that you can't make love. Love is the essence of being with God in trust, and caring for creation as ideally as you would care for yourself.

Boundless is True Love nurtured within God's Law.

The greatest treasure is within us all. We are all created in the image of God—a man and a woman. Truly united in God and marriage, they make homes to grow children who value Life.

We, the people, must consider the

ecology of the human spirit—creating an atmosphere, in their airwaves and media, in the streets and in the home, conducive to fruitful maturity, with opportunity for prosperity and justice in equal measure.

People must be responsible for their actions, so that a child can grow without fear, abuse or inattention.

I love a caring home. A caring world would be Paradise—we have all the resources and time.

When will people recognize the Messiah's presence, instead of me, just centering on getting presents?

I wish you all a blessed Christmas and endless Joyful New Year. ♦



December in Providential History

This is an outline significant events that happened in the providence in this century. This information is drawn from a database that is being compiled at HSA Headquarters.

- 12/04/1950 Father travelled to South Korea with Won Pil Kim And Jung Hwa Park.
- 12/24/1950 Father and Won Pil Kim arrive in Pusan.
- 12/10/1952 Rev. Yo Han Lee joined the UC
- 12/24/1953 Mr. Hyo Won Eu joined the UC
- 12/31/1954 Songhwa Christian Students Association founded in Seoul.
- 12/30/1961 Hyo Jin Nim was born
- 12/24/1967 Un Jin Nim was born
- 12/01/1970 All blessed wives began a 3-year witnessing campaign.
- 12/08/1971 True Parents arrive in the United States.
- 12/15/1972 Ten IOWC teams are formed in the U.S.
- 12/1-21/1973 Father speaks in Minneapolis, Cincinnati, Detroit, Chicago, Kansas City and Tulsa as part of his 21 city tour: "Christianity in Crisis: New Hope". Father spoke on 3 consecutive nights in each city.
- 12/9, 22/1975 Father speaks in San Francisco and Los Angeles as part of his 8 city tour that began on September 18th with the

- Madison Square Garden rally.
- 12/09/1975 Father received Honorary Doctor of Law degree from Colby College, Maine
- 12/18/1975 Father speaks on God's Plan For America at the US Congress
- 12/22/1976 35 Couples Blessing held in New York
- 12/30/1980 843 Couples engagement ceremony held in the World Mission Center, New York
- 12/30/1981 1st Conference on God: The Contemporary Discussion held in Hawaii
- 12/01/1983 True Parents V.O.C speaking tour began in Korea
- 12/23/1983 Father speaks in Kwangju
- 12/24/1983 Heung Jin Nim's accident
- 12/31/1983 Ceremony Of Unification held in New York
- 12/2/1990 The first 40-day Inter-religious leadership seminar for Muslims was begun in New York
- 12/19/1991 True Parents visit North Korea

We hope that this information has been informative. If you know of any event that should have been here please write or call HSA Publications, 4 West 43rd St., New York, NY 10036 (212) 997-0056 ♦

TRUE PARENTS' HISTORY FOR CHILDREN

Father's Journey To Pusan

by Renee Balise

Escape to the south! Escape to the south! That was everyone's goal. The war was all around them, and the communists were on the move. The safest place in Korea was as far south as anyone could get. Thousands of people set out every day for Pusan, at the southernmost tip of Korea. The roads were full of people.

Father, however, did not go to the south right away. First, he wanted to check on his disciples in Pyongyang. Had they gone south? Were they safe? He refused to leave without them.

God's direction to Father did not include his going home, so he did not go back to his home city; he never saw his parents and family again.

In Pyongyang he found his first disciple, Won Pil Kim. Together they went to visit each disciple. To True Father's great disappointment, many of them had not remained faithful. While Father had been suffering so terribly in the prison, they had become discouraged and gone back to living for themselves. Father went to see each one of them three times, and three times they declined to join him.

During this time, the war continued between the communists and the United Nations troops. The communists were led by two men. One was a Chinese man named Mao Tse Tung, and the other was a Korean named Kim Il

Sung. Satan was using these two men to build the Satanic Kingdom on earth. God was using Father to build the Heavenly Kingdom on earth.

Because his disciples had lost faith in him, Father decided that he should go back once more to the southern part of Korea. He told Won Pil Kim, "You and Mr. Pak should prepare to go to the south with me right away."

Won Pil Kim went to find Mr. Pak.

Imagine his surprise when he found that Mr. Pak had a broken leg. He had been captured by the police and questioned. As punishment, they broke his leg, but then they decided he was innocent and let him go.

"Father," Mr. Kim said, "Mr. Pak has a broken leg and cannot walk. He has a big cast from the top of his leg all the way to the bottom. I found him lying down and feeling very sad because he thought you and I had already gone south without him."

Father answered, "We are all going south together."

When Mr. Pak heard this news, he was so surprised. He cried and cried from happiness because Father cared so much about him.

They found an old bicycle at the house of Mr. Pak's sister. Father struggled to put Mr. Pak on it. On December 4, 1950, in the middle of their very icy cold winter, Father, Mr. Kim, and Mr. Pak with the broken leg, began their long, hard journey to Pusan in South Korea.

True Father pulled the bicycle from the front, and Mr. Kim, who carried their packages, helped push from behind.

It was a most difficult and dangerous journey. They could not use the main roads because those roads were reserved for the United Nations troops. The middle roads were very crowded with people running away from the communists in the north. Father had to use the smallest back roads, which led through dark woods, cold rivers and steep mountains. Imagine trying to pull a person as big as yourself on a bicycle—over mountains, through rivers and in the woods! Mr. Kim was amazed at Father's strong body, even after two and a half years in prison. He was even more amazed by his strong spirit!

Sometimes the communists would shoot at the people from airplanes high in the sky. When the people saw this, they would run and try to save themselves. Mothers and fathers sometimes even forgot to care for their own children when this happened. Father never acted this way. No matter what happened, he always took good care of Mr. Pak and Won Pil Kim.

Even though True Father took care of Mr. Pak, eventually the poor man with the broken leg wanted to give up. One day he said, "Father, I just can't go on anymore. I am going to die anyway, so please go on without me."

"No!" True Father said, "That's no way to talk! How could you say such a thing? We pledged to God to live together and die together, and you must not

say such things!" He would not abandon Mr. Pak.

After many days, the three struggling men came to a province called Hwanghae Do. Two miles from there was an island named Yongmae. They heard that if they went there they could take a boat the rest of the way to Pusan. This would take much less time than walking. There was only one problem: how would they get to the island

without a boat? It looked rather hopeless.

"What will I do now?" Mr. Pak moaned in pain. "I can't walk through the water for two miles with a broken leg!"

"Don't worry," Father told him, "I will get you there."

"How can you do that?" Mr. Pak asked

doubtfully. "You cannot pull a bicycle through the ocean."

"When the tide goes out, I will put you on my back and carry you there," Father answered. Mr. Pak was amazed. He wondered if Father could really do it. Sure enough, when the tide went out, Father put Mr. Pak on his back and began the walk through the cold, muddy, slippery ocean bottom. With each step the mud hung to Father's feet, making them so heavy.

While he walked Father prayed and thought, "This man represents all the people of the world. If I cannot succeed in carrying him to this island, then my mission to save the world cannot succeed." This prayer gave Father strength to succeed no matter how heavy Mr. Pak was or how tired Father might be.

Finally, they did make it. It was the hope of catching the boat that kept them going. Father was so tired he was panting. A boat was just leaving for the south, but there were more people than could possibly fit on the boat. They realized they couldn't get on. Father saw people thinking only of saving themselves. One mother even got on the boat without her daughter. "Mother!" the daughter cried out. "Why are you going on the boat alone? What about me? Please don't leave me here alone!"

"You are young and you'll think of something," her mother answered grimly, "I am old, and I must go on this boat or I'll surely die." Father felt deep pain and sadness to see people acting that way. How miserable they were! Father turned to his companions; sadly he said, "We must go back."

The boat left. It was hopeless to think about going South on a boat now. Father knew they must leave before the communists came, so once again, when the tide went out, he put Mr. Pak on his back and carried him the two miles back to Hwanghae Do. Again they walked slowly through the thick, heavy mud.

When Father arrived back on land, his first thought was for the two men. "Somehow I must comfort and revitalize my brothers," he thought. He turned to them and said, "Tonight someone will feed you well."

They began to walk, but a policeman who at first thought Father was a com-

munist made them go north. Soon it was night, and there was no light. The three men walked in complete darkness. On and on they trudged—so tired, so dirty, so hungry.

Suddenly they saw a red light sparkling in the distance! As they went toward the light they saw it was a house. Mr. Pak and Mr. Kim were filled with joy.

When Father knocked on the door, it was answered by a young schoolteacher and his wife. They had been preparing to go south but hadn't left yet. "My name is Moon Sun Myung," Father told him, "and these are my friends, Kim Won Pil and Pak Jung Hwa." Father told him about all their experiences and the man felt sorry for their sufferings.

"You are very welcome here," the schoolteacher said. "Your road has been very hard. I don't have much, but what I have I will gladly share with you." He fed them a nice dinner and invited them to sleep in the warmest part of the house where he and his wife usually slept. The next morning he killed a chicken and made them a wonderful breakfast. Father was so grateful to God for this wonderful gift. He had prayed, "Heavenly Father, even if I am sacrificed, it is all right as long as my disciples are given enough." When God heard this prayer, He was deeply moved and led the three men to this house, where they were given good food and a warm place to rest.

Soon they set out to complete the journey. By the end of December, 1950, the three men reached Seoul in South Korea. Many of the houses were already deserted, because the communists were coming. It was almost like a ghost town.

Father decided they should continue on their way to Pusan, which was at the southern tip of Korea. Mile after long mile, they walked. Sometimes wonderful things would happen. Once they came to a town where they had all the apples they could eat! In another town, they were given all the rice cakes they could eat.

On the way, Mr. Pak's broken leg finally healed, and the cast could be taken off. Then they came to a place named Kyung Ju City and Mr. Pak, worn out by the long journey, begged to stay there and meet them in Pusan later. Father saw that he was strong enough to take care of himself and he agreed.

Then Father and Won Pil Kim went on to another town called Ulsan. There they were able to catch a train to Pusan. It was a cargo train and there wasn't any room for them to sit, so they had to hang on to the front where the engine was running and the coal was burning. Father's clothes became black with grease and dirt from the train. At least it was faster than walking.

On January 27, 1951, about two months after they began their journey, they reached Choyang Young Station in Pusan, where they would begin a new life.

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Advertising and the Heart to Witness

by Ronald E. Pine—Sacramento, CA

What an interesting subject? Is it possible to find people truly interested in learning about Reverend Moon? How about people interested in becoming Blessing candidates?

Well, let me say the answer to these questions is Yes! Without question we can find people who are genuinely interested in these subjects. The only issue to be determined is who of us is willing to spend a few dollars, answer voice-mail messages, and visit the young people who respond from advertisements placed in your local newspapers and/or circulars (papers like magic ad's, pennysaver, etc.).

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From the foundation laid in my first advertisement, I developed the Completed Testament ad, and placed it in Sacramento's daily newspaper one day before In Jin Moon's speech in Sacramento, Nov. 14. In the ad we clearly

featured the name *Reverend Sun Myung Moon*.

The result from one day's running of the ad is that one person came to In Jin Nim's speech, gave us his name, and is now studying the Divine Principle. After this young man (his name is Dante) came to the speech, I asked him why he attended; he told me he had heard of Reverend Moon and was interested in learning more about him! This is simply amazing. There are people who want to learn about Reverend Moon and the Blessing and who are willing to respond to us. The only question is whether we have the determination to reach out and absorb whatever response comes back.

The Heart to Witness

I tell you this in all honesty: my biggest concern, personally, is not only finding someone seeking truth, but being willing to expend my energy, heart and financial resources in that quest. Those of us Unification Church members who have experienced so much persecution from the early years, have lost the heart to witness, in my opinion. Of course, I may only be speaking for myself. However, after 25 years I can say that most American members have lost the heart we had in the early days to witness and evangelize for our True Parents.

So I am now challenging myself again to continue on, using this adver-

We know the truth of our True Parents' life of indemnity.

tising campaign, to reach the goal of 12 spiritual children attending the next Blessing.

Regardless of the actual result I may achieve for the next blessing, whether it be twelve spiritual children or only three, the indemnity paid is never in vain. My years of experience and listening to Father's speeches have convinced me that God always claims our efforts and finds victory in unexpected ways. We cannot limit ourselves to just our own efforts; we must strive on and endure regardless of our personal difficulties. The more times we place Father's name in the public eye and then personally stand up and take responsibility, the more the Spiritual World can work and bring forth the fruit. We are the first fruits—the first Blessed couples—and therefore we must speak out, without fear of the consequences.

How many people can stand up and say they were trained by Reverend Moon personally? Who out there has met with Father and received his guidance on an individual level? Who out there has received love from Father directly? Are those of us who have walked the road of indemnity with True Parents in the 1960s the only people who can say unequivocally that Reverend Moon is really our Father?

We know the truth of our True Parents' life of indemnity. Therefore, I cannot sit still or settle down in my

business. I must witness in any and every way possible. God has even told me to send my daughters to school with fliers inviting their teachers to listen to the True Children's speech.

True Family's Inspiration

Lastly, I want to give credit to In Jin Moon's husband, Jin Sung Moon. His speech to Bay Area and Sacramento members was very inspiring—most particularly when he enlightened us with the idea that if all our church members brought just one person to join every five months, in eleven turns or only seven years we would have all mankind following True Parents. That's 5 billion members. What an elegant way of stating our goal!

Please, brothers and sisters in America, we must revive the early members' spirit. You out there who came in the late sixties remember well the early campaigns. You remember well the love we practiced with each other in our respective centers. You remember well the tearful prayer meetings and our pledges given to Father directly. I am deeply compelled to say that we the 777 or 1800 couples must regain Father's trust and respect. Who else can truly reflect God's tearful heart given by Father?

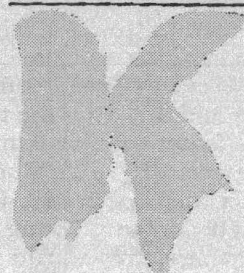
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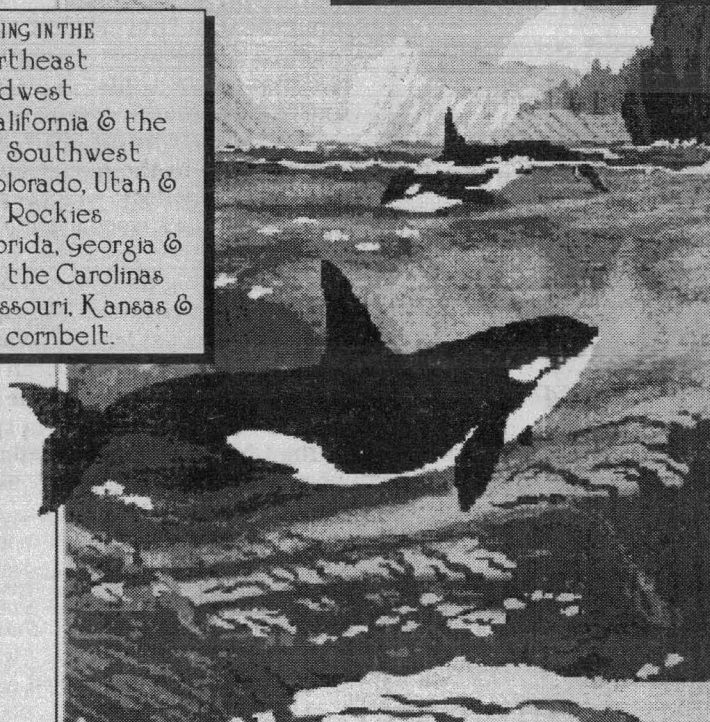
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DIVINE PRINCIPLE STUDY

The Origin of Conflict and Suffering

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A number of ancient Jewish and early Christian writings agree with the Divine Principle interpretation of the Fall. Several Jewish thinkers claim that Satan thought, "I will kill Adam and take Eve to wife." Another rabbi explained that Satan intended to rule the earth with Eve as his spouse.

Professor F.R. Tennant of Cambridge University, who did an exhaustive study of the Fall, notes that legends "concerning the monstrous intercourse of Adam and Eve with demons, and especially of Eve with the serpent, or Satan, were widespread" in ancient sources.

However well-documented this explanation of the Fall is, can one seriously believe that an angel could have sexual intercourse with a human being?

Biblical

To throw light on the question, let us examine the beliefs of the Hebrews and Christians recorded in the Bible. Both the Old and New Testaments take it for granted that spiritual beings can and do lust after mortal women. One key passage is a short account to be found in the sixth chapter of Genesis; in it, "sons of God," traditionally understood as angels, descended from heaven and successfully "took to wife" certain fair women (Gen 6:1-2).

We might dismiss this story as primitive myth if it did not reappear in two different parts of the New Testament. In the Epistle of Jude (6-7) and in II Peter (2:4), the story is revived and given the authority of Christian scripture. Obviously, for the Christians, it was assumed that spirits and human beings could and did have sexual relations with each other.

There are other times in the Bible when angels had direct contact with people or things in the physical world. For example, an angel wrestled with Jacob so vigorously that he dislocated the patriarch's thigh joint (Gen 32:25).

When two angels visited Lot at Sodom to warn him of the coming destruction of the city, he invited them into his home and they had a meal

there.

When Mary saw an angel near the tomb of Jesus, she thought he was the y see that angels gardener (John 20:15).

From this we can readily see that angels not only possess powers of sensual perception similar to humans, but also possess a form which can on occasion be perceived.

Nor is there a lack of evidence of this phenomenon on what we might call the satanic side. Satanists have long maintained that in their mystic rites one could experience sexual union with their master or his supernatural associates. During the Middle Ages down to the seventeenth century and even today, they have confessed as much to clerical and secular authorities, not as an admission of guilt, but as their belief and experience.

Of course, a spiritual sexual experience is not within the realm of the ordinary person's experience. Nevertheless, it is a fact of existence, even in the twentieth century.

The Fall Complete

How was the Fall of Lucifer and Eve extended to Adam? Love unites two beings, bringing a reciprocal influence. Having united with the archangel, Eve received two elements from him. First, she experienced fear. The archangel knew in his heart that in uniting with Eve he would violate a clear principle of God, yet the power of his love for Eve led him to do so. In rebelling against the Almighty God, he became frightened. When the unprincipled union between Lucifer and Eve took place, his fear was extended to her and became a part of her. She came to feel the same fear Lucifer did.

Also, when Eve at the forbidden fruit, her eyes were opened as the Serpent had predicted. At that moment Eve understood that Lucifer was never

intended to be her mate but that God had created her for Adam. Deep regret and repentance came to her. This realization, in conjunction with her sense of fear, made her turn to Adam for comfort and help.

To Adam

Loathing her previous act, Eve was willing to do anything to regain her former sense of well-being. Recognizing that God had intended Adam to be her rightful mate, she erroneously thought that by having a sexual union with him,

ally. This union between Adam and the spiritually fallen Eve constituted the physical Fall of Adam and Eve. Since God created man in both spirit and flesh and Eve had already fallen spiritually, from the moment of their physical union, their Fall became complete.

What She Might Have Done

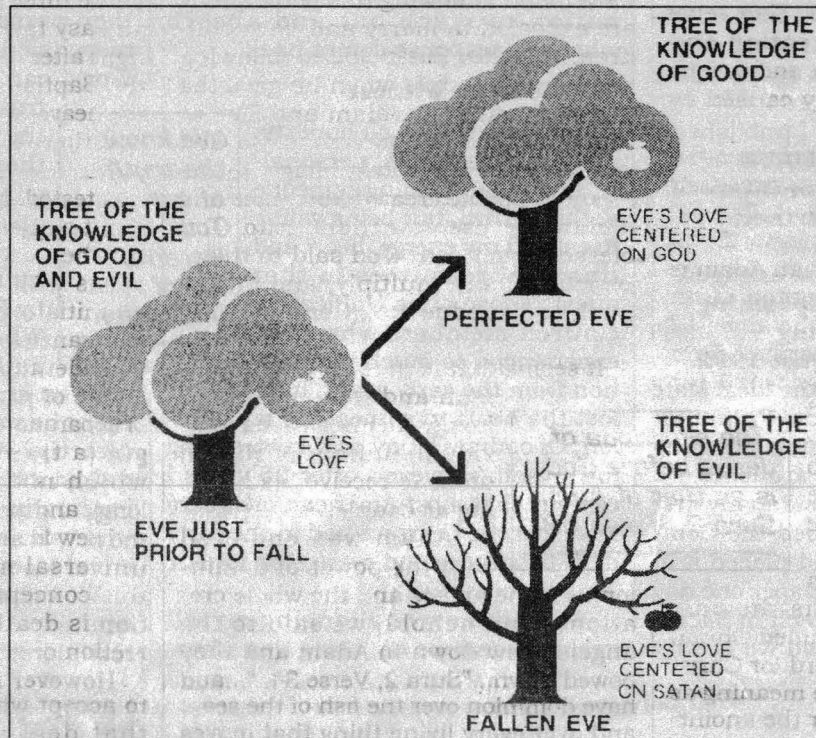
Rather than tempting Adam as she had been tempted, Eve should have confessed her mistake to him and begged him to intercede for her with God. Through Adam, God could have restored Eve. When Eve led Adam to have a sexual relationship with her and he consented, they only repeated Eve's first mistake. Now they both were cut off from God and without hope. There was no one to intercede with God on their behalf.

Sunk in their shame and guilt, Genesis records that God Himself ultimately had come looking for them, calling "Where are you?" They were lost, spiritually and physically.

If our first ancestors had not eaten the fruit of god and evil, they would have established an ideal family by producing children of goodness. Eve's love would have been a good fruit and she would have

been likened to a Tree of Goodness. But before she could achieve perfection, Eve fell and led Adam to fall, thus giving rise to a family lacking God's love and stained with a satanic heritage. Therefore, the fallen Eve was likened to an evil tree and her love to an evil fruit.

Immediately prior to the Fall, Eve was thus in a position to become either a tree of goodness or a tree of evil. For this reason she was symbolized by the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil. The fruit of the tree, which was her love, could have been either good or evil. ♦



she might rectify her prior error. Acting on this idea, she tempted Adam to behave as her husband.

Heretofore, Adam and Eve had lived together in a brother and sister relationship. It had been intended that they would grow in this way to perfection and then receive the blessing of marriage from God. In the state of mature love with God, they would be in the proper position to have a Godly love with each other. Any union with each other before reaching this stage was in violation of God's design.

Nevertheless, Adam responded to Eve's advances and two united sexu-



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Jesus the Second Adam: An Islamic-Unificationist Viewpoint

Mr. Mesbah has just finished his first course: "Trinity and Christology" taught by Dr. Donald Gray at UTS. The content of his research paper—presented at the end of the class—will be published here in two parts. This is the first.

The focus of this article is Jesus as the one who inherited the unfulfilled mission of Adam. My interest in this subject comes out of my Islamic background. Indeed, Islamic tradition emphasizes the similarity between the creations of Jesus and Adam. "The similitude of Jesus before God is as that of Adam; He created him from dust, then said to him: 'Be'; and he was." Sura 3, Verse 59. This verse shows us that Jesus' creation and Adam's creation are similar and unique because they were directly caused by God.

The similarity between their creation means also the similarity between their mission namely, Son of God, Parent, Ancestor, Teacher and Mediator for all Mankind. However, in Qur-an Adam is described as God's Vicegerent on earth: "Behold, thy Lord said to the angels: I will create a vicegerent on earth..." Sura 2, Verse 30. The Arabic word for Vicegerent is Khalifa and means a special representative with prerogative to take initiative and make decision on behalf the one he represents.

While Adam is God's only vicegerent, Jesus is the only prophet in Qur-an to be named Christ. The Arabic and Hebrew word for Christ is Masih and has the same meaning as the Greek word Christos or the anointed. Behold! the angels said: O Mary! God giveth thee Glad tidings of a word from him: his name will be Christ Jesus..." Sura 3, Verse 45. Even though for Muslims Muhammad is the Last and the Seal of all the Prophets, they believe that Jesus is the greatest Prophet because he is Masih (Christ) and will resurrect one day and achieve his mission.

Also the Prophet Muhammad himself has always spoken very respectfully about Jesus:

Abu Huraira reported Allah's Messenger, peace and blessing of Allah be upon him, as saying, "I am the nearest of kin to Jesus, son of Mary, in this world and the next. The Prophets are brothers, sons of one Father by co-wives. Their Mothers are different, but their religion is one. There has been no prophet between us." (From Bukhari and Muslim).

In his book *Jesus in the Qur-an*, Geoffrey Parrinder mentioned the particular Islamic respect for Jesus. The Qur-an gives a greater number of honorable titles to Jesus than to any other figure of the past. He is a "sign", a "mercy", a "witness", and an "example". He is called by his proper name Jesus, by the titles Messiah (Christ) and Son of Man, Word and Spirit of God.

After this introduction, I would like to elaborate more on Adam's life and Jesus' life as well as on their respective mission. However because of the importance of his mission, more attention will be given to the second Adam, namely Jesus.

God said to Adam and Eve in Sura 7, Verse 19: "Adam! dwell thou and thy wife in the Garden, and enjoy (its good things) as ye wish: but approach not this tree, or ye run into harm and

transgression". Here we notice that Adam received the vicegerent's mission as individual single being before he did receive the blessing to dwell in the Garden as married couple.

This situation reminds me the organizational pattern of the Unification Movement as described by Marcus Borg: "During the seven year period, church members are committed to celibacy, ...and full-time service to the movement. Following this period, they are expected to marry and have children..." In the Bible God is following the same principle when he gave the three blessings to Adam and Eve as couple but not as individual. "So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. And God blessed them, and God said to them, Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it;...(Genesis 1: 27-28).

The similitude of Jesus before God is as that of Adam Sura 3, Verse 59.

It seems that is the way God works, man and woman have to justify themselves, as individual, in front of Him in order to receive his blessing as couple.

Adam was endowed with the power of dominion over the angels and the whole creation. "And behold, we said to the angels: Bow down to Adam and they bowed down..." Sura 2, Verse 34. "...and have dominion over the fish of the sea... and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." (Genesis 1: 28). But this power was conditional and restricted by a clear commandment from God: "...You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die." (Genesis 2: 16-17). Instead of being obedient to God, Adam and Eve disobeyed him, ate of the forbidden tree and died. Therefore the first and original Adam died prematurely leaving behind him widows and orphans. The Divine Principle summarizes the death or fall of Adam and Eve as follows:

"The first human ancestors were supposed to be perfected by believing in the divine word and not eating of the fruit, but they ate of it through their own disbelief, which caused the fall." [Divine Principle, 1973, p.76]

Because of his disobedience to God, the first Adam lost his position and his qualification in front of God and Mankind. Therefore Adam's mission was unaccomplished and his position became vacant. Therefore God had to fill this vacancy by re-creating the right person, namely The Second Adam to fulfill this mission.

Jesus' mission

It is indisputable that Jesus was the one that God had chosen to fulfill the unaccomplished Adam's mission. Therefore Jesus had inherited an unsuccessful mission and became the second Adam. In order to stand in Adam's position before his death, Jesus had inevitably to restore Adam's mistake namely, disbelief. "The sin which came by the tree (Genesis 3:6) was undone by the tree of obedience to God when the son of man was nailed to the



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tree. There he overcame the knowledge of evil and brought in the knowledge of Good. Evil is disobedience to God and good is obedience to God". [St. Irenaios: *The Preaching of the*

Apostles.]

According to Saint Irenaios' statement, Jesus' crucifixion on the cross was the way that he willingly chose in order to restore Adam's sin namely disobedience. But before going to the cross, Jesus had to overcome the three great temptations; (Matthew 4:1-11). Those three great temptations were not an easy task for him. They took place right after Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist at the Jordan river, where the heavens were opened to him for the first time. He was like a new born who just came to life and whose strength was tested. Marcus Borg describes this event so clearly and beautifully:

"The Gospel account of his adult life opens with him undergoing baptism, an initiatory 'rite of passage' making the transition from an old identity to a new identity. Conceptually described, a 'rite of passage' involves the stages of separation from the old identity, margin (a transition stage which may be brief or long), and aggregation into the new identity. The most universal metaphor for this conceptual description is death and resurrection or rebirth."

However it is not easy to accept without skepticism the idea that death on the cross was the unavoidable destiny for the one who came to give us life and to teach us how to live it. It is more comforting to believe that Jesus came to perfect our undeveloped human potentialities, due to the first Adam's failure rather than to believe that he came, lived and died without solving our unending problems. John Macquarrie wrote in his book: *Jesus Christ in Modern Thought*:

"The second Adam is not only successful in overcoming the sin of the first Adam, but also in advancing from the immaturity of that first Adam to the perfection of hitherto undeveloped human potentialities.

Yet equally one has to say that human beings have not only been immature in the sense of failing to realize the human potential, but that they

have sinned in the sense of diverting their potential into wrong channels."

According to the Unification Movement point of view, the descendants of Adam have inherited his sin, spiritually and physically. Hence they came under Satan's dominion and could not save themselves without Adam or the one who would step into his shoes namely, the second Adam. Therefore, the second Adam's mission is to free mankind spiritually and physically from Satan's authority [Divine Principle, 1977, p.147.]

"If Jesus had not been crucified, what would have happened? He would have accomplished the providence of salvation both spiritually and physically. He would have established the Kingdom of Heaven on earth which would last forever, as expressed in the prophecy of Isaiah (Isaiah 9:6-7), in the instruction of the angel appearing to Mary (Luke 1:31-33), and in Jesus' own words announcing the imminence of the Kingdom of Heaven." (Matthew 4:17)

We may ask how Jesus' God, well known for his benevolent love, could send his beloved son to be murdered as a criminal on the cross? In Genesis 4:8-12 the same God was furious with Cain who had killed his brother Abel.

Moreover, God cursed Cain and made him a fugitive and wanderer on earth because he shed his brother's blood.

The Qur-an also describes in more detail this tragedy in Sura 5, Verses 30-31 and points out the

fact that Cain did not even know how to bury his brother which means also that Abel was the first member of Adam's family to die. "The (selfish) soul of the other led him to the murder of his brother: he murdered him, and became (himself) one of the lost ones. Then Allah sent a raven, who scratched the ground, to show him how to hide the naked body of his brother..."

Because he is absolute, God cannot use a double standard when dealing with similar situations. As he was sorrowful and dejected after the death of Abel, God was certainly grieved because of the death of Jesus.

Such a God could not have sent his beloved Son Jesus, the second Adam and the Messiah to be unjustly killed on the cross. It would have been contrary to how God had been acting throughout human history. ♦

It is not easy to accept without skepticism the idea that death on the cross was the unavoidable destiny



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HeartWing: The Shimjung Way of the Family

by Victoria Clevenger

WISHING YOU HOLY HAPPY-DAYS!

What do you really want to be given during this holiday season? What in your life have you been most grateful to receive? What do you most want to give? What are you missing?

The lovely and delicious substantial trappings of this season can easily divert us from partaking of the intangible, but also more fulfilling, elements that can transform these holidays to holydays. Perhaps we can all start now to make a different kind of list of these non-material things, to give and to enable ourselves to receive, during these next hectic weeks.

I think most of us would like to give some kind of comfort and help to the millions who are suffering, and receive a sense that we did make a positive difference in their lives. A care bear stare couldn't hurt, and might help. Before you think I've lost my mind entirely, let me explain, for those who don't have small children, that the care bears are cute cartoon good guys who care about others' feelings and try to transform, rather than destroy, the bad guys they encounter. They recognize that everyone wants to be cared about in a genuine way. Sometimes, when uncaring is particularly powerful, they have to band together and send out a unified beam of heart and good will in what they call a care bear stare. I wish this for us, that we can join together in beaming out our powerful desires/prayers for the healing and maturing of all people, particularly those who are suffering in the different troubled spots all over the globe.

Thank you very much to all who've contributed to HeartWing.

My family joins me in wishing you a genuinely fulfilling and joyful holiday season, God's Day, and new year.

CONVERSATIONS WITH GOD

Contributed by Joelle Bliksas, Nice - France

Joelle sent some lovely excerpts from her notebook of her morning meditations. Thank you very much for translating them for us. I'll share more in future issues.

Your heart must come to me; I want your heart and you have not given it to Me completely. You still keep something for you, because you are afraid, but you don't know that I will never hurt you. Please believe in absolute goodness because it is My essence.

I will open to you the gate of love so that you can breathe freely like fresh air.

I will open for you the gate of your heart so that you can penetrate in My garden. Let yourself be

guided through, for I want you to breathe from the air I breathe, which is of absolute ether.

Be patient and don't hurry. Come to Me in prayer. I need your prayer. It is the fountain of My life. I like when the water springs high and powerful, there is beauty and joy in it. I can be amazed by the beauty of the creation. Do you know that?

AS RUTH FOLLOWED NAOMI

Contributed by Kiyoko Bowman, Warrenville, SC

These are condensed excerpts of Heung Jin Nim speaking to Kiyoko and another Japanese sister, and to all sisters who "sojourn in a foreign land." Receiving Pauline Scheving-Thorstenson's item shortly after Kiyoko sent this confirmed to me how much God wants to comfort and thank these sisters.

You two sisters who have come from a far-off land—leaving behind your mother, your father, your brothers, your sisters—you have come as Ruth followed Naomi. You have said to your husbands, "Your people will be my people, your God will be my God, whither thou goest I will go." God knows the pain in your hearts, my dear sisters, and is so grateful!

You women represent the tradition of Ruth—that you could follow your husbands to a foreign land and bring forth the seed of God. You men must know the pain and loneliness these women have born—to be a stranger in a foreign land; to speak a language not their own; to yearn for their homelands; to know in their hearts that they can never see that land again. You cannot know what they have endured and what price has been paid! They are truly royalty in the house of God.

You are the Ruth of the Completed Testament Age, and you must understand your value and what a precious position you have in God's providence. You must know that your pain and your suffering could liberate God's heart, and from you, the lineage of God could be firmly established.

If Ruth could not have followed Naomi, Jesus could not have been born. How long the providence of God would have been delayed you cannot know. But you could faithfully go. And God will bring you great joy: As Ruth could look into the eyes of Obed and know that the house of her husband could continue, that she had fulfilled the will of God, you women also will know great joy. Your hearts will be comforted.

You must support and embrace each other because only you know the pain. No one can know, but you can share with and liberate each other, and heal the hurt. You can lay down your burdens now. You must melt into each

him who they sold as a slave into Egypt. His brothers called him "Lord" and he could save his lineage. Your families did not understand that you went to save your lineage for all eternity. They saw you as a traitor, as abandoning them; but your hearts will be comforted, and you will be True Parents to your parents. Your tribe will also be saved. Because you could leave them behind they will be welcomed into God's Kingdom. The time is very near when they

Understand God's vision for the future. But please, I beg of you, release the hearts of the Japanese sisters. Also the Koreans and all the foreign women, but especially those who have come from the non-Christian Orient. Their loneliness, as you know, has been very great. But now every tear will be wiped away.

You must proclaim with great rejoicing the birth of Obed. Obed symbolizes the coming together of the Chosen Lineage—the Israelites—and the Moabites, who represent those who are not of God's chosen lineage. Through them God laid the foundation to restore all mankind—the grafting into the Tree of Life. There are many levels

and many stages that True Parents must accomplish to establish one race of mankind, one unified lineage. And this is not only spiritual, it is also a physical thing. Our True Parents have a vision that goes into centuries, but it is impossible for you to understand what Father is doing.

You are a starting point, just as Obed and Perez and Tereh each along the way was a link to the next step so that Jesus could come. But if one link could not fulfill, then all the foundation would be lost. So your faithful acceptance when you could not understand—this is truly our Mother's course. She did not understand the course she had to go but she went in blind obedience and without complaint. Only if you can follow faithfully—that is enough. By and by all will be shown to you. Especially, I promise you, in your grandchildren's generation you will see extraordinary things.

Even now, the way things are happening defies the imagination. But you will see in one more generation—because your children are truly True Parents' children and they have a foundation of the whole world. They have no barriers at all in the spirit world. It is as if you were to bequeath millions of dollars to them. As you know, in the material world, money represents power. So the children of East-West blessings have a very great range in which they can work. God has very special things prepared for them.

SOJOURNERS IN A FOREIGN LAND

Contributed by Pauline McCarthy Scheving-Thorstenson, Reykjavik - Iceland.

Today I had a moving realization that I would like to share. My husband, Thorsteinn, also thinks new husbands should be aware of this.

This morning I was sitting on a bus going to my physiotherapist. The bus had come early and a few stops later I saw a young man who had just missed the bus running alongside it. Seeing him took me back in time to a memory from my college days. It was three days before my final exams and I was going to a friend's house to study and share some tandoori chicken in yoghurt marinade, which I had in a glass bowl on my lap. My notes were in an attaché case on the luggage rack. I was so intent on not spilling the yoghurt marinade that I got off at my destination and left my attaché case behind. I immediately realized my mistake and starting running after the bus, tandoori chicken and all. In the busy city traf-

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will bow down to you and thank you from the depths of eternity that you could have such faith and go the course of Ruth.

Ruth loves you both so dearly, and all the other women in your position. Just as Tamar could risk her life to continue God's lineage, without this condition we could not proclaim the coming of True Parents. Yes! You are so precious.

But you must release the pain. You must let it out. And when your tears can flow freely you will see that the earth will come alive. Each tear that falls on this foreign land will bring forth new life. You must weep tears of joy, not of bitterness or resentment now. Let the pain come out and all the space that has ached for so long will be filled with rejoicing.

Just as whatever course our Father endured our Mother went as well—you sisters truly can save all others like you. Tell every foreign woman who has left behind home and family, but especially the Japanese sisters, how precious they are to God and the great value of their suffering; they have fulfilled on a cosmic level. Your names will be enshrined in the history of this nation. You are like the Pilgrim mothers who could leave their lives behind to come to a strange and hostile wilderness to establish God's Kingdom. I thank you because God Himself thanks you.

You men must be so grateful to your wives and literally bow down to them because through them not only could your lineage be saved but your nation! And this providential nation of America must bow to these women. Hus-

bands, you must let the other husbands who have been blessed to Ruth know that they must bow to them and liberate their hearts. They have brought tears to fertilize this earth, enriching a parched and dry land. For those that cannot yet understand, you must bow down on their behalf. You will see great and miraculous things take place.

Our great mission is to come as the heralds of the age of the living reality of the love of True Parents. They are the embodiment, the incarnation of true love.

Naomi, who appeared to lose everything, became the ancestor of Jesus because of the faith of one woman who was willing to follow her into her foreign land. And as Ruth followed Naomi, you followed your husbands.

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other's love. And you must gather up every woman who left her homeland for the will of God and let them be washed in a sea of love and be healed. Let them know that in the Kingdom there are no nations, no languages; there is only the nation of true love.

And those whom you have yearned for—shortly you will see them again. And they will bow down before you as Joseph's brothers bowed down before

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fic of Glasgow, Scotland, I could just about catch up with the bus, but just as it was within reach, it would pull away again. After a mile or so I was running out of steam when I suddenly saw the bus company office. The office staff were very helpful and within two hours I was the relieved recipient of a black attaché case, and they were cooing over a beautiful flowering plant I had bought them as a thank you.

As I sat on the bus with a smile on my face, my mind back in Glasgow, I glanced through the window. Where was I? Certainly not in the bustle and noise of Buchanan Street! I focused on a wooden two-dimensional Viking boat fastened to the low roof of a shop. I was in Reykjavik, Iceland!! It suddenly hit me like a ton of bricks. This(!) was now my hometown. Not the beautiful parks of Glasgow or the chatting to strangers at the bus stop or the incredible bakery and sweet shops with all their arrangements of delicious Scottish delicacies. This was now my hometown. It has its own beauty, certainly, and a certain calm that is inevitable in a capital city of only 100,000 people, but it wasn't home. Not really! Not in my heart. Home is where the heart is. I realized that my heart had not yet come to rest in the land of my husband. In fact the vast majority of my heart still lies in Bulgaria, where I had a mission before the Blessing of 30,000 couples, which I had the great fortune to attend. Not a day goes by without my thinking of the brothers and sisters there and the great heart of Bulgaria, the little orphans, and the many experiences my fellow British members and I were privileged to receive during our stay there. Another part of my heart lies in Britain, especially with the MFT members and the stalwarts in Glasgow. I realized that I was not alone in my sojourn in a foreign land. Almost every internationally blessed wife has had or will have a similar experience.

I therefore tell my story for the benefit of all the blessed husbands who

are awaiting the arrival of their foreign wives. I have been very fortunate in that I have a very loving, humble, and dedicated husband. Not perfect, but then neither am I. I also, because of my age, could start family life very quickly around Christmas of '93. Everything happened so quickly. Coming here for the first time, meeting his family and his 8-year-old son for the first time, meeting the Icelandic members and hearing the Icelandic language for the first time. Actually, everything was so new it was like being on holiday but holidays don't last forever and soon I had to get down to the daily life of a wife, witnessing and trying to raise money.

Two months later I was pregnant. Then the morning sickness started (actually most-of-the-day sickness). After a few months the morning sickness had abated but I continued to be plagued with physical problems and emotional hormonal upheavals that left me in a state of exhaustion and confusion. My husband began to think that possibly I had been suppressing this dark side of my personality in an effort to impress him but now was revealing my true character! Last week we attended our first prenatal class and the instructor informed the audience that hormonal emotional imbalance is very common in pregnancy and often leads to the wife crying for no apparent reason, sudden bad tempers and irritability, and in extreme cases, can even lead to divorce. My husband looked at me and with a smile said, "So you are normal after all."

My point is that we new blessed wives are doing our best to fit into a new society, new language, new associates, new food, new culture, new friends, and new husband. I realize now what it must have been like for the Israelites as sojourners in a foreign land. As blessed wives we have to make the foreign land into our homeland, but this takes time! Everything has three stages of growth. Hopefully I should graduate from my foundation stage soon!

I know it is difficult for new husbands too—a new wife, possibly a new

mission, new financial responsibilities, learning to cope with the idiosyncrasies of the female species, trying to understand "woman's troubles," yes! It's not an easy lot being a husband but please spare a thought for your poor wife. Maybe she can't speak the local language, maybe she's shy and can't make new friends easily, maybe the new food is difficult for her to digest, maybe she's not used to taking care of a man. All in all, joining your spouse is not like going somewhere exciting on the front line to do a mission with other familiar brothers and sisters who speak your language and can support each other. It is not like going pioneering either—you don't get pregnant pioneering and have to attend prenatal classes in a foreign language you don't understand and your husband can't interpret words referring to the female body or medical terms.

Each woman is different. Some can cope with some things better than others. I was lucky both my husband and I are not shy together and quickly got to know each other. We both speak some form of English. We communicated regularly and had built up a good relationship before I came. Those who

know me know that I adapt to different situations quickly, but not all sisters are like me. I can't help thinking if it is difficult for me how much more difficult it must be for shy sisters who don't know their spouses so well, who are scared to live in a foreign land, who might be expecting twins or who are completely frustrated and feeling inadequate that they have not yet conceived, who can't speak their husbands' language and don't have a common language to share. Truly if we could all speak Korean we would not have this problem but we still live in the fallen world and we have to cope with the realities of life. Becoming a blessed couple puts you on a different level completely where you have to exercise and stretch your heart like the expanding belly of a pregnant woman, but the benefits are worth it. I can never thank our True Parents enough for this incredible blessing. Sometimes I lay my hand on my husband's head as he sleeps while the baby leaps in my womb, and I cannot stop the tear of joy that escapes from the corner of my eye as I murmur, thank you, Heavenly Father. ♦

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literally means "To me, rice is really good." That's why just

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If you have any questions, comments or suggestions for this cartoon series, please write: Dale Garratt, 501 Cagua SE, Albuquerque, NM 87108.

Healing Homosexuality Stirs Up Seattle

by Irmhild Obinata—Seattle, WA

On Wednesday, Nov. 10, Richard Cohen gave a talk at the Fremont Public Library in Seattle. He had contacted me a month ahead of time and I started preparing. Since Richard had given several talks here in Seattle a couple of years ago, the community knows about him. When I applied for a room at the library, they called me for a meeting.

The staff was really worried about safety and decided to have security at the branch library where we had the presentation. Nancy Oldenettel helped me a lot in contacting people, radio, TV and newspapers. A reporter from a homosexual paper found out about it and wrote a long article which included a call to protest. This made us more aware of what to expect and how to address certain issues. At our Sunday service, I read part of that article to the congregation, after which I had the full support of a group of brothers for security. They were really great and helped with the whole setup. Until the last moment, I hoped to find a sister who would be willing to be the MC, but in the end it was me.

Even though I was shaking, it still was a great experience. We opened the doors at 6:30pm, and at 6:45 the seats were taken, with an additional three rows of people standing against the wall in the back. Later I found out that there were many people who couldn't even get in. The back door which led to the outside was ajar and there was a crowd outside listening.

Richard started his presentation at 7pm. It was very well prepared. He gave a slide presentation on his book, "Alfie's Home," the story of a boy who transitioned from homosexuality to heterosexuality. He also addressed issues like: the agenda, strategies and goals of the homosexual movement, and positive ways in which to promote healing. The slides got everyone's attention, and the interruptions in between didn't get out of hand. One person kept interrupting loudly and was asked by other participants to be quiet or leave. People whom I didn't know oftentimes spoke out in support of what Richard was saying and standing for. At the end of the presentation, an elderly gentleman who is the father of a congressman spoke out

and got everyone's attention.

After the slide show we had time for questions and answers. The majority of questions tried to disprove or attack Richard's presentation, but there were several people who asked questions out of deep concern. These really moved

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my heart. It showed that this presentation had touched their original mind and heart. The person who was so interruptive during the presentation also raised his hand for a question. For a long time I tried to ignore him, because I feared that he would slam Richard. When I finally couldn't ignore him anymore, he said that he really respects Richard for his sincerity in what he is doing and believing in.

Some people who knew Richard from before had questions which hadn't been resolved for years, but this gave Richard a chance to set things straight. In many ways this was truly a great victory in God's healing providence.

The event was covered by a couple of TV and newspaper reporters. In "The Daily," a University of Washington paper, an article appeared on the front page. On Channel 7 it came on the news that evening and the Seattle Times is planning to write an article in conjunction with other happenings on that topic.

Through working with Richard and preparing this event, I really developed a deep appreciation for what he is doing, and even though homosexuality is not something I personally struggle with, I really want to help and support the ministry for homosexuals. When I saw how deeply Richard loves what he is doing and saw his frustration because of financial difficulties, I had to help. Love is the main ingredient in his work as a counselor, as a brother, and in confronting a hostile crowd of homosexuals. I am very grateful that we had him here in Seattle and I hope that we can all make a new determination to save God's children. We have started an "adopt a book" campaign in which we buy "Alfie's Home" and donate it to the libraries and schools in our area. This is one great way to support his work. ♦



by Nancy Oldenettel—Federal Way, WA

When I read the article in the Unification News about Richard Cohen's efforts to provide an alternative to the Rainbow Coalition's collection of children's books, my heart went out to him in admiration and gratitude for the sincerity of his efforts. Richard had been a member of

the Seattle community during the years in which he completed his master's degree.

He spent three years as a volunteer with some of the local programs assisting the needs of the gay community and in so doing developed many personal relationships with those in crisis which I'm sure he will never forget. Based on the foundation of his service to the homosexual community, he began public speaking on the subject of "Healing Homosexuality." At

first it was a small event, but as soon as the local radicals of the gay movement caught wind of Richard's "defection", they went for the throat. Any time Richard sneezed they wrote an article about him to discredit him and falsify the main points of his beliefs.

I was very moved and somewhat concerned when I learned that Richard would be coming again to speak in Seattle on his national tour. There is a large population of gay people in Seattle and the politics here is hot on the topic of gay couples' rights to adopt and to have artificial insemination. I have watched this movement grow over the years the alarming point that it is at now. Though I have worked with many homosexuals throughout the years and I have considered many to be my friends, I was still not prepared for the reaction which I received when I contacted local Christian and New Age counselors who I hoped would find Richard's talk of interest to them. I did not realize how much the theory that people are born gay has permeated the thinking of even religious-minded people. This is why the Lutheran Church could publicly change its policy toward gay sex and declare support for them and their lifestyle.

After attempting to find support for the idea of healing homosexuality, I would hang up the phone and feel absolutely drained. My head began to ache. I cried without being able to stop. I realized that this is an incredible spiritual war. This may be the front line.

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In the past it was communism. This reminded me of the days when we reached out to find a handful of people to come to CAUSA meetings. Then the communists would dress up in strange outfits and come to the meetings to cause chaos and to intimidate the speaker. Richard is confronted with exactly the same behavior. This tells

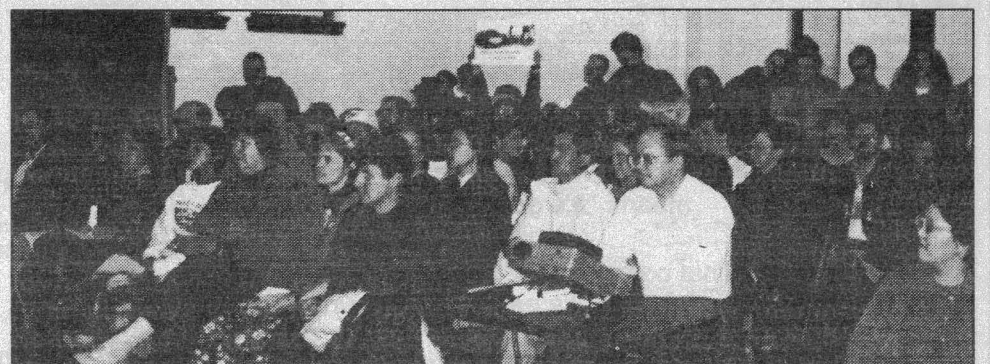
me that the war zone has changed. This war zone is not halfway around the world; it is in our very homes and neighborhoods. It is coming through the television, the school system, and benign neglect.

This is why Tribal Messiahs are important. Spread out in communities throughout the United States, we are the ones who have been trained to stand up against the darkness. I have heard many brothers and sisters say, "He'll never accomplish anything this way. The gays don't want to listen anyway." This is because we have such an external way of judging success. Numbers are great, but there is a greater dimension which can only be tapped through prayer. God is so excited when someone pierces the wall of ignorance with the weapons of love, truth and indemnity. To receive persecution means to pay lots of heartistic indemnity. This is the weapon that mobilizes the spiritual world, so they can act.

In prayer I felt legions of angels and spirit men mobilized to support Richard's work. It was exciting! Who ever thought there would be an end to communism when we had seminars with three people attending? Communism seemed monolithic. Remember? It fell because of spiritual conditions. Let's not forget so easily. It seems silly for me to remind the readers about these points, but I have heard and seen the result of this attitude among our war-weary members.

Richard's approach is very loving but requires great courage. I think of the lines we so often repeat: "I will go into the enemy camp until I have judged them completely with the weapons with which God has been defeating the enemy Satan for me, throughout the course of history, by sowing sweat for earth, blood for heaven and tears for man, as a father but in the shoes of a servant." Thank you, Richard. You give me more courage to face the challenge of saving this nation, and I have been reminded that the battle begins with our internal foundation of prayer and sincere tears for our nation's young people. ♦

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ADOPT-A-BOOK CAMPAIGN

Countering Homosexual Influences on Children

by Richard Cohen—Washington, DC

Did you ever wonder how the pro-homosexual children's books such as *Daddy's Roommate*, *Heather Has Two Mommies*, and *Gloria Goes to Gay Pride* got into our public schools, public libraries and social institutions? Did all these organizations actually purchase copies of these books?

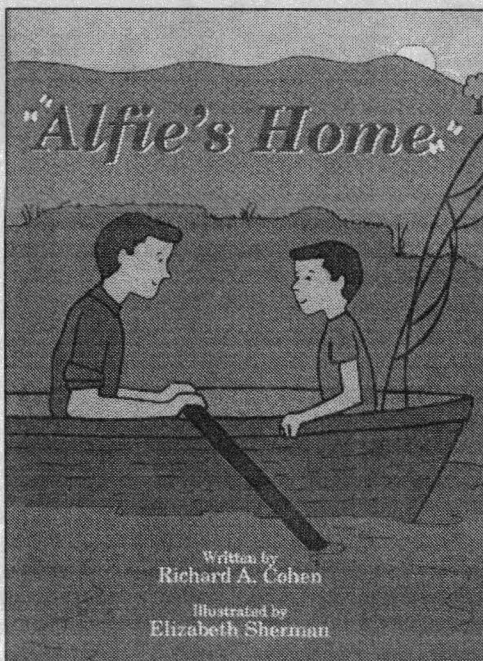
The answer is unequivocally, NO! Most of these books were purchased by members of the homosexual community and then donated to promote the acceptance of homosexuality. That is how and why they have been so widely distributed and publicized.

Now there is hope for healing homosexuality, as presented in the new children's book *Alfie's Home*. This is the story of a boy who struggles with homosexuality and then transitions naturally into heterosexuality after finding help and experiencing his parents' love. It was written by Richard Cohen, psychotherapist, educator and director of

the International Healing Foundation. He himself has transitioned from homosexual to heterosexual.

In order to present another view of homosexuality, IHF is now launching a nationwide Adopt-A-Book campaign, encouraging all concerned citizens to purchase many copies of *Alfie's Home* and donate them to your local public libraries, public schools, social and religious institutions.

Alfie's Home is the first resource of its kind for teachers, parents, students, counselors, pastors and anyone interested in helping children and adults heal their sexual



identity. This is the first in a series of children's books describing the various causes of homosexuality and how change takes place.

Please join us in saving our children from further heartaches. Let us set all God's children free.

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When Children Get Very Sick

by Beverly Tidwell

Since our four-year-old son William was diagnosed in May with a malignant brain tumor, I've thought about writing and sharing something with readers of the Unification News about my experience. I know other parents have children who preceded them to the spiritual world, and others have children with serious ill-

nesses, so I would like to take this opportunity to network with parents in similar situations.

Tribal Messiahship has taken many of us to smaller towns and Unification communities, so the feelings of isolation are compounded. My husband and I are involved in Candlelighters, an organization of parents whose children have cancer, but of course most people understand little of what we do regarding spiritual principles. Nonethe-

less, they have helped us in other ways.

First, as basic idealists, we have been struck by this in many ways at the deepest part of our hearts. We have quickly put our priorities in order. This is a whole-family

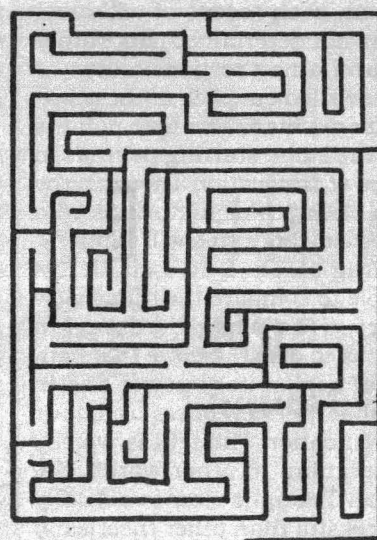
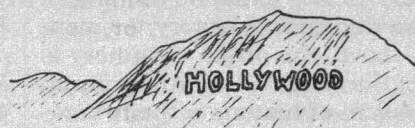


FOR KIDS

by Françoise



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experience. My husband Stephen's parents, who live here in Tucson, have helped tremendously, and William's sisters, who are five and two years old respectively, have been through a lot; we also had a new baby boy in July, so our family has had a roller-coaster summer, requiring patience and empathy in our relationships. My mother has come from New Zealand for six months to help, so this has brought the family together.

There are many unanswered questions any parent would have in these circumstances: Why us? Why our son? How did this happen? I don't know the answers and feel this is a condition of offering at this stage.

William runs around like any other four-year-old so it is difficult to believe he has what the scans show us. When True Mother spoke in Phoenix, we were able to spend a little time with her, which was lovely. I feel grateful to have time to impart what we feel important with our children. If you have a minute to offer a prayer for William, we would be grateful. Thank you and God bless everyone's effort for providential victory!

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◆ CONTEMPLATING UNIFICATION THOUGHT ◆

History

The Unification Thought Theory of History appears rather different from other theories of history, a fact that should not be too surprising for those familiar with other sections of Unification Thought. And, as with the other sections, this need not necessarily cause us to doubt its validity, but it does seem to cause some difficulty for academics who are asked to address this theory. At the recent ICUS conferences in which I participated in the Unification Thought Committee, both participants who were asked to address the Theory of History spent almost all their time discussing their own theory of history, somewhat to the dismay of the respondent who had hoped they would address the Unification Thought position!

This reluctance to address the Unification Thought theory, however, does not detract from the value of the position. I cannot claim to be an expert on history, in fact it is an area that I must admit not only lack of knowledge but also lack of interest. I long ago realized I had no talent for remembering names and dates of kings, battles, etc., which is what history was made of when I was in high school. My colleague at UTS, Dr. Michael Mickler, on the other hand, is well qualified to judge theories of history. At the Seventh International Symposium on Unification Thought in 1990, he concluded that the Unification Thought theory of history offers a needed corrective to three contemporary approaches to history: (1) anti-historical tendencies within Christian interpretations of history which, while emphasizing God's role in history, ultimately lead to a view of despair; (2) reductionist tendencies within speculative philosophies of history which attempt to reduce all history to a single explanatory law; and (3) the parochialism of contemporary historiography which has moved away from a universal view of history to narrowly defined topics with explanations limited to the particular culture, time, etc. Sounds good to me!

So, now what does the Unification Thought Theory of History actually say? Well, the fundamental premise is theological: God created the world according to certain laws but the first human ancestors fell away from God, breaking God's commandment, and brought

about a world of sin. History, therefore, has been sinful history and not God's original plan. However, God has not abandoned sinful human beings but has worked through a history of "re-creation" and "restoration" to re-create human beings in their original sinless form and to restore the world to its original ideal state. The Theory of History is thus the section of Unification Thought which really addresses the results of the human fall and the course of restoration; the other sections focus almost entirely on the ideal.

The second feature of this theory of history is the claim that history is governed by laws. While this is not a new idea, to date no theory of history has succeeded in specifying laws of history that have real explanatory power. For example, Marx's historical materialism has been shown to be false by events in recent history. Isaac Asimov's laws of "psychohistory" hold true only in the realm of science fiction, alas! Reductionist views which attempt to find a single universal law or principle guiding history fail to explain

the complexity that is evident in human history. Unification Thought, on the other hand, has a multitude of laws which operate singly and together to predict complex patterns in history.

Finally, the Unification Thought view of history clearly explains the origin, direction and goal of history. As mentioned above, the origin of history is the creation and fall of humankind, and the goal of history is the realization of the ideal world of creation. However, while the goal of history is determined, the process of attaining this goal is not determined, but rather depends on human responsibility.

Now, let us look at each of these features in more detail. The first point is basically the same starting point as in all theories of Unification Thought: the existence of God. For historians who deny God's existence this will surely be a stumbling block. But, I challenge such people to compare their final view of history with what Unification Thought has to offer. I believe that both in terms of explanatory power and in the hope that this view offers us for our future, Unification Thought is worthy of consideration. In other words, the Unification Thought view is actually more successful than other theories in explaining history, which is surely an important criterion in choosing a theory. Additionally, the view of history offered is one that provides real hope for the future, explaining that history to date has been full of war, suffering, and evil because of the human fall, but that this will not continue. Instead, a new history in which the ideal original world will be established, in which all people and God will be happy. If you

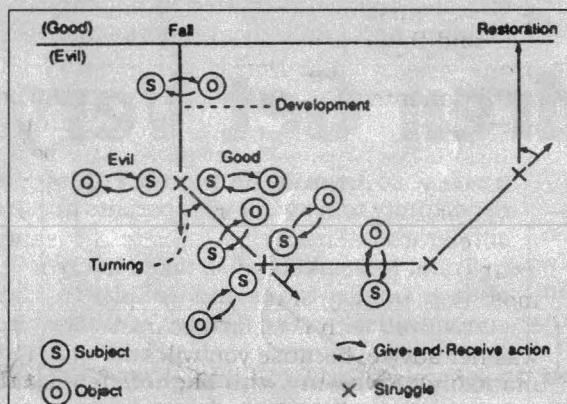


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were asked to choose between that future and the future promised by others, which would you choose?

The second feature is that history is governed by laws. In the Unification Thought theory there are two types of laws: Laws of Creation and Laws of Restoration. The texts on Unification Thought detail seven laws of each type. The Laws of Creation are (1) the Law of Correlativity, (2) the Law of Give-and-Receive Action, (3) the Law of Repulsion, (4) the Law of Dominion by the Center, (5) the Law of Comple-



tion through Three Stages, (6) the Law of the Period of the Number Six, and (7) the Law of Responsibility. The Laws of Restoration consist of (1) the Law of Indemnity, (2) the Law of Separation, (3) the Law of the Restoration of the Number Four, (4) the Law of Conditioning Providence, (5) the Law of the False Preceding the True, (6) the Law of the Horizontal Appearance of the Vertical, and (7) the Law of Synchronous Providence. Also, the Laws of Repulsion, Indemnity and Separation work together to change the direction of history (see diagram) and are known collectively as the Law of Turning or the Law of the Struggle between Good and Evil.

Now the usual reaction to this list of laws is, why so many? Indeed, when faced with the task of lecturing on the theory of History it can be quite a challenge to present fourteen laws without losing sight of the forest in the trees. But, again, if there were only one or two laws, would that really be sufficient to explain the complexities of human history? I don't think so. While initially it may seem overly complicated, a theory of history with multiple, interacting laws is necessary to describe reality in all its complexity.

The next problem with the laws is, where do they come from? Now, anyone familiar with *Divine Principle* should be able to recognize these laws fairly easily. However, that does not provide enough of a basis for philosophers of history. Dr. Lee has responded to such questions by detailing how the Laws of Creation are developed from the The-

ory of the Original Image and Ontology, and further explains that the Laws of Restoration are not entirely different from the Laws of Creation but are those laws the other way round (see *Unification Thought Supplementary Materials*).

This leads to a question raised recently by a student at UTS: why do we need two types of laws? My response came quite clearly. There are two types of laws because of the fall. The Laws of Restoration would not have been necessary had there been no fall. In fact, those laws will no longer be required after restoration is accomplished. From that time on history will follow the original pattern and only the Laws of Creation will operate. Why do we need Laws of Creation? Because history, whether fallen or original, operates according to laws. The Laws of Creation are those which were originally intended to guide human history, and human history will not stop after restoration is complete, but rather will continue developing eternally as the original world develops. I am happy

to realize that the original ideal world is not a static place where there is no more history because everything has been accomplished. After the fallen, sinful history is over, human history will be just at the beginning, and that history will be much more exciting and enjoyable. Perhaps even I could become interested in history then!

My conclusion is that if we are to accept a law-governed view of history, and since it makes more sense to assume that since everything else God created operates according to laws and principles

that history would too, then these laws should be consistent with our understanding of God and creation. Unification Thought is always consistent in this way, and so again, for those who find the assumption hard to accept in a particular section, you just have to read the whole book to understand!

The final feature of this view of history is the clarification of the origin, direction and goal of history. Unification Thought presents a deterministic view of the goal of history, i.e. that the ideal world of creation will be realized. However, the process by which that goal is achieved, meaning how, when, where and by whom, depends on human responsibility.

Critics of Unification Thought have often protested that this is still determinism and how can you maintain free will for human beings and at the same time claim that God's ideal must be established. Such scholars are claiming the right of human beings to have the

freedom to choose to be evil, sinful and selfish! And, in some sense, Unification Thought recognizes that right, but nonetheless states that eventually good leaders will succeed in turning the course of history back to the original direction. At that point people have the freedom to choose the course of goodness and development of the ideal, or to continue living according to selfish desires. Unification Thought does not say when the ideal will be realized, only that history will reach that turning point, based on the operation of the

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Unification Thinking in Moscow

by Dr. Donna Ferrantello—Moscow

Here in Moscow, many intellectuals and educators are searching for a new vision to replace the outdated communist ideology. Our mission is beginning to bring the good news in more than one way. Unification Thought is a philosophical worldview whose time has come, especially for the post-communist intelligentsia.

The text *Essentials of Unification Thought* (1992), originally published in Seoul, Korea by the Unification Thought Institute, is now translated

into Russian and will be published by the International Educational Foundation here in Moscow. Under the guidance of Peter Ladstaetter, vice president of the IEF, Russian translators have been at work on a number of materials for our mission.

A curriculum textbook published by the Ministry of Higher Education will include a chapter from the EUT, "The Theory of Original Nature," as part of an anthology on the psychosocio-bio-physical nature of the human being. The question "What is the nature of the human being?" is a popular topic among seminar discussions in philosophy, psychology and religion these

days.

We held the first Unification Thought Training Seminar, Aug. 21-22, for Moscow area lecturers. The seminar was organized by Dr. David Carlson, Rev. Anthony Ferrantello and myself. Dr. Carlson presented lectures on Original Image/Ontology, Epistemology/Logic, Theory of History and Methodology. Rev. Ferrantello presented a lecture and slide presentation on Theory of Art, and I presented a lecture on Original Human Nature.

Among the participants who attended the training session held at the Leninsky Prospect CARP center were: Rev. Martin Meier, director of the CARP center; Rev. Bob Beebe, director of St. Petersburg church; Rev. Thomas Phillips, church director; Rev. Linda Shapiro, national workshop lecturer; Nate Windman, director of national education; Prof. Rimma Golubera of St. Petersburg State University; and Valery Yemelyanov of the Moscow Institute of Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology. A lovely luncheon was prepared and discussions were very lively.

Participants suggested that Unification Theological Seminary students in Barrytown, N.Y. submit their research and writing for future work here. It was also thought that more UTS professors should come over for lecturing and UT seminars in the

future. Generally speaking, we felt that UTS could benefit from the exchange with the Russian mission and that the Moscow mission, in turn, could benefit from the exchange of resources and people from our seminary.

During the next two months, I taught a graduate-level course at Moscow State University on Values in Education and the World (Original Human Nature, Science and Philosophy, World Religions and American Religious History). The guest presentations by Rev. Ferrantello, A.I.A., on Art, Architecture and Morality were inspiring for all, and he was invited as a guest lecturer in both the Art and Advanced Studies departments.

These were the actual beginnings of Unification Thought in Moscow. Our Ferrantello home was in Park Kulturi ("Park of Culture") situated near the homes of Tolstoy, Turgenev and Pushkin—the Central Artists' Museum, Gorky Park and the Friedrich Engels statue (where our golden retriever dog, Champion, always ferociously barked at the ominous black figure!) We hope that more and more Unificationists will cross the Atlantic to contribute to the promising and ever-expanding Russian mission.

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Reflections on a Blessed Families and Tribal Messiahship Conference

by Robert Kittel—Barrytown NY

We were educated, nurtured, challenged and above all in dialogue as a community of blessed families, when the Hudson Valley Blessed Family Association sponsored a half-day conference which dealt with two pertinent topics in our church today: the privilege of being a blessed family and the mission of tribal messiahship.

Two main speakers, Dr. Hugh Spurgin and Dr. Edwin Ang, spoke at length on the topics "Personal Reflections on Tribal Messiahship" and "Tribal Messiahship and Total Quality Management", respectively. After this a lively panel discussion, headed by Mr. Farley Jones, Dr. Shawn Byrne and Mrs. Alexa Ward, took place.

Dr. Spurgin urged us to think in terms of "both/and" instead of "either/or" in our relationship to non-Unificationists. We are called to balance the vertical with the horizontal dimensions of life. Our relationship to the "outside world" vis-a-vis our church should not be in terms of "us" versus "them". We must be successful both within our movement as well as in our vocation.

Human resources, Dr. Ang reminded us, are more important than natural resources. It is for this reason that Total Quality Management very closely relates to the first and second blessings in *Divine Principle*. The aim of any company should not be for monetary profit, but to serve people. In this way, said Dr. Ang, a business can show its love, because it is then living for the sake of others.

The social ills of New York City are

infecting the capital district in Albany. Opening the panel discussion, Mr. Farley Jones expressed a sense of urgency in our mission as tribal messiahs and said that we should have a two-pronged approach: *Divine Principle* education integrated with broadbased networking.

Mrs. Alexa Ward gave her personal testimony about living in her hometown for the past six years. Getting involved with the community affairs of your hometown, she said, was the most natural way of meeting people. "Get involved with their involvement" was her advice, because you will automatically be working with like-minded

people." On the foundation of these genuine relationships, people will naturally inquire about the church, its teachings or its founder.

The forty or so participants of the HVBFA conference were challenged by Dr. Shawn Byrne's opening remarks. It was a prophet's call for our Hudson Valley community to establish "missionary church-

es." The UTS chaplain said Unification Church should not exist for its own sake, and questioned why we need a separate church building in Red Hook, when the seminary itself has such beautiful facilities.

Dr. Byrne's comments sparked a genuine discussion; questions were sincere and comments relevant. The atmosphere during the one-hour give-and-take was not patient indulgence, but serious concern. We as blessed couples are called to be tribal messiahs. We could learn, share and recommit ourselves, individually and collectively, to this historic task. The lively discussion continued over a pizza supper, followed by a variety of enticing desserts. ♦

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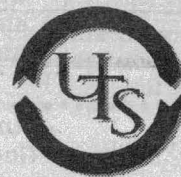
Good Morning, God

Good morning, God!
Last night I went to sleep like
many of the human race;
I awoke this morning
by your grace.
On Sunday to Mass

I will make haste,
There to get down on my knees,
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your wondrous ways,
Or just to say
"Good morning, God."

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NBC Irresponsibility with Today Show Coverage

by Robert Gordon—Ellenwood, GA

This is the text of a letter sent to Ms. Susan Friedman of NBC News.

I am writing to you in response to a program shown on the Today Show on November 8th and on NOW on November 17th that featured an incident between Cathryn Mazer and members of her family. I am a Phi Beta Kappa, magna cum laude graduate of Morehouse college here in Atlanta. I am a member of the Golden Key National Honor society, majored in philosophy and was a member of the Morehouse College Glee Club. I am 23 years old and have been a member of the Unification church for almost 5 years.

I watched both of the above named programs for myself and I have to say that I am outraged at the slanted view presented about our church. It seems as though the situation was deliberately misrepresented and made to appear as though the difficulties that the family encountered were the universal experience of all relatives of people who join the Unification church.

This presentation was especially irritating to me in light of what I consider to be some of the phenomenal accomplishments and activities of Rev. Moon, many of which are outlined in the supplemental material that accompanied this letter. The American people are not informed about such things.

The emphasis was overwhelmingly towards an unfavorable view of the Unification church. Even though our president (Dr. James Baughman) was on the Today Show to rebut some of the accusations, it was obvious to me that the story from the beginning was not objective. The program was introduced as "...every parents nightmare...". You portrayed sobbing, tearful parents who were told that they would receive an "academy award" if they could rescue their daughter from the "Moonies". How insidious to lead the American population to believe that Cathryn was to be likened to a prisoner of war in need of rescue!

You presented Ms. Kristen Reed (who's involvement with the church lasted for only 1 month!) who Ms. Couric had introduced as having bro-

ken "away from that cult". How insinuating to suggest that Ms. Reed was being held against her will! You had Mr. Steve Hassan a former member of the Unification Church (who was in the church 20 years ago!) and now deprogrammer charge that the church was "...a dangerous and destructive cult..." and likened Rev. Moon to David Koresh and Jim Jones.

The way Ms. Kristen Reed met the church is not the way I met the church. When I met a missionary from the Unification Church I was told up front that this was the Unification Church. Ironically I had not heard the sensational media accounts about the church. I had heard of the term "Moonie", but I did not associate this with the Unification Church. When I went to hear my first presentations given by the church, the first thing that the presenter said to me was that the teachings that I was about to hear were the teachings of the Rev. Sun Myung Moon. At that point I did get a bit apprehensive because I made the connection between Unification Church and "Moonie". However, I listened to what the person had to say and judged for myself.

After this initial encounter I went to the public library and did my own research on the organization. I read all the negative accounts. However, There was one book that was written somewhat objectively called *The Making of a Moonie* by Eileen Barker. By reading that book I had more of a balanced view of how the church operated and had some idea of what to expect.

I went to various workshops and heard their entire teachings. After studying for several months I decided to join. I was (and still am) happy that I had made such a decision. I even told my friends at the Seventh-Day Adventist church where I worshipped and I looked forward to explaining my decision to my parents. However, word got back to my home before I could tell my parents. My mother received an hysterical phone call from someone saying, "You have to rush down to Atlanta...Robert has joined a cult!" My mother called me at my dorm room, she was crying and asking me if I had shaved my head and was wearing a uniform.

This impression that my mother had

but also on human responsibility. For God can prepare good people to play important roles in history, but they must fulfill their own portion of responsibility in order to succeed in that mission. Similarly, when a good leader appears the people must choose whether or not to follow and change history for the better.

People will always be free to choose, that is part of the nature God gave us. The problem has been that we have not

was ridiculous. Due to irresponsible, yellow journalism my mother was convinced that I had joined the International Society for Krishna Consciousness (not to disrespect that group, but obviously my mother was confused.) At that point in time I went home to New York for summer break. I went alone, no Unification Church members accompanied me and no Unification Church members tried to restrain me. I went home to meet with concerned Adventist church members, family members and pastors who had information about the Unification church and were trying to persuade me to reconsider my decision.

They were unsuccessful. I went back to Atlanta to finish my degree. Since then I have visited New York several times to see my family and my mother has visited Atlanta several times to see me. There was no attempt to hide anything from her. She met with church members and visited the church while she was here in 1992. However since the decision was made to air this Today Show program again during prime-time T.V., my mother saw it. All of her negativity was revived. She called me on the telephone and I explained the situation as I saw it. My mother would not listen to me, we could not communicate at all.

How sad this situation was for me! My own parents will not believe a word that I say about the church. You and the rest of the opportunistic media were successful. You have successfully indoctrinated my family so that even though I have a degree in philosophy, the most analytical of all disciplines (which also develops the ability to think critically) and even though I graduated from the alma mater of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., and even though I excelled to the highest levels of academic achievement...to my parents I am a mindless zombie!

In this case it is not the Unification Church that is responsible for the breakdown in communication in this family, *it is the irresponsible, yellow journalism about our church that has done so!* While I was in school I was also a

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full time volunteer living in the church center. The members here at the church center where I volunteer have families, children and careers. They are some of the most wonderful people I have ever met in my life. I am proud of my membership in the Unification Church and of my faith.

My parents accepted my choice to be married by Rev. Moon. They do not agree with it, but they do accept the fact that I am an adult, responsible for my own decisions. I am proud of my decision to have Rev. Moon suggest my spouse and I am happy about my wife.

There are a few things that I would like to ask of you:

1) Why was the term "Moonie" used after being expressly told before the program went on the air that this was considered a pejorative and inappropriate term and would be considered to be just as derogatory as if you called me (an African-American) a nigger?

2) Why was the word cult used in reference to our church when it was expressed that the word cult would give an inaccurate impression to the T.V. audience and would be very offensive to our church members?

3) What sincere effort was made to get a student who was satisfied and pleased with their church membership (such as myself) to balance the image presented by Ms. Kristen Reed?

4) Is there any interest in producing a balanced presentation about our church?

5) Why was the decision made (and who made it?) to air the program a second time during prime-time television, especially since Cathryn had already returned home to her family, thus accomplishing the "original objective" of the program in the first place? I have offered to you evidence to suggest that the way the Unification Church was portrayed is just not the way it is. I have enclosed various documents to verify my personal claims and I respectfully await your reply, for I would like to hear your side of the story. ♦

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laws of history.

Thus, the Unification Thought claim that a world of goodness will be established is not based on faith alone. The laws of history provide the mechanism by which this is to be accomplished. And this mechanism depends for its fulfillment not just on God's activity

cal, physical aspects of life (*Hyung Sang*); a world in which the leaders are experts in the power of the mind (*Sung Sang*); and a world in which all elements are somehow united into one living organism with group consciousness, but supervised by robots. The conclusion of course is that none of these is ideal. My conclusion? Asimov has understood so much of the truth of the way the world operates, but without knowing God and the reality of the human fall he can never find the solution.

Unification Thought thus appears to me to be such a great truth, combining the knowledge that has been gained through scientific endeavor with an understanding of God and God's purpose for creation. The view of history is surely an example of how this great truth can be applied to all areas of life, explaining the past and giving us hope for the future. If the Unification Thought theory of history is true, we can restore the sinful past by following the Laws of Restoration and create the ideal by following the Laws of Creation. Let's give it a try! ♦

So the problem is not the laws, or the control by some creator, but our fallen nature. This is well in illustrated Isaac Asimov's fictional accounts of a world governed by the laws of "psychohistory." Asimov, a renowned scientist and atheist, realized that while human beings have selfish motives (fallen nature) there is no way to establish an ideal society. In his book, *Foundation's Edge*, he presents three possibilities: a world in which the leaders are expert in the material, technologi-

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Hometown and that Job Search

by Alan Jessen—Cedar Falls, IA

OK, so you are in your Hometown—or preparing to go—(finally!). Now what? The economy stinks; your family doesn't have any businesses that you can "join"; there is no UC enterprise available or to your liking; you are 10-20 years behind your classmates in building your "career"; your savings are dwindling and you can't stand the idea of fundraising forever.

Cheer up! You are not alone, there are lots of us across the country going thru this process. In addition there are millions of people who have been dislocated due to the upheavels in our economy: they are scared, lacking confidence etc. So be positive and with

faith and by working smartly, you WILL find a good job, or an opportunity to pursue your goals. Because of all the attention to job seekers, there is a lot of information out there. While no one has the last word and each of us is different, I found the whole process to be a valuable experience and I hope that some of what I can say here is of value to you as well.

I recently came to my hometown in Iowa from California under many of the conditions above. I moved into my parents home with my family of 4 and immediately began what is called a "strategic job search campaign." Within 3 weeks I had 5 good possibilities and my wife had a month contract to substitute teach at the school where my children attend. By 7 weeks after I had arrived in late August, I had accepted my first job as a Community Planner with a regional government body. I attribute this success to the simple fact of believing in myself and following a formula.

According to an excellent book, "Work in the New Economy: Careers and job seeking into the 21st Century", by Robert Wegmann, the job search is crucial. "Amidst the rapid change of our economy, there is a low technology and cost effective solution that can help people get ahead. It is, simply, *to learn more effective methods for getting a good job.* Substantial economic benefits can go to those who use more effective career planning and job seeking techniques. *People can get better jobs and do so in less time.* (italics

mine) And they will know how to move up to new jobs and opportunities."

What are the reasons for this? Most people are a bit lazy, lack the confidence to boldly market themselves, and have not prepared themselves well enough. Those who are prepared will stand out. Make no mistake about it, finding a good job is a full-time effort at marketing and selling yourself. It can be hard yes, but also fun!

Here's what I did:

1) EARLY PREPARATION

I found it necessary to begin thinking about myself from an occupational point of view: what kind of person am I, what am I best at doing, what skills do I have, what do I enjoy doing most, etc. An excellent book is the classic by Nelson Bolles, "What color is your

parachute"

2) WHEN YOU START YOUR JOB SEARCH

Read 3-4 of the best books on the subject that you can find at your local library. It was invaluable for me to absorb information about the economy, techniques, what employers look for, mistakes to avoid, what works for others etc. This gears you up for the fight ahead, boosts your confidence that you know what you are about, and focuses your efforts. *Read!* I didn't know for example that 40% of the jobs that are filled come from informal sources—people that the employer knows or who are referred to him by others. The next highest source is from job seekers who directly contact the employers.

3) DEVELOP A POWERFUL RESUME

Get help or read books for this all important aspect of the job search.

4) WRITE DOWN YOUR CAMPAIGN STRATEGY

This was mine:

a) Mail a "friendship" letter to all my friends or friends of my family telling them that I am back, I am excited at this new stage of my life and that I would appreciate any help they can give me. Call each one and follow up all leads.

b) Mail an "introduction" letter of myself to selected list of largest employers in the area (or whatever your target is). Call each one and ask for interviews or referrals. This can be done over and over again to different targeted groups until you get the job you're looking for.

c) Respond to all classified job offerings with minimal effort by using mostly generic cover letters with your resume.

d) Other efforts included: print an "I am looking for work" business card; visit local rotary club; contact temporary agencies.

Personally, I found the letter writing to be a very effective technique. I could not have done it without this book: "200 Letters for Job Hunting", by William S. Frank. It gave me all kinds of creative, bold ideas on how to get attention. I got very positive responses, including one very good job offer from an unsolicited letter and follow up phone call.

5) THE INTERVIEW—again I suggest to read up on it.

The job that I took came from a referral by a personal contact but I believe that I won it through the interview. Here's how it happened: The position was with a Regional Council of Government (a non-profit group) as a community planner.

According to the job description, I did not have the appropriate academic qualifications. So I spent 4-5 hours researching the area of community/regional planning to be as conversant as I could be. I called on university professors to inquire about their courses, I went to the library to read up on

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Packaging the Truth for the TV Generation

by Steve Honig—New York City

'Mom! There's nothin' to do," said Johnny one rainy afternoon, "Can I watch *The Killer Zombies from Neptune* on TV?"

"Wouldn't you rather watch the new video I brought you?" the mother replied. "It has a nice man in a nice gray suit standing at a nice green chalk board giving a nice talk. He even uses different colored chalk sometimes."

"Sure Mom! Oh boy, I just love lectures. They're so important and so stimulating. Thanks for thinking of me. You're the greatest!"

Is this a conversation heard daily at your house? It's not? Well then, perhaps you'll find some significance in what we're doing here in the Children's Department at Manhattan Center.

There's no question that straight and direct truth is crucial to spiritual growth. So criticism of lectures is not intended. There are also parents who carefully scrutinize what programs or videos their children watch. God bless you. But there aren't many options that teach principled values.

Electronic media is a great and growing form in the transmission of information. More significantly, it's pretty effective in teaching not only educational material but significant social and moral values as well.

The truth is, a spoon full of sugar does help the medicine go down and a message of sacrificial love is a little hard to swallow sometimes. What good is saying something important if no one hears it? How strong a dose of medicine can a child's metabolism handle? Though our efforts should never cease to teach straight Divine Principle to our children, we need to give them something they can digest. This can come in the same form already being used to teach popular culture and popular immorality to the masses. It is for this reason that Hyo Jin Nim is producing music, videos and now children's stories for the second generation to grow up with.

Popular music, popular movies and TV, popular fashion, art, poetry, dance,

theater and fine art can all be used to instill true values instead of pulling young people away from them. We can help the second generation to want to stay involved. Through children's books and videos we can give our children a new set of heroes and heroines, roll models to look up to and a new library of fairy tales to influence the values in their developing minds.

Hyo Jin Nim's goal is not only to teach Divine Principle, but also to create a culture that maintains a life style where the norms and values are based on principled ideas. Our children will never live a cloistered life so we need to create a stimulating culture for them. It needs to be true and good but also interesting and entertaining.

So here at Manhattan Center we have begun the process. Our first three children's videos are complete and three more are nearing completion. Full animation requires 18 to 24 pictures per second. We're not ready for that quite yet. So the method we are now using is something between animation and simple illustration. Perhaps you've seen children's picture books on video tape where the narrator reads a story as the camera pans across the picture or zooms into a particular character or

scene. With computer technology we've added to that process including some simple motion and special effects. The results are professional and fun and when Hyo Jin Nim showed the tapes at Belvedere recently the members really enjoyed them. Hyo Jin Nim plans to have us doing full animation within a year and Father has said he wants us to compete with Disney. We need to think at least that big if we want to influence the second gen-

eration in a significant way.

We now have six full time illustrators and a couple of writers. We also have been receiving stories from members outside Manhattan Center and

much larger source of undesirable content. The popular shows glorify disrespectful little boys and a family environment we can, at best, laugh at. Prime time programs give our kids advanced training in sarcasm. Where's the respect? Has any young American outside our movement even heard the words *filial piety*? Many children's shows, although not blatantly unprincipled, are pure entertainment with no significant message. And then there's the issue of romantic love.

What have most of the great classic animated movies done in regards to "true love"? They equate it with romantic love. But, because of Father's inspiration, we know better. Now for all you Blessed couples out there, I hope you feel love for each other far greater than any cartoon character. But think of

the perspective on love the movies give our children, even if there is no sexual content. Romantic love above parents, above country, above all else. Things always happen in the wrong order. It's great to glorify love but only with the right perspective. Otherwise it will only serve to confuse young lovers at best and, more likely, lead them astray.

Is what we're doing with videos and music a subtle form of brainwashing? Not really. The point is we don't want their little brains to get dirty in the first place. We want to offer an alternative to

the multitude of stimulation already out there leading young people in the wrong direction. We have truth, but we need to provide the stimulation as well. Otherwise we create a generation gap with terrible consequences. We must, in a sense, seduce them away from seduction.

We need to make the truth attractive. We read in Divine Principle how intellect, emotion and will correspond to truth, beauty and goodness. We need to appeal to intellect and emotion with truth and beauty and then the will kicks in so people do goodness. If we don't reach the whole person, we won't be effective. We need to help the second generation to stay involved. It's either that or we build monasteries.

"The brave and handsome Prince married the beautiful Princess and they rode off together into the sunset. And they did it with God's Blessing." The End.

If you feel you would like to support these efforts in any way please contact us at Manhattan Center. We can always use more good stories or even ideas for stories. We also need help with other aspects from editing to artwork to video technicians.

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The Empty CAN

The conversation regarding deprogramming normally focuses upon what the Cult Awareness Network saves people from, and never deals with the question of what CAN saves people to. What CAN saves people to is the American secular society, the values of which serve as the standard by which CAN judges religions. Success in America is CAN's alternative to religion; it is what CAN saves people to.

Thus, CAN has nothing constructive to say, other than repeat slogans stemming out of the secular-humanist version of what America is all about.

CAN is, in this sense, a manipulative version of American culture-religion.

The scars which result from the CAN tradition of kidnapping are obvious. Those who were kidnapped and forcibly deprogrammed may have succumbed and left their chosen faith, but the price was high: lifelong scars of distrust and fear of their own parents and family. This, plus the fulfillment of duty on the part of law-enforcement agencies to put these CAN-artists in jail, has stimulated the development of a new method to obtain the same result: "exit-counseling."

It's more gentle and subtle, but the scars of exit-counseling are more insid-



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ious. It results in conformists, people straight-jacketed out of the power to consider anything which really questions our cultural assumptions.

But it is obvious that our society is in need of a deep and radical change. Such change will come, or we will go the way of the Roman Empire. CAN, unfortunately, is dedicated to cutting off the possibility of creating new models.

Reinventing Government?

Our society needs to change; Mr. Clinton was elected because he promised he would bring changes. Mrs. Clinton openly cries out for new values to undergird our society. But are these leaders willing to consider that such changes may come from an unexpected source, a source lacking legitimization and social credentials? Cannot these leaders see that such changes can come from no other place?

Consider the following excerpts from a new publication, entitled *Critical Intelligence*. The first is written by its editor, Daniel Burstein. (editor of *Critical Intelligence*, is the author of three books on global political-economy.)

And what of "reinventing government?" Vice President Al Gore's report is terrific. Everything

in it should be done tomorrow. Indeed, it should have been done yesterday, and last year, and a decade ago. It is so obvious, it should not even necessitate a report.

But will those sins be eliminated? Probably not.

This plan, too, fails to get to the heart of the issues that have brought it into verbal vogue. Why does government need to be reinvented—and what has prevented it from being reinvented up until now?

Mr. Burstein continues on the theme that incremental changes will not help; that the Clinton administration must "Get down to the root causes and core problems." Another contributor to CI, Richard D. Lamm, (former Governor of Colorado, serves as the head of the Center for Public Policy & Contemporary Issues at the University of Denver) continues the same theme:

We have gone so many generations without the hardship or need to sacrifice that we have likely lost the ability to sacrifice. Rich nations, like rich families, tend to rest on their oars...and the values, attitudes and beliefs necessary for sustaining greatness erode. They forget the sacrifices their ancestors made to build greatness and have come to believe prosperity and greatness are guaranteed.

Yet, at some point, it becomes necessary to ask their citizens for sacrifice, discipline and dedication to country.

At some point, it becomes necessary to stress duties and responsibilities along with rights and privileges.

That time is now. Otherwise, our children will pay a heavy price for our excesses.

My third selection is from the "Critical Intelligence" interview with Alvin Toffler, author of *Future Shock* and *The Third Wave*.

Obviously we want and need a separation of powers. But why do we assume that our 200-year-old formula for separation of powers—executive, legislative and judiciary—is still the best way to do it? I would argue that it isn't. We may be separating the wrong powers in the wrong ways.

For one thing, there are new centers of power arising. The media, for example, is very much the "fourth estate"—the fourth branch of government. And federal employees have become the fifth estate. Neither of these two sources of power are acknowledged formally by the system.

The media has that kind of power, yet it is not accountable within the system.

The paradox is this: If you try to make the media politically accountable—through regulation and so on—you destroy our freedom. And if you don't make the media accountable, they destroy our freedom.

The problems are so big that no political party can get its hands around them. Political parties themselves are institutions of the industrial age and are facing the same pressures as other collapsing industrial age institutions.

If we look around, we see that the political system is in crisis, the health system is in crisis, urban systems are in crisis, education is in crisis, energy and transportation systems are in crisis—every major American system is facing some sort of crisis.

Bureaucratic institutions are not rewarded for innovation and change. Rather, they are penalized by their constituencies. And government institutions, for the most part, face no competition.

One example is the school system. It is a monopoly through and through with no internal motivation for change. The same is true for the political system as a whole.

I believe this country—and many other countries, for that matter—is speeding toward a constitutional crisis that will force a very fundamental restructuring of society.

The Constitution that we've had for 200 years is a stunning intellectual document that has done an amazingly good job of adapting itself to the needs of 20th century industrialism. But it may well be that it cannot quite make the next change demanded by it to adapt to the needs of the third wave, post-smokestack era.

The idea that only the Russia political system can deliquesce is absurd. Every system, ours included, can go through this kind of explosion and evaporation. Unless we begin thinking now—and we're already 20-25 years to late—unless we engage the whole population in a serious discussion of our new constitutional needs, we're going to have a very unpleasant transition.

The Government and Suppression of Creativity

The American society was created to be a laboratory of new models, of experiments. The entire nation was deemed an experiment and has been called an invention. Our government is supposed to stay out of the way of these enterprises, given they do not violate the law. This is the value of freedom of religion.

But the more we read about what went on with the Branch Davidians, the more we must be concerned about those in positions of governmental responsibility. Here are some excerpts from the recent issue of ACRM INFO (11905 Oden Court, Rockville, MD 20856.). The first is from an article by Dean M. Kelley, Councilor on Religious Liberty at the National Council of Churches.

The long-awaited report of the investigation of the federal assault on the home of the Branch Davidian religious community near Waco, Texas, offers devastating criticisms of the way the raid was planned and carried out and how the responsible authorities of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms lied about it afterward to cover up their mistakes. But the report does not address an even more important question: whether the raid should have been launched at all.

These were not hardened criminals plotting how to take over Waco and hold it for ransom from the Southern Baptists. One must wonder where was the *mens rea*—the criminal intent that is the essential element in the definition of a crime. Perhaps it was present, but that has not been shown. Instead we apparently see a storming of the premises without giving the occupants notice that they were confronted by the law or a way to avoid bloodshed.

One wonders if the present administration will have learned anything from these episodes, which will long loom in many minds as President Clinton's "Bay of Pigs"—a situation in which he was inveigled into acceding to the faulty commitments of bureaucratic adventurers from previous regimes acting on the basis of hysterical allegations by anti-cultists. What will the current administration do differently when the next anti-cult scare comes along?

The second is by James E. Wood, Jr., Director of the J. M. Dawson Institute of Church-State Studies at Baylor University, Waco, Texas, and Editor of the *Journal of Church and State*, from which the above citation was reprinted. To subscribe: Journal of Church-State Studies, Box 97308, Waco, TX 76798-7308.

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It should be kept in mind that the Branch Davidians had not been charged with any crime. The initial assault by approximately one hundred armed agents of the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms on the compound occupied by little more than one hundred Branch Davidians, more than half of whom were women and children, was itself an unprecedented government operation against a religious group.

The use of a powerful chemical, O-chlorobenzalmalononitrile (CS), by the FBI on the final day of the standoff raised further questions as to the methods employed by the government in its assault on the Branch Davidians. The fine white powder chemical was blown into the compound for approximately six hours. Banned for United States military use and earlier this year banned at the Chemical Weapons Convention in Paris by more than one hundred nations, including the United States, CS has been declared by Amnesty International to be "particularly dangerous" when "launched directly into homes or other buildings." One weapons expert, Paul Hoven, charged that he doubted with the use of CS that members of the compound would have been able to find their way. "Exposed to CS," he said, "I doubt they would have been able to run and get the kids. Certainly, the children would have been out of control and it would have been a very difficult situation."

All the more puzzling was the government's stated purpose for this type of military operation: to issue a search warrant to David Koresh to determine if his group, which had no history of committing acts of violence or manifesting hostile resistance to government authority, was in possession of illegal weapons—namely, fully automatic weapons. Many asked why it was necessary to have approximately one hundred armed agents encircle the compound, with three helicopters overhead, to issue a search warrant or even a warrant for the arrest of the group's leader. In a recorded telephone conversation with the ATF in the first few hours of the raid, the leader of the group, David Koresh, informed the federal officials that the assault was unnecessary to deliver a search warrant. "It would have been better if you just called me up or talked to me," Koresh said. "The you all could have come in and done your work." In the past, outsiders, including neighbors, friends and family members of residents, as well as public officials on occasion, frequently visited persons in the compound, known as the Mount Carmel Center.

Meanwhile, we are happy to read that on November 17, President Clinton signed the Religious Freedom Restoration Act. In the signing ceremony, he said, "What this law basically says is that the government should be held to a very high level of proof before it interferes with someone's free exercise of religion."

According to the Religious News Service, the new law "restores the previous standard used to judge [state] interference [in religious practice]. That standard requires the government to show it has a 'compelling state interest,' such as public health or safety, before interfering with religious practices. And the government must use the least restrictive means of safeguarding its interest."

If the Waco affair had anything to do with this Religious Freedom Restoration Act being passed, and if by its standard other new religions may develop in an atmosphere of freedom from the state, then the sacrifice made by the Branch Davidians may not have been in vain.

But it was a terrible price to pay in

a nation which should know better.

A Christian Calls for Action

John V. Nicolais, a Lutheran from around Boston, stated in my local Westchester paper that "no one doubts that America totters on a precipice." He asks, "How did America—how did we—allow ourselves to be maneuvered into such an ominous situation?" He opines that Christians must not withdraw from the world, but transform it. To stand up for what is right is a way for a Christian to witness.

"Moreover," he writes, "... the founding fathers always meant America to be grounded in basic Christian values. When their writings and letters are examined it is clear that the only restriction concerning religion was that one denomination not be given official status by the government over any other denomination. There never was any question that Christian values were to be the basis upon which laws were to be constructed, judgment in the courts to be administered, and morality in the schools to be taught."

So true. But what is it in Christian values which left a society seeped in them so dissatisfied that it would consign them to the closet? What element is missing, through which a society might gird itself against the national suicide transpiring presently in America?

We might expect the answer to be: well, Christianity was never meant to be an ideal system. Fair enough; but then why should Christians be so stubborn about questioning the content of their faith? And I don't mean application of the humanist critique. That, my friends, is not radical enough. I mean the Unification critique, which questions the very root of historical Christian faith: the belief that Jesus came to die and could only save us by his death.

The present Christian options are tending toward two options: one: Jesus was just like me, except that he was proud and militant about it (humanism); two: Jesus is the name of the supernatural Creator-God, who 2,000 years ago, posed as a human for the first and last time (fundamentalism).

Why is it so radical to believe that Jesus was a man who lived the way I know I am supposed to live? That is, "like us in every way except with no sin."

On Campus Ministry/Some excerpts from the UCMA Sept/Oct Newsletter

Tim Henning, Los Angeles: A new realization began to dawn—campus ministry can be fun. No matter what the interest—tutoring, making money, politics, social work, boating, whatever—the university is like the hub of a wheel that can be approached from many different angles. We were challenged to create a vision—a plan for campus ministry for a whole academic year. There is no need to get stuck to timeworn concepts that can make witnessing a drag. Creativity can generate excitement and joy.

Paula Fujiwara, Boston: It became evident that other campus ministries are down-sizing. Also, campus ministers are learning to be more tolerant of others. Meanwhile, students are clamoring for internal guidance. God needs



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us to stretch more (through self-denial) and get ourselves out of the way in order to be big enough vessels for the new era that is coming.

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Charles Sanders Peirce—American Philosopher

The current issue of *First Things* has an excellent article on the late-19th century American philosopher, Charles Sanders Peirce. His philosophy has been fairly neglected for the century since his death, and this could be because it is at-odds with the American mainstream. His thought, according to Edward T. Oakes, a professor of religion at New York University, has God at its center, a fact ignored by earlier scholars who commented on his work.

The creation, for Peirce, is a continuous exemplification of God's creativity. Modern science is caught in the trap of isolating and analyzing things as discrete, when in fact they are aspects of a continuum. Thus, Peirce wrote, "If we cannot in some measure understand God's mind, all science ... must be a delusion and a snare;" and, "Individualism and falsity are one."

Peirce, whose ideas stimulated the

philosophy of "pragmatism," presented a type of pragmatism similar to that expressed in the Introduction of Young Whi Kim's Divine Principle Study Guide. Both argue that one can prove God's existence by taking it as a hypothesis, applying it, and evaluating the results. (Here quoting Peirce:)

"[In time he] will come to be stirred to the depths of his nature by the beauty of the idea [of God] and its august practicality, even to the point of earnestly loving and adoring his strictly hypothetical God, and to that of desiring above all things to shape the whole conduct of life and all the springs of action into conformity with that hypothesis."

Neo-Hindu-Taoist-Buddhism and the Marketing of Sex

Judeo-Christian values are not the only ones becoming increasingly manipulated in the direction of sexual corruption. A current mail-order catalogue entitled "The Mystic Trader" offers statues of the Buddha and various gods and goddesses, videos on the Dalai Lama, clothes with religious symbols, and so forth.

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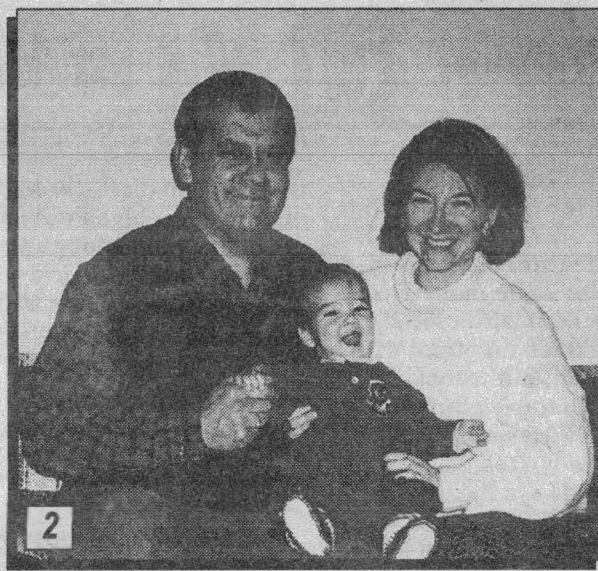
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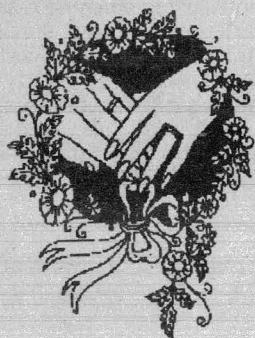
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