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ood evening brothers and sisters. It is truly a great honor and privilege and some what of a tremendous surprise for In Jin and I to be standing here this evening. I wanted to make one thing clear and that is, her father promoted her, not me. (laughter) I'm just going to back her up, but she's Center; August 14, 2008

got the job. I first would like recognize other to members of the True Family that are here. You know Father and Mother have been so inspirational in educating their children and in teaching them the importance of education and many years have been spent by all the members of the family educating themselves so they could be better participants in this

community that we are building here tonight and around the world.

Starting with the youngest daughter, Jeung Jin Moon, is now a recent admittance to the graduate program at The New School, because they recognize that she has tremendous writing skills and she is going to work towards her masters degree there this fall.

The next youngest daughter is

Yeon Jin Moon, she has her graduate degree, pretty much in hand from the London school of film, studying to be a director.

The next brother is Kwon Jin Moon and he is studying acting as well as developing his real estate career in the west coast, as well as pursuing his graduate degree at the Unification Theological Seminary.

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years. In many ways, we offer our

apologies to you for having to sacrifice, to go through a very difficult course, to really serve our True Parents and love our True Parents. For that, we as a family are tremendously grateful to all you brothers and sisters. I realize that, yes, we have to take responsibility and honor your work and work together. That is our heart and that is our gratitude to you. So, in many ways, we can have only hope and true love for every single one of you who have had true love for our True Parents. For the lives you've lived to love True Parents, we can only honor and love you back in that same way and offer our apologies for not living up to that standard, too.

Hello.

You've all heard the news of the helicopter. We've received all your prayers and all your words of concern and hope, and we're so grateful for that.

I just want to share with you my first experience of when we heard of Father's accident, the family's accident and Mother's.

We first went into the hospital room, and Father was alone in the bed and it was dark. I went to Father and (asked), "How could this happen?" I was so worried and crying, and Father just held my hand and said, "Don't cry. Don't worry." He's comforting me, and saying, "This is truly a miracle, and God protected us. Don't cry. This is an amazing day."

and and stay here until Mother comes back."

Because Father was comforting me and he looked fine, I was just so grateful because everything seemed so OK; no one was hurt. Mother was out of the room at the time, getting checked up through the CAT scans and everything. Father kept on asking, "Is everybody OK? How are the other *shikkus* on the plane, (Sun Jin Nim explaining: all the brothers and sisters who were also on the plane), and how is Mother?" He just kept on asking. He said, "Hold my h When I experienced that, I felt, "Oh, Father is all fine because he is saving (that) he has no pain." I was saying,

"Abonim, after a shock, if you have any pain, please tell us because we need to know so we can help you," but Appa said, "I'm fine. Where's everybody else? Protect everybody else. Make sure everybody else is OK. Make sure Omma is OK."

Because there were only a certain amount of doctors on hand (available), everybody went to help this first sister who was the most injured (injured). Everybody survived, it was a real miracle, but she was the most injured among everybody. So all the doctors went there. Even Father and Mother were taken care of after (her) because they wanted to make sure the members were first taken care of.

When Mother came back she needed to be attended to, so Father stayed completely as if he were fine, no pain, until all of it (regarding Mother) was cleared. After everybody was fine and all the children came up to greet Parents, we told Father, "Everybody's fine, Father, it's a miracle that it's fine," then Father started having himduro (pain, hard time) a

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little bit. And then we found out that Father, too, had pain because the impact of falling from four stories -- it hurts everybody. Everybody had pain, but Father held this pain (back) to make sure everybody was OK, so everybody else could be attended to first. This is the heart of True Father; this is the heart of True Parents. In many ways, this is their entire life. It has been like this: They have been holding their pain so that everybody else could be saved first. (Sun Jin Nim draws back tears.)

Father's life is sacrifice. You've all supported Father. You've become his children first. In many ways, he had to let go of his own children to serve the Cain children and save the world first. Father always, always, no matter what, (he puts) himself, his family, anything, he puts the world, the members (first), and is going forward with God's mission first. Even when the doctors say he has to rest, he has to lay down so he can heal, he is always observing (doing) hoon dok hae. He is saying, "The Word is the most important. The members are the most important. We have to move the world." This is what he keeps saying.

In many ways, this experience was an eye-opening experience for me and our family because see, (True) Parents not think of themselves and even at this moment are just constantly thinking about this world. Father is 89 years old. Mother has had fourteen children and followed Father her entire life. No matter what, this is their mission until death, no matter what. This is the kind of heart of True Parents that we witnessed (saw) as a family.

As you know, because of this accident, every single one of our family members who are here on the earth have come to be with True Parents. Even though the doctors stress (say), "Don't go in there," and "Please let Parents rest," when we go in there and do insa (greetings). Father gets up and even though he is in pain, he is teaching us. He is giving us hoon dok hae, beyond hoon dok hae, for three hours. Even though he is shaking in his bed in pain, because he sees us there, he says he has to teach us. And even though we say, "Father, please rest, please, please lay down so you can heal," and "It's so important to take care of Mother and you," Father would yell at us and get mad at us, saying, "Just listen. This is important. This message is important." And seeing that, we all understood as one family, yes, this is the most important message, and I would like to kind of share this message with you. The main message that Father kept on telling us is, that no matter what, the future and everything in the providence will only be realized if we have unity.

unity and oneness with God. And as you all are brothers and sisters and have inherited the word of True Parents, you all know that already. (you know) the cham sarang -- the True

Love, True Life, and True Lineage that True Parents teach us -- and that we have to be vertically one with God in four our positions. Until now. we have all been receiving from True Parents. We've received their word, we've received salvation. we've received the truth, and we have gotten so much from

them.

their life, even at moments when they could pass, they are still giving, giving, nonstop, the truth to us.

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If you look at Parents, what have they stressed in our lives? They have stressed unity within (between) husband and wife in the blessing; through the mission of an individual with God in mind and body, unity; and even within Father's mission worldwide, the bridge and tunnel -what does that mean? That means connecting all the worlds together. And what is north and south? Connecting what has been divided by Satan, and putting it all together. And when he stressed all these things he said that we need to come together as a family, not only amongst our immediate brothers and sisters, but (also) within the first generation, the second generation of our movement, and going forward to build Father's legacy. (Sun Jin Nim draws back tears.)

And if you really think about the amazing lessons of true love that Father teaches, even blessing Japanese and Koreans together, enemies and people who can't get along, all those things that Father has done all in his life have all stressed and led up to one thing: true love and unity and being one, and that's the peace that's going to save the world. No matter what we kept telling Father, "Please rest, please rest," he was not stopping. Everybody in the family that came yesterday -- In Jin Onni (elder sister) came, Un Jin Onni came, Ye Jin Onni was here, Yeon Jin and Jeung Jin, and even Kwon Jin Oppa (elder brother), Hyun Jin Oppa, Hyung Jin and Kook Jin Oppa -everybody together, we were all there to listen to these words of unity. As a family, for many years, we couldn't unify. As many of you know... the importance of having to unify with each other but also with the church....

because of whatever feelings that we felt.... Parents weren't there for us and they were only caring about the members... (Sun Jin Nim draws back tears.) So we realized through that experience of

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where the helicopter fell, and that's when it really hit us (when we realized), hit us that when we see True Parents, when we're sitting there, they're sitting up and they're still alive. We didn't have any idea what they went through, but when we went to the site, it really hit us how much a miracle it was that

> saved. We realized that God truly protected our True Parents -- Hyo Jin Oppa and Heung Jin Oppa and Young Jin and everyone from our family who has gone before us into the spirit world, especially our older brother Hyo Jin Oppa who passed on (they all protected True Parents). Manv members who were on the flight even said that they saw Hyo Jin Oppa before the plane went down. When you look at the site, it is a truly amazing miracle because there is one tree that really held the helicopter to safety. It's in the shape of a $^{\prime}\!Y^{\prime}$ and Young Jin's name starts with a 'Y'. We really felt our brothers and sisters in spirit world really protecting our True Parents at this moment.

> they're alive and that everybody was

With Father's message of saying how we have to be as a family, (that we have to be) one, we realized that not being able to unite is causing Parents to go through more indemnity for our inability, our inability to forget ourselves and live for the sake of each other and live what they have been teaching us, that we have not inherited fully until this day. And seeing this, all together as one family, and understanding finally what Father has gone through, through these tragedies -- and it's sad that it always has to be tragedies that teach us -- we realized that this is what we have to do, and we have to go forward with hope and really with tremendous gratitude to God and all of our brothers and sisters in the spirit world and ultimately to True

Parents, (and we have) to realize what they've been teaching, (to realize) their mission on earth.

We have to protect that. We have to build that. We have to put all our energies and all our resources and our entire lives until death in that same spirit, and that's what we realized together as one family. Here, with you today, I share this and I beg you as one family to also share that same heart, share those words that Father has requested (conveyed) in his pain to all of you, to really, really take that into your own families and your own lives and really try to take that message of unity and sacrifice and live this way.

(Throughout her address, Sun Jin Nim drew back her tears.)

After realizing this message of unity that Father was giving us that morning, we were able to all gather for lunch as one family, and each person... I don't think many of you know us because we've been studying and Father has given us the mission of really studying and developing in America. You all know Hyun Jin Oppa who gave his message on the day sharing with you, and he's been working tirelessly, globally, to really promote True Parents and the mission after he's finished his studies. And Kook Jin Oppa has been in Korea at the (business) foundation. He spoke just yesterday, if you don't know who Kook Jin Oppa is. He sacrifices every day, day in and day out. We live together at Han Nam Dong, so we see him every day, always concerned about preserving the foundation and the value of our kyohae (church), going forward to really be able to save and to fund Father's mission so his goals of unity all over the world can be realized. As you all know, Hyung Jin, he is recently been given the mission of the world church (president), and it's all centered in Korea. He gives his sermons in Korea all the time. He's really the spiritual center that Father designated, and not only for the members who have all met Hyung Jin, but also to our family he has been a source of so much spiritual guidance.

brother) in the heart. The brothers and sisters that came yesterday, all my sisters and everybody who's lived in America and has been studying, they all came and they're doing amazing work, too. Just recently, In Jin Onni was put onto Manhattan Center to protect what Hyo Jin Oppa had built because she really loves Oppa. That's her mission. She's really been doing a tremendous job there, changing Manhattan Center and protecting that so that it's now become really, really profitable and it's surviving. We really offer thanks to her and every single one of my brothers and sisters. Un Jin Onni the other day came for one day and had to go back and take care of her children. She was feeding Mother and Father and helping them that day. It was the first time in our lives we could spend time and really serve True Parents. We're really grateful for all your love, too. We feel so thankful to all the leadership and all the members

He might be the youngest, but in many ways he's been our Hyung nim (elder

In many ways, if you look at Father's entire life of service to the world, it has always been centered on

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you all know Dr. Preston Hyun Jin Moon who now serves in the very important task as our True Parents' eldest son due to some tragedies that we of course are all aware of recently. He has a tremendous burden, one that he has been carrying now for many years together with brothers and sisters here in the west particularly, but also around the world in expanding the work of Universal Peace Federation and the Global Peace Festivals. He has his undergraduate degree from Columbia University, his graduate degree from Harvard Business School , and his doctorate from Sun Moon University. Could we honor Dr. Hyun Jin Preston Moon.

I have two Korean friends, Dr. Choi and Dr. Kim and I was telling them about In Jin, about how beautiful she is and how intelligent she is and they said, "You know, James, it's not good form to brag about your wife." And I said to them, "But, have you seen my wife?"

In Jin was born in Korea as the second daughter, third child of Rev. and Mrs. Moon, on August 14th, 19 -(clearing of throat followed by laughter from audience). You see I'm a very well trained husband. She came to America with her family in 1973. My parents were already here so I had met her at that time, together with her brothers and sisters, so I've known her since 1973 which is a good many years. She went to highschool here in America and in 1984, her father said to her, "I think it's time for you to get married." And she said, "No Dad, you promised I could go to college before you got me married." But he said. "Well I think now is a good time. Anybody in particular that you want us to consider for you?" And she says, "Dad, you told us not to date, you told us just to focus on studying. Of course I don't have anybody in mind." And her parents said, "Okay, then we want to

introduce a young man to you," and she says, "Oh wait, but I do have one condition if you're going to marry me off now, I will be obedient and respect your wishes and marry anybody that you recommend except for Jin Sung Park." You could see what that meant for me. I've had my work cut out for me for 25 years and I'm still just getting the hang of it.

Soon after we were married in 1984 her father was unjustly incarcerated as most of you know, and she, together with Dr. Lowry

and other civil rights leaders from Washington, and Atlanta and around the country, formed the coalition for religious freedom. And just out of highschool she was marching arm-inarm with folks like Dr. Lowry, in Washington D.C. and other cities, speaking out for religious freedom and against religious injustices committed against people like her father, and other religious figures that were being persecuted by an intolerant government. That was the beginning of her career. She has an older brother and an older sister, but somehow, Father had reached down and asked her to take on that responsibility.

There is a stunning front page picture of her and Dr. Lowry and other civil rights leaders in the Washington Post in the summer of 1984. From that very important beginning she went on to go and get an undergraduate degree from Columbia University studying political science and philosophy. I remember when she graduated from Columbia University after 6 years, she said, "You know, honey, it took me 6 years to get a 4 year undergraduate degree." And I said, "But you've had 3 children along the way as well." That's quite an accomplishment, 3 children and 4 years of college in 6 years.

But Father has often asked many people to go to the Unification Theological Seminary, it's a very wonderful school and the only other school that Father wants people to go to besides that one is the Harvard Divinity School. And In Jin set her sights for that, went and got admitted into the Harvard Divinity School for her graduate studies. She studied there and of course, everyone knew this, she was Rev. Moon's daughter. She was the talk of the school, theologians and religious scholars would ask her things, ask questions about Father; they would say things like, "You know your father is a very, very significant regional religious leader. And she would say, "No, my father's a world religious leader. Let me explain to you

why."

Something you may not know is that after her first semester of Harvard Divinity School she came home to greet her parents during Christmas time, Father was sitting there in the family room and Father said, "In Jin, In Jin, come here. So what do they teach you at Harvard Divinity School? What are they talking about?" And she said, "Well, Father. The primary question between the men and women and professors at Harvard Divinity School and for the last 6,000 years is the proper relationship between men and women. Rev. Moon said, "Well, of course, there's God and man and women and they are equal and together they make a 4-positionfoundation and they strive to make an ideal family. But men and women are equal." And In Jin said, "Yes but everyone who studies you as theologians knows that you give all the speeches and Mother sits there besides you." (laughter) And then he goes on, "Well Eve fell first, and Adam fell second, and restoration of the fall ... " on and on and on. And In Jin said, "Yeah well, that's just the perception out there. And Father said, "Well maybe we'll have to do something about that. It's only inevitable after the original Adam is restored that the original Eve is restored." Do you know what came out of that talk a few months later? Women's Federation for World Peace.

After graduating from Harvard Divinity School gave her a title: Chook Sa-Jang. "Chook" as in "Chook-bok" the marriage blessing, and "Sa-Jang" which basically means chairman. The literal translation is "Chairman of the Blessing." But if you really think about it, one of the most important functions of any ordained minister of any faith is the blessed people in holy matrimony. And that's what Rev. Moon was bestowing upon her at that time in '95. After that he said, "Where are you going?" and she said, "I'm going to take care of my kids. If you want to lead the world and teach them how to build ideal families, Dad, I have to take of my kids first, raise them up, and practice before I preach what it's like and what it takes to make an ideal family." So many of you may not have seen her for some time but she spent a tremendous amount of time raising her kids.

Some of you may know this, she home schools the children, educates them at home. Someone once said, "In Jin Nim you do everything so well. How did you know how to do this? I would explain to friends of hers, she, like you, when she was a first time mother, raising her own children, she doesn't know much more than you do, I got to tell you, we bought every book in the Barnes and Noble about pregnancy when she was pregnant, we have a whole library on them, and she bought every book on child rearing and child education. And she reads voluminously, left to right, A-Z. As she home schools the children, educates them, and as she teaches them different things, including cooking – they're very good cooks – as they go on to science and languages,

she goes on the internet and researches and finds young teachers to assist her, finds tutors to come to our home and supervise, lend their expertise to particular subjects and categories. This is how we are able to show the children's accomplishments with you and share with you Rex and Ariana playing piano, and Trustin and Paxton's art work - and they've only been painting with a teacher and with In Jin's instruction for about a year and a half.

We had our second son, Rexton, and Ariana, start playing the piano like any other parents. In Jin and I both play the piano, so she and I educated them first by ourselves and we saw something developing there, and a very short time later they both won a very big piano competition, several of them in a row. That caused us to have to travel around the world because part of the prizes of these competitions were world tours. We found ourselves in Japan where we have a very large community of first and second generation. In Jin said, "While we're here in Japan, why don't we have give and take with the people and I can help support and educate and teach them about excellence in academics and the arts, pursuing a passion in raising yourself up." In the video you saw earlier, you saw the first 7 years of concerts for world peace and ideal families. This year in April 18th, Rex and Ariana were invited back to play Tokyo Philharmonic. so on that occasion we held the 8th annual youth concert for world peace and ideal families and there, she also met with many of the brothers and sisters and sold CD's - she's a songwriter and singer and she is working on her fifth album. And we raised quite a significant amount for a scholarship program for 2nd generation in Japan. Early this year, part of the room and facility that we are standing in is the vision and inspiration of her oldest brother, Hyo Jin Moon, who tragically passed away on March 17th of this year.

The Moon family has gone through a tremendous difficult year but one of the things that I've learned about this family is difficulty and tragedy makes them stronger. It depends their conviction; it depends their commitment to True Parents and to eachother to work together to unite with eachother and together with the brothers and sisters. A very difficult

brothers and sisters. A very difficult year.

In the midst of the Moon family's eldest son passing away earlier this year - that particular son was the inspiration by which we are sitting in the Manhattan center - by which the Manhattan Center came to be created. Father bought the Manhattan Center in the mid '70's. New York City was going bankrupt. The New Yorker Hotel was nearly condemned and so was this building. They were unused, practically being thrown away. For \$2 million and for \$5 million dollars, Father invested very important resources in the early '70's to help New York and to help bring culture and entertainment to New York at the

highest level, that was his dream. It continued to lay dormant until In Jin's eldest brother, Hyo Jin, decided to create the Manhattan Center and also who inspired her Father to allow the New Yorker to turn into a first class hotel in the New York area. So the facility that you stand in was started by her older brother. After passing away, the family had gathered together and In Jin's father asked her to take over Manhattan Center. This was about 4 months ago. So she came here. She met with all the employees. She's created a tremendous bond, she respects them and earned their respect.

In the entertainment world we have seen executives of MTV, VH1, Live Nation, they're all lining up to come meet her and when they meet her they find that she's a fascinating woman, a fascinating daughter of our True Parents, graceful and yet quite firm in negotiations. I've been by her side for the last 3-4 months watching her. she keeps an intense schedule, it's really truly amazing to see her work - part of what she found here was a diamond in the ruff; something that needed a lot of attention and a lot of love. And she started to put forth a strategy, creating a branding strategy, a marketing strategy, a strategy about how the public perceives the Manhattan Center.

Recently, with Father asking her to take responsibility to HSA and FFWP, she has had similar thoughts about why is such a wonderful dad, a wonderful leader like Rev. and Mrs. Moon s misunderstood by the American people? They're wonderful people, but the marketing, the public relations, the branding is off. I see executives from companies come to meet the new CEO of Manhattan Center and they find it to be In Jin Moon, and after talking and discussing business and getting to know her, invariably they say, "Oh, by the way, tell me about your Father, Rev. Moon. What does he believe in?" and thirty minutes later, that man is saying, "How come nobody knows this in America? How come this great story about a man of sacrifice and a man of truth and tremendous effort on behalf of God, this country and the world, how come nobody knows this story?" And she goes on to say, "Perhaps my Dad, so focused on the mission, really didn't care about PR very much." Part of what In Jin and what other True Children want to do is raise the image of True Parents to where it should be. I think nothing makes True Parents look more wonderful than sons and daughters like these we have in front of us and those we saw on the screen and if they unite and put their minds to it and get the truth out – I think In Jin wants to make our movement, our fellowship, our community one of the coolest and one of the most exciting communities to belong to. One of the things that we found here at Manhattan Center is a phrase - because there was no marketing at Manhattan Center at all for many years – was that it was the best kept secret of Manhattan. And she said, "Why keep it the best kept secret?" But isn't our movement the best kept secret in our society today? Brothers and sisters is it my deepest privilege and honor to introduce to you

your new chairman of the Holy Spirit Association and the Federation for World Peace, my wife, In Jin Moon.

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before me. It is truly his inspiration and his passion that still resides in the walls of this building and it fills me everyday that I walk in here and I realize, you know what, it's just so

life is simple elegance. And my father's message, theologically, in a nutshell is that simple elegance. I tell them, that my father was inspired when he was 16 years old by the vision of Jesus



Dr. In Jin Moon's Inauguration, August 18, 2008

hank you brothers and sisters for coming here and sharing this beautiful evening with me. I am truly honored and truly so grateful for my family being here and for my friends, like Lynn and Bishop Stallings, and Bishop Edwards and all the dignitaries of our movement. I am truly blessed. Part of the reason why I

wanted to have this inauguration party at The Manhattan Center is because my dearest brother who I loved very, very much, gave his heart and soul into this building and he's the one who introduced the concept that media and entertainment is crucial to win the hearts of people in America. And because he himself was a profound musician and he himself was impacted and influenced by media, he said, "Father, we need this for God. We need a building like this. Can I take the Manhattan Center and turn it into a multi-million empire?" And my Father said, "Mm. Keu-rae." That means 'go ahead'. And he really took that to heart and tried his best with the people he had available. But with his passing, and with my Father asking me to take on the role as the Chairman and C.E.O. of Manhattan Center I realize that, that dream must carry on. The importance of media and the importance of how we package ourselves as a movement is of utmost importance and it's really, truly, my first priority at this moment. I feel like everything I was able to accomplish here at Manhattan Center was really standing on the shoulders of the brother that had gone

satisfying to be able to fulfill and to carry on my brother's vision and my Father's vision.

So the promo that you saw tonight is really just a taste of the whole branding process that is taking place at the Manhattan Center. This is just a promo video but we are we doing the brochure, as well as business cards, and in a way, educating the employees and our directors on the importance of client services and taking care of anyone that walks into our building because that's the first experience that they will have with our movement, with True Parents. And if we can give them a great experience, if we can take care of them like no other, what better way is there to serve America, then by taking care of the people and giving them a wonderful time in entertainment and in music and maybe give them a couple hours away from the difficulties of life or from the pressures at work? This is the kind of thing that I would like to do for HSA as well.

Christ that he had of Jesus, our savior and our Lord. He was moved by that vision when he was praying on that mountain asking God "How can I help you, God?" "How can I help you Jesus Christ." And Jesus Christ appeared to him on that beautiful Easter Sunday morning and asked him, "Please, son, finish my mission, fulfill my mission." What does that mission entail? "Please build a family. Something that I never had the chance to do. Please have a loving wife, please have loving children, and establish and substantiate the ideal family that I've longed to build." And starting at the age of 16, even though my Father is 88 years old, that passion that he received from Jesus Christ has never wavered. He has been in an out of prison six times; he was scheduled for execution on the morning of October 14th, 1950, but because of the allied forces he was liberated from his prison sentence at Heung Nam, which he served for 2 years and 8 months. And it was the American soldiers that saved his life. That's why he came here, brothers and sisters. He said, "America saved my life, and therefore, my life belongs to this country." My father always said that God especially blessed this country. This country is like a chosen country that God prepared for beautiful people like you. When Father came here in the 60's and the 70's and saw all the difficulties, different issues with morality - that was the height of the hippie movement, a lot of young people lost their way; a lot of young people lost hope. That's when Father wanted to come here and bring his message of love, and bring his message of an ideal family, so that all those see Inauguration on page 23

You know, I always tell my husband, True Parents are really the world's best kept secret.

As I have this opportunity to meet all the different C.E.O's and the media and entertainment business, they always end up asking me, "How come I never knew this before?" And I say, "Because God was giving me the opportunity to tell you first hand."

I tell them it's the world of media and entertainment that really misunderstood and misconstrued what my father and mother was all about. In a nutshell their message is quite simple and quite profound. And I always tell these CEO's and my friends that what I strive for in my daily

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ear Jin-Suh, Yun-Shim, Sook-Jung, Kwang-Chul and Kwang-June! Thank God! Thank God! These are the first words that

came out of my mouth as I realized that I was still alive after the helicopter crashed

The day we flew to Seoul from Cheongpyeong (July 19, 2008), there was a hurricane warning. Although the hurricane, "Seagull", had already killed 6 people in Taiwan and continued its course towards the Korean peninsula, the weather conditions at Cheongpyeong and in Seoul were determined as permissible for flight.

True Parents had a luncheon meeting with some of the church leaders in a Chinese restaurant at the Marriott Hotel in downtown Seoul. It was about 4:45 p.m. when we left Seoul by helicopter to return to Cheon Jeong Palace in Cheongpyeong. Though it was still raining and cloudy, the pilot had checked out the weather conditions in Cheongpyeong. Because of the now questionable weather conditions, he decided to follow the Bukhan (North Han) River towards the north-Cheongpyeong Lake in front of the Cheongpyeong Training Center is formed from a dam in the Bukhan River, which is a tributary of the Han River that flows through the city of Seoul.

As we continued following the Bukhan River, we encountered thick patches of fog and clouds, but we could still see well enough to follow the course. When we arrived in the area of Cheongpyeong Training Center we could see the top of the Cheon Seong Mountain where the Cheon Jeong Palace is located. The heliport is located about 300 yards below the Palace at the foot of the mountain. From the helicopter, although we could see the top of Cheon Seong Mountain, the area where the heliport is located was covered by some fog and cloud.

The crash

As the helicopter approached the landing pad, suddenly a thick layer of fog moved in and completely covered the area. The pilot's view of the site became almost zero, but the landing wheels were already out and the helicopter was hovering over the landing pad about to land. But he decided, quickly, to take the craft up and out of the pitch dark, foggy area. It was then that the tail hit a tree and the helicopter reeled from side to side, the powerful blades plowing through trees by the scores. The pilot tried his best to find a way to secure a soft landing in the wooded area of thousands of pine trees. The helicopter, with only half of the tail wing, plowed through the woods for about 150 yards. It finally hit a big cherry tree and crashed in a muddy wooded area near a small stream. There also was a small pond less than

20 feet away from the crash site. Two of the five blades of the helicopter were lost as the craft went through the trees and the remaining three blades became stuck in the muddy hillside as the helicopter crashed. Boom ...! It made a thunderous noise.

The escape

While the helicopter was going through this course of turmoil, which took only a minute, we who were on board were experiencing a roller coaster ride, holding onto whatever we could grab. Because of the thunderous sound of the crash, I lost consciousness for a moment. But the noise of the crying children was loud enough to bring me back. Among the

helicopter was tilted on its side, the entrance door was now located above us and so we had to lift Father, and then Mother, up through the door. By then, luckily, one of the crew members was already outside on the roof and he helped Father and Mother to finally get out. Once reaching the top of the helicopter, they had to slide 8 feet down to the wet and muddy ground. Following True Parents, the grandchildren were lifted up through the exit and they followed the same path.

After the grandchildren were out, eight of us who accompanied Father and Mother that day climbed out of the door one by one. Nobody remembers who came out first or who was the last among us to leave the

16 people (3 crew members, 13 passengers) in the helicopter, there were three children, Shin-goong nim (6 vrs.), Shin-wol nim (5 yrs.), and Shin-joon nim (5 yrs.). Upon regaining consciousness I realized that I was still tightly seat belted and hanging against the side of my chair. I struggled for a while to release myself. The cabin of the helicopter was in chaos as the copter was tilted on its left side. The children were crying at the top of their lungs.

At that moment it came back to me that Father and Mother were in the helicopter. Instinctively I shouted, "Save Father and Mother first!" Then I looked around the back of the cabin, where I knew 11 people had been seated, to locate the true grandchildren. Glancing forward I noticed that two of the security brothers were already in the front section of the cabin where Father and Mother were seated. Father was dangling on the side of his chair, tightly seat-belted. He was struggling hard to release himself from the seat belt. So, Mr. Lee Sang- soo (security) lifted him up and Mr. Yoon Ki-byung (Father's assistant) released Father from the seat belt. Meanwhile, Mother's foot was stuck at the corner of the seat. Mr. Kim Seok-byung (Pyong-il Communications Co.) pulled her foot out of its trap. Because the

helicopter. When I made my way out, however, I could see a couple of people behind me. I still remember how urgent I felt when the smell of the smoke became overwhelming and also the strong heat from the flames which had just ignited and were about to burn the interior of the helicopter. In spite of the smoke and fire that had begun engulfing the cabin we all escaped safely from the helicopter without fighting one another.

When I found myself on the ground, I realized that I could not move with ease because of the rainfall and muddied ground. It seems that instinctively we all knew that we had to run as far away from the burning helicopter as possible-that it could explode at any second. So we desperately trudged through the mud and rain, scared that an explosion would occur any second. It is a fact that the fuel helicopters use is more flammable than automobile gasoline and the fuel tanks which were attached on both sides of the copter could explode not just by fire but also by a strong impact or shock. I immediately looked around to locate Father and Mother and the grandchildren. As I stood up from the fall in the mud I noticed True Father was carried away from the helicopter by the security brothers. But Mother

was still stuck on the muddy ground struggling. Mr. Pak Jung-Hyun tried to help her to stand up, but she could not move her legs. So I quickly ran to her and put her on my back and tried to move away. Mr. Pak held her to stay on my back. The ground was so muddy and my back started hurting that I could not walk upright but half crawling. We were able to move up the hill about 70 yards and I finally collapsed. Father was about 10 yards ahead of us, sitting on the muddied ground behind a big pine tree. Someone shouted, "Bring Mother up here! It's safer!" But I could not carry her any further. At that point two young security brothers came to carry Mother to the place where Father was waiting. So, most of us including the three grandchildren, gathered together around Father while the rest were scattered nearby.

Though it was still raining, a strong and tall flame with dark black smoke engulfed the helicopter when we looked back at it. Father offered his lap so that Mother would have a place to lay her head. But she could not move even an inch. So, I sat on the ground near her head so she could rest her face on my lap. I hadn't noticed that my pants were almost completely covered with mud. It was then Mr. Pak took off his jacket, folded it and put it on my lap for Mother to lay her head. As we sat there for a while, we heard three explosions. The pine trees surrounding us amazingly protected us enough that none of the debrisfrom the three explosions that followed—fell on us.

To the hospital

It was about 25 minutes after the helicopter crashed that the ambulances and fire trucks arrived with fire fighters. I shouted that Father and Mother had to be carried out quickly to the Cheongshim Hospital which was only about a mile away. I was not only worried about True Parents' injuries but also reporters' cameras. I did not want anyone to take pictures of True Parents covered in mud. Some security brothers who had witnessed the crash from the Palace came down to the site and immediately took Father and Mother on stretchers to the ambulances before any reporter appeared.

Shin Joon-nim was crying loudly, looking for his Onni, Im Ji-sun, but she had injured her back and could not move. She was on the ground nearby, in pain, and was also carried out on a stretcher to the ambulance. The rest of us helped one



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another until we reached ambulances, and we were safely transferred to the Cheongshim Hospital emergency. It was about 6 P.M. when a nurse took off my mud-covered shoes!

Even before our arrival at the hospital, YTN news channel (CNN in Korea) reported the accident. Following the YTN news all the major news media in Korea covered the story with pictures of the burning helicopter.

Through that night and the next day at the hospital all of the passengers were thoroughly checked by X-ray and MRI. Several had fractures, or bruises to the backmostly minor injuries. Although everyone was still in shock from the trauma, thankfully there were no head injuries and everyone was conscious and mentally sound. The most seriously injured were Mother and Im Ji-sun who both had successful surgery on a dislocated spine. News of the accident got out and within hours people from around the world began calling. I had lost my cellphone in the fire so I was left pretty quiet for several hours until I got my new phone. My wife was finally able to reach me from New York in the middle of the night.

I began feeling severe pain on my back and neck. Thankfully, the doctor said that the tests showed I didn't have any fractures or dislocations or broken bones. The pain was coming from twisted and severely stressed muscles. That night I could hardly sleep because of the pain and flashbacks of that terrible thunderous crashing sound and the events that ensued. Even until today my memory has not been able to erase that terrible sound.

Many miracles

From the day after the accident occurred, numerous testimonies of spiritual nature came to us from all over the world. We also received a technical report from the helicopter's pilot and special investigaters.

According to a specialist's investigation, over 90% of helicopter accidents are fatal to some or all passengers. About three months before this accident there was a military helicopter crash near the site where our helicopter crashed. All of the four passengers were instantly killed. I, myself, have seen and heard of helicopter accidents and I cannot recall any survivors. It is common knowledge that when a helicopter crashes, there are usually no survivors. So it was truly a miracle that all 16 people on board came out of the crash without shedding even a drop of blood. Furthermore, even the special investigators could not understand why it took more than 20 minutes until the helicopter exploded though the helicopter started burning as soon as it crashed. Usually when a

helicopter crashes there is a fire that causes an immediate explosion.

A n o t h e r miraculous fact is that, according to the pilot, if the helicopter had continued its course for another tenth of a second it would have crashed into a huge boulder which would have resulted in instant explosion and death to all passengers.

Also the three remaining blades became entrenched in the muddy hillside at the time of the crash. A specialist said that because they were stuck in the hill, the blades couldn't do any damage to the body of the helicopter. Had this not happened, because of the blades' spinning power the helicopter would have tumbled and been thrown upside down. A few sharp edged tree stems poked through the helicopter at the time of the crash. But none of those sharp edged tree stems came through to the passenger cabin area. One penetrated through the luggage compartment area only a foot away from a passenger seat. Another one came through the cockpit.

The special investigators could not understand why the fuel tank did not explode immediately after the crash. As I have mentioned before, the fuel used in helicopters is much more volatile and dangerously flammable even with a strong impact.

If the helicopter had fallen in a direction one degree (on the panel) north, it would have crashed onto the school buildings where there were

hundreds of students.

These are some of the miraculous points shared by the pilots and special investigators.

Spiritual aspects

On July 20th (one day after the accident) Kim Young-ho, a Korean movie director, spoke at a movie festival in the city of Puchun where 180 movie directors were attending a seminar. He described to them his fantastic experience just the day before when he was fishing at the

> lakeside the of Cheongpyeong Training Center with a friend. It was around 5pm. In the sky there suddenly appeared a big white helicopter flying over them. It was a cloudy and rainy day, but both he and his companion saw the helicopter riding on a beautiful rainbow. There was no sunshine then, so they were wondering how this beautiful

rainbow appeared so clearly to them. More fantastically, they saw hundreds of white robed angels with white wings. They thought these were pigeons at the first sight. But they were real! They were flying with the helicopter, holding it, embracing it, surrounding it. They were completely shocked at what they were witnessing and didn't know if it was a dream or if it was really happening. Soon after they heard a loud crash. Later they heard on the T.V. news that Rev. Moon's helicopter had crashed with 16 people in it. Neither Kim Young-ho nor his friend are Unification Church members and, in fact, the movie director had never even seen Rev. Moon in his life.

An old Korean grandmother who claims to be a Unification Church member—though she hardly knows what's currently going on in the Church—saw Hyo-jin nim in her dream embracing a white helicopter. It was a few days before the accident when she saw this. Since she didn't know even that Hyo-jin nim had already passed into the spirit world, she thought that the church must have a helicopter-toy factory.

God's mysterious work

We, who are aware of God's providential work and True Parents' critical importance in it at this time of the era of the fourth Adam, can interpret these spiritual testimonies. We can clearly see how much God and spirit world worked to protect True Parents. Just as at the time of Jesus' birth three wise men from the east who did not have anything to do with Jesus followed the star to show their respect to the birth of the Messiah. These two movie makers, nonbelievers of True Parents, clearly testified to this miracle. Also, we can interpret the grandmother's dream that Hyo-jin nim, from the spirit world, protected True Parents from harm. There are many more testimonies and stories like this which will be eventually revealed.

What I can conclude at this point is that this crash was not an ordinary accident. It was providential. Because I know that the True Parents are truly the manifestation of God on earth, it is my conviction that Father and Mother had to set a condition to sacrifice their lives on behalf of all the blessed couples who have not been able to accomplish their providential responsibilities. Just like the time when Abraham was about to sacrifice Isaac as an offering to God, God accepted Abraham's condition as a genuine one and saved Isaac's life. By going through the crash, God already accepted the condition set by True Parents and gave their lives back to us. I firmly believe that because of this providential helicopter accident, the providence will make a quantum leap and move on towards a higher dimension for the realization of God's ideal.

Even today I went through a physical therapy twice to cure my back pain. It has become my routine since I was discharged from the hospital a few days ago. I also went to see a Chinese herb medicine doctor today. Lying on a hospital bed with dozens of acupuncture needles in me, I shed tears of "Thanks to God and True Parents."

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The idea behind the web site is that every person that exists has a story to tell- his or her own life story. Who else but yourself knows better your life? In each of one's life, there is a story that would be an incredible story to read. The hope is that we would come to respect each other, because we come to realize that each person is a unique story in itself. Maybe even realize that there is a great mind behind all of our lives-a Creator- a God a being that is beyond each of us. The hope is that we can realize that we are truly all brothers and sisters, who may look different, speak different and yes act different but each one should be respected and loved.

A new feature to the site is a translation tool so you can read it in your own language. As of now, the Web site can be translated into 11 languages. Let the story of your life be told. We all have a story to tell.

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Happy 80th Birthday Wishes



Best Wishes from Raymond & Irma Mas, Abel National Messiahs to Turkey

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A Life of Humble and Loving Service

y wife and I will always treasure the time we spent together with Won Pil Kim. I was part of a group of foreign missionaries called from the field to assist the new Home Church Providence launched by True Father in London.

Won Pil Kim took all of us missionaries under his wings, and what wings they were! For many days we would meet us every morning at 5 am, pouring out his heart to us. speaking about his early days with True Father. There were so many stories, and we felt his desperation to transmit whatever he could of those early days together with True Father and the early followers. I knew then that this was an enormous privilege, but I don't think I really understood how much of one it was. He came to know our couple and gave us wonderful personal guidance. We felt his deep care and love for us. But a few times, when I disappointed him, I felt the full heavenly wrath of this kind and sweet man, and I knew that I did not want to see it again! But what most impressed me about Rev. Won Pil Kim was his deep humility. He had a driver who would take him all over England, tirelessly

visiting centers to give guidance. He spent many nights sleeping in that car. He did not want to incur any expenses and he did not want to burden anyone, because he knew that many members would be running around in a panic to properly prepare for him. That is the kind of man Won Pil Kim is.

At one center, where he was given a bedroom, he discovered that there was a newly Blessed Couple there. He promptly gave them his room and slept in the living room. That is Won Pil Kim.

On another occasion, while visiting a center, he met an older man who had newly joined the church. The man asked Won Pil Kim, "Are you a new member too? Rev. Kim just laughed and laughed that wonderful joyful laugh of his that I think must have comforted True Father on many lonely nights in the early days. He never took offense or sought to boast of his position. Instead, I felt that he was somehow pleased, that his joyful faith was still intact after all those may years and though so many hardships and pain. That is Won Pil Kim. This is how he has lived his life. Quietly, humbly, unassumingly. He would be easy to miss if you did not know who he was. But if you had the great good fortune to hear him speak, you could never forget it and it would transform you. On his 80th Birthday, my wife and I want join in honoring this great man of God, for all his years of humble, loving, quiet service to all

of us, and to True Father, especially in those lonely, painful and challenging early years. Thank you Rev. Kim

Larry Krishnek Seattle, Washington

I came to New York City in March 1984 to join the IOWC after 10 years on MFT.

after 10 years on MFT. Rev. Won Pil Kim tasked Mr. Sawada and myself with gathering together all the brothers and sisters who had drifted out of the IOWC and joining them into a new team; Team 100. Rev. Kim counseled many people directly providing loving care and some very creative options. I have very clear memories of Rev. Kim penciling diagrams to help illustrate the points he was making. (I inherited his style of drawing 'arrows' and use it to this day!) Because of Rev. Kim's heart of love for these members, he wanted them to continue to be counted as part of IOWC although they might be involved in different work. Under his guidance, Team 100 became the largest IOWC team, a team that could make many important contributions to the Providence at that time. Thank You

Best wishes from Reiner Vincenz.

Dear Rev. Kim, Congratulations from all my heart to your great 80Th Birthday Anniversary. Thanks to your commitment in the early days our True Father could start his great mission. I can never forget, when I have met you in 1975 for the very first time in Korea in connection with the IO WC activities and the Yoido Rally campaign. Later on I had the great honor to work with you in England in the home church campaign and even later in Germany in the HWH mission. You always have connected every action with the heart and life and restoration to our True Parents mission. You are for all of us the great example of a loving faithful and devoted follower of our True Parents all, the time. May you have a very wonderful and deep, birthday. Happy birthday Rev. Kim.

Best Wishes from Pamela Gaarder

Principle and stories from True Father's life. One point I recall him making that struck and stuck most sharply was the astonishing assertion that every time one graduates to a new level of wisdom, one must begin all over like a kindergartner, even him! That shook me up and I think brought out some humility in me.

I love you Reverend Kim!!!!!! Happy Birthday !!!!!!!!

Best Wishes from David Caprara

Around 1984 Won Pil Kim visited the Chicago church. He joined me at 5:00 in the morning for Project Volunteer work enlisting donations to feed the poor through a network of community churches. We went to the busy "water markets" where buyers and sellers of produce and other foodstuffs were briskly doing business on a cool Chicago morning. I did not want him to help me carry the heavy donated crates of food, but he insisted to carry them on his back with joy. His warm and smiling countenance and his signature with "Parental Heart" inscribed in my Divine Principle book, deeply moved me and showed the profound character of this early disciple and his heatfelt reflection on Father.

Best Wishes from Chaplain Daryl M. Clarke

Sometime in 1978 True Parents initiated the Home Church Providence Worldwide. I was a missionary member in the Baltimore, MD Church center under the leadership of Rev. Michael Jenkins. Rev. Jenkins and every member of the Baltimore Church deeply inherited the responsibility to serve the community through the Home Church Providence. During this time Father assigned Rev. Won Pil Kim as the International Home Church Director. Rev. Kim visited our center in Baltimore for a couple of days. Each of us were extremely excited and inspired to have the Blessing of sharing time with Rev. Kim.

We received his education, guidance, inspiration and training on how to approach, serve, educate and raise up individuals and families in our Home Church areas centered on True Parents heart and standard. From all that we received, naturally we got the FIRE from Heaven and broke through on many levels in Baltimore. Many joined the Church as full time and Home Church members. We offer Rev. Won Pil Kim much respect, gratitude and appreciation for all the heartfelt investments that he gave to the American Movement in teaching each of us about Father's heart, traditions and life. Thank You So Very Much Rev. Won Pil Kim. HAPPY 80th BIRTHDAY!!! May God Bless You and Your Family! AJU!!!!!

Living in the New Yorker during the period before and after my matching (1982) I was struggling big time with cutting off from bad habits of negative thinking and selfish habits. In retrospect I see how God worked to save me through the people around me, including Reverend Kim. I was independent of CFs and rented my own room in the WMC, but accepted to meet in the mornings with a small group of members and Reverend Kim, for "morning service" together, on the 8th floor. He was unfailingly kind to us all, gentle, parental, generous with his mirth, {(his high-pitched giggle is unforgettable), and most concerned with feeding us spiritual food: Divine

Best Wishes from John Haydon Washington D.C. 8/20/2008

He walked in the Shoes of Servant with a Father's heart.

When many of us think of Rev. Won Pil Kim we admire his humility

Elder Won Pil Kim

and sensitivity. Rev. Kim followed True Father with a humble heart and set a high standard for all of Reverend Moon's followers to look up to.

Rev. Kim was a leader and a teacher, but he did it with a dignity and humility that earned the respect of us all. With his gentleness and kindness, Rev. Kim had the ability to give astounding spiritual wisdom.

I remember when I was running the 21-day workshop center in Dunbar in Scotland in 1979, Rev. Kim came to visit is us as there were many members from the International One World Crusade staying at the center. We prepared the best room for Rev. Kim to stay in.

When I came downstairs in the middle of the night, I found Rev. Kim sleeping on the floor in the lecture room in a sleeping bag, just like many of the members, who were sleeping in the other rooms. I was very moved when I saw this. Here was the man that had followed True Father loyally all those years - the first disciple of our movement - yet after all those years he was still the most humble of people in our movement.

In another incident, Rev. Won Pil Kim gently chastised me concerning some of my decisions at the workshop. I was a little upset and I think he saw my disappointment. As I was leaving the room he placed some money in my hand and said, "Go by a suit". I had come form a poor background and it was the first time that someone had shown that kindness. While I have outgrown that suit, it still hangs in my wardrobe and when I look at it I remember this most humble man of God, who through out his life sowed seeds of wisdom and taught me to give kindness to other. he was a true example of our True Father. Happy Birthday Rev. Kim. Live long.

Best Wishes from Barbara Karnowski blessed to Richard Karnowski

Dear Won Pil Kim, Happy 80th birthday.

It was such an honor to have worked with you in South London in 1978 and Home Church office in the 1980's. Recently at the Global Peace Festival in Washington DC I was happy to meet again with Kazui and Kayo. We have been in our home town in Kansas since 1991. Our third daughter is matched and blessed by our True Parents and we are looking for a match for our second daughter. You were a great spiritual influence in my spiritual path. You showed me what a true abel is. I am thinking of compiling all your spiritual guidance in a book.

Thank you again.

Best Wishes from Donna Chong Davis

I worked with Rev. Kim in New York City when Home Church was first getting off the ground. Being one of the IWs out of a handful, we each had a group of members (News World, Performing Arts, etc.) we were assigned to follow up on. He asked us to encouraged them to visit their areas, invite guests to programs, and most importantly, serve their Home Church area. Father spoke about Home Church every Sunday and no one believed in it more than Rev. Kim. Because of the gentle, kind, but persistent nature that he possessed, Rev. Kim was able to persuade many members who ordinarily would not be too active to go out into their areas regularly.

He earned all members respect because he genuinely loved them. To this day, even after 37 years in the movement, he still remains my all-time favorite Korean leader because of his especially kind and humble heart, his willingness to listen to members at all hours, and last but not least, his deep filial piety towards True Parents.

On another note, I was also always impressed with the devotion that he had for his somewhat fragile wife. They were so attentive to each other and had such a genuine and mutual affection which was almost

child-like in quality.

With love from Alan J. Inman Secretary General, District II Universal Peace Federation - USA

As I think back to my time in the early Philadelphia Church during the height of the Home Chuch Providence, I will never forget both the wonderful guidance that Rev. Kim gave us as well as how that guidance led me to achieve significant outcomes. One experience I had was when the wife partner of an ederly Home Church couple passed, the family invited me to come to the home and take a place of honor at their dinner table. They expressed how their matriach was so grateful to have known me. This was a small example of how we impacted lives in our HC areas, but it clearly was due to the guidance that Rev. Kim gave us.

Rev. Kim was apart of my spirituality then and often even now I reflect on his directions that help me during challenging situations. Happy Birthday Rev. Won Pil Kim!!!

Best Wishes from Jayne Kerr Turconi

I just wanted to thank Rev Won Pil Kim for all he has done for Father and America. He used to sit in

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I was a one of them. That time

I painted T.F's life stories. That time

Mr Kim came to our studio with his

son Jin Goon .He asked me to teach

his son art. How to paint. & so I did for

2 years . That time Mr. Kim came to

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the New Yorker Hotel in the 1980's with members and give internal guidance. I remember one individual appointment I had with him. We both sat on the floor and there was a coffee table he would use with paper to draw

diagrams on them to explain his internal guidance. He always seemed to wear the same shirt and pants when he saw us. I believe they were brown. He drew circles and diagrams and told me that many people inside and outside of The Unification Church would not understand me and possibly judge me, but that I understood God's heart and continue with God's direction no matter what others thought.

Best Wishes frm Robert Sayre

Rev. Kim visited Los Angeles in 1978, staying with his family at the Pasadena House. At the time, I was responsible for the property and kind of а business manager for the region. The "matching and blessing" were in

the air and we all were wondering what this was really all about and what this would mean for us.

Rev. Kim met with our membership one morning and in his high and sweet voice explained to us the importance of the Blessing. I remember him saying, "everyone who is blessed is the same, we all receive this blessing of grace from True Parents. The only difference between me, you and any blessed member is our experiences. I have been around a little longer than others and have more Japanese with you. And I had just joined the movement in Washington, D.C. in the late 60's when you gave a sermon there. I remember your humble heart and loving nature which really impressed me.

God bless you as you celebrate this milestone.

neck of my sweater. It was too late to Won P Kim. In 1980 when T.F called 5 be embarrassed. That is my closest artists in N.Y. memory of Won Pil Kim.

Best Wishes from Ken Morgan., central Texas.

For six years I served on MFT in the mid Atlantic area. During those challenging years we MFT'rs learned

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the studio so many times & watched me painting for a long time & sometimes shared with me his experiences with T.F. Some times when I met his family on the street, he invited me to go to eat at the restaurant with them. He was always friendly & so natural to anyone. But he told me one story . When he came down from N.K to south T.F promised him to send him to the school. So after they got in south T.F sent him to the university (art) .but he couldn't graduated. Because he was too busy for the church & also no money. But he said that it was only thing in his life that regretted. Because F sent him but he didn't with

Best Wishes from Cynthia Nakai/NJ Happy Birthday Rev. Kim!

When I was working at the New Yorker Hotel, I used to love coming to hear his nightly talks about Home Church, and the internal meaning behind it. He always gave so much heart in his talks, and said that even if you visit someone and they are not home, the door will remember you visited, and they will feel it. I truly appreciated his guidance.

Best Wishes from Judith Grant-

to use our time very efficiently. Though we enjoyed few breaks, workshops etc. there were invaluable golden moments of divine love and appreciation showered upon us. One such treasure for me was a small stapled collection of words, about 20 pages, from Rev. Won Pil Kim.

His words were an invaluable source of strength and hope for me. What I appreciated in part was the simplicity, sincerety and genuineness that emanated from each "saying". His gift, much like the profound simplicity of Dae Mo Nim's words, was to distill volumes of content into a few lines. A year ago, when Rev. Kim went on a national tour across America, I remember thinking, 'wow, I can only imagine the magnitude of his collective words at this point in time'. To my surprise, his words were the same as before. I realized, there was nothing to add to or improve upon. His words were and are the unvarnished, central words from our Heavenly Father. Thank you so much for your exemplary life of faith Rev. Kim

his situations.

That much he always sincere towards T.F wish & desire. Also when he was very sick TF called all leaders to America for 40 days training .He went there from the hospital in Japan...he was so sick that he couldn't walk well & couldn't see well, but still he went there. He has a few paintings of mine still. I really hope he will be able to live long ... & just want to say from my bottom of heart "Happy Birthday" to him.

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experiences.

Rev. Kim is the personification of humility.

Best Wishes from Dr. and Mrs. Edwin and Marie Ang

To our dear elder brother, Won Pil Kim,

We congratulate you on your 80th birthday, with our gratitude and indebtedness to you for all you have sacrificed and all the guidance you have given to all of our brothers and sisters. You have given us special memories in our life of faith. Edwin remembers when you came to the United States with the Little Angels in the early 1960's and he spoke a little

Wilson

River Falls, WI.

I want to send my deepest love to our elder brother for all the years of steadfast love and service to our True Parents.

Once when I worked with U.S. Foods, our offices were temporarily in an apartment in Arlington, Virginia. I and three others were working late at the office. The apartment door opened and there stood Won Pil Kim. I was eatting some ramen noodles at the time and was so surprised to see him and I jumped up quickly to greet him. He stayed to talk to us and only after he left did I realize that I had some noodles hanging off the cowl

Best Wishes from Shigeyoshi Watanabe (a.k.a. Wabe; artist)

I have a lots of memories of Mr

Sincerely Wabe

Testimony of Jerry Chesnut, who worked in Rev. Won Pil Kim's office in America from 1984 until 1991.

To understand what Rev. Kim might think about this testimony, let me tell a story. Forty years after first meeting Father in 1946, while he was leader of the European church, the members there decided to throw him a surprise "40th Spiritual Birthday" celebration in his honor. They even prepared a trophy for him. When Rev. Kim realized what was happening, he cancelled the celebration, returned the trophy, and sent everyone home. "How can you honor me for causing

suffering to Father for forty years?" mission place.

was his response. I became Rev. Kim's driver and assistant in 1984. I discovered that he lived a truly simple life. He always lived in one room with his wife, never owning a home. Their vehicles and residences were public property. Never seeming to sleep more than two or three hours a night, he always went to bed after me, and awoke before I did. He rarely saw his children, missing graduations, recitals, and weddings, so that he could be with us. He and Mrs. Kim never ate in a restaurant or went to the movies or did anything in public without bringing along at least one member, ever. Not even once. Their children would give their parents gifts on occasions, such as a scarf or necktie, only to see members wearing their gifts a few hours later.

Because I've always been skinny, Rev. Kim made Herculean efforts to fatten me up. When I was with him, I ate and ate and ate. He never asked me to wait in the car while he ate with leaders in a restaurant, but always invited me in to sit with them and eat at the same table.

When Father was in Danbury prison, we members in the New York area had a prayer condition every night near what is known as Father's Rock at Belvedere. Each night a different department was responsible to bring its members there to pray from midnight until 2am, if I remember correctly, no matter what the weather was like. Near that rock is a small pond with a tiny log cabin that was built for the wealthy former owner's children to play in. It was full of rat holes and debris and was entirely neglected. One day, Rev. Kim asked me to help him fix it up a bit, even putting up some leftover wallpaper on the walls.

It had no heat, so we put in an electric blanket on top of other blankets on the dirt floor. I didn't know why we were fixing up that cabin, but I guessed that it was to give me the experience of building that cardboard and mud hut that Won Pil Kim and Father had built together in Pusan so many years before. I thought maybe he and I were going to spend the night there. What few members realized at the time was that Rev. Kim was the only person that went to Belevedere every night to pray during that prayer condition and that, afterwards, would join his tiny, frail wife in that tiny, cold cabin. He had put that electric blanket and that wallpaper in there for her. That was their home during Father's time in Danbury prison. He wanted to share Father's course and created his own, self-inflicted Danbury prison cell. continued He his regular responsibilities after spending nearlysleepless nights in that cabin and never told anyone that they were staying there. It wasn't for show.

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I was happy about that arrangement since True Parents were here in New York and speaking every weekend in Belvedere. Also many Korean Church Elders were present during that time. I, in particular liked Rev. Won Pil Kim. I thought he was the Rev. W. P. Kim once a week at the News World Building. I looked for ward to these meetings since I appreciated Rev. Kim's advice very much. The main objective was to get all the members to move out of the New Yorker and into a Home Church Area. He gave me much encouragement and I found it easy to



speak of at that time. He also looked into the fridge. He mentioned, with a smile on his face, that our fridge was pretty empty. We had a good laugh about the whole situation and knew that God's blessings would have to come our way sooner or later.

We enjoyed having Rev. Kim over at our house. We sat in a circle on the floor and discuss how to bring victory in our Home Church outreach. My wife had prepared a plate of fruits for Rev. Kim and his assistant. When he picked up the plate a cockroach ran from under the plate. We ere somewhat embarrassed but he just brushed it aside, did not lose a beat and kept on talking.

I will never forget Rev. Kim. I asked him to name my first two children, a girl, Young Ai, and a boy, Young Nam.

From the Heller family we wish Rev. Won Pil Kim a wonderful 80th birthday celebration and many more happy years for him to be able support our True Parents here on earth. God Bless You Rev. Kim, and God

God Bless You Rev. Kim, and God Bless Your Family.

Best Wishes from Grace Ayad

I met my spiritual parent on June 24, 1983, if I recall correctly, while on vacations. It was a Friday, and after the introduction program, I was invited to Connecticut to Camp West Hill for the weekend. The 2-Day Workshop lead me to the 7-Day Workshop and then to the 21-Day Workshop. It was almost the end of the 21 days, and I was supposed to decide whether to join the 40-Day Program or go back to Mexico.

At that time, I was an atheist, so I was finding it hard to joining a religious movement. Getting a sign from God was rather difficult, since I did not believe in God. Finally, one day I decided to pray, so I said in my prayer, "God, if you exist, please give a sign, something tangible. I don't believe that Rev. Moon is a good man (I had received bad info about Father from another guest), but if you do exist, tell me what's your will for my life."

Next day during a break, the 21-Day Workshop guests, and the staff members, were called to a meeting. So there we were, all crowded in little room. Then I noticed an older man, very simply dressed and wearing sandals. It was Rev. Won Pil Kim. He spoke very gently and with great depth of heart. I could feel emanating from his persona humility and goodness. I was very impressed by him. His visit was short, and he left right after giving some internal guidance. After he left, I asked, "Who was that person?" I found out that he was Rev. Moon's first disciple. My logical conclusion was that if he seemed to be such a humble and good person, and he was only a disciple, then Rev. Moon should be an even better man. I considered that my sign from God. My prayer was answered, and I had to join. God bless! 🛠

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Testimony about Rev. Won Pil Kim Jorg Heller August 19, 2008

I came to the United States from Canada to join the News World and help start the Washington Times. However, no one really knew what to do with me after out training time had finished. Instead of going to Washington, DC I stayed in New York and made the Tiffany Building my most humble and thoughtful Korea Elder Member I ever met.

I had been assigned to be the spiritual representative for our movement at the News World which would become the New York City Tribune later on. True Father was speaking about "Home Church" at Belvedere every Sunday. Rev. Won Pil Kim was in charge of the Home Church Providence at that time which was the central providence for our movement in the USA.

We would have a meeting with

talk to him. I could not say that about other Korean Elders I had met and contact with. I could feel that Rev. Kim really understood the members and the situation they were facing spiritually and financially.

I eventually moved into an apartment in my home church area in Harlem. After we got the place cleaned up somewhat we invited Rev. W.P. Kim to come and bless our place. When Rev. Kim came he greeted us kindly as he looked around the whole apartment. There was no furniture to

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Unification News Agape family Festival, Houston

By Joy Theriot & Paula Fujiwara

uly 19th was proclaimed now and for always "Agape Family Peace Day" in Houston by Mayor Bill White. And for good reason. Sixty adults and more than 30 teens and 20 children from around the metropolitan area representing 8 church congregations, a Buddhist sect, and a child care center gathered at the Will of God Family Church to celebrate the first annual Agape Family Festival.

The event was a Mini GFP spon-

sored by the Universal Peace Federation, FFWPU, Will of God Family Church pastored by the Local ACLC Co-Chair and Ambassador for Peace Pastor Charles and Essie Keys, Gloryland Missionary Baptist Church pastored by National ACLC Executive Committee members Pastor Bennit and Mrs. Ethel Hayes, the Family Outreach Foundation, and Houston's Women's Federation for World Peace led by Rev. Joy Theriot. Several new projects were launched on this occasion, including the Joyful Voices Interfaith Choir led by Mrs. Taeko White and the Agape Fishing Club for religious leaders led by Galveston PD Detective

Jason Chide. Also Helen Kashiwa and Laura Lea, our precious American sisters, were instrumental in the development of the event.

The Festival was intended as a means to bring together the "body of Christ" to substantially demonstrate the love of God to our community, and as a kick off for the August 9th Global Peace Festival. The Festival consisted of a service project, an entertainment program, presentations on ACLC & GPF, an Ambassadors' for Peace Awards Ceremony, a "Toast for Peace", a Unity Candle Ceremony "Call to Action," and a Victory Dinner hosted by the Reverend and Mrs. Keys.

In conjunction with the Global Peace Festival U.S.A.'s million acts of kindness, a service project was performed on Saturday, July 12th at the Will of God Family Church. A one and one half acre of land behind the sanctuary was cleared of undergrowth to prepare for the construction of a learning center for inner city youth, which will focus on technical and character education. The chain link fence along the front was extended and a flower garden was lovingly landscaped underneath the church signboard. It was a hot and humid summer day, but the young people didn't complain. They just kept that

a bake sale, a silent auction and the collection of a love offering.

The festivities began outdoors on the grounds of the Will of God Family Church where two "Moon Walk" bounce houses, three tents, two BBQ grills and lots of chairs and tables were set up. Some of the teenagers who were involved in the Houston Family Church Il Shim program fulfilled their service requirement by doing volunteer work preparing the grounds the previous Saturday and also organizing a balloon toss and ice-cream eating contest for the younger kids who came for the festival. Co-pastor Essie Keys personally

by an invocation and welcoming remarks from Pastor and Copastor Keys. Robert Exler, the Houston

A.C.L.C. Coordinator, gave an impassioned, Holy Spirit filled speech connecting our hearts and prayers for True Parents' recovery and emphasizing that now is the time for the unity of believers to bring about "One family under God, Aju!" This was followed by the showing of the introductory video about the Global Peace Festival and an invitation by John and Joy Theriot to come to Washington, D.C.. on August 9th. Pastor Keys then introduced his fellow Coconvener of the Houston chapter of

the American Clergy Leadership Conference, Rev. Bennit Hayes, who gave the keynote address titled "Open Your Eyes." His key point was that any barriers between us are not of God because God is love.

Eight new Ambassadors for Peace received their certificates of appointment and seven Service for Peace certificates of commendation were also awarded by Joy Theriot and the Keys. Then a "Toast for Peace" was shared by married couples and all others present. The program concluded with a "Unity Candle Ceremony" and a Call to Action by Rev. and Mrs. Hayes for everyone to support and participate in the Global Peace Festi-

served hot dogs and hamburgers to val. every comer as people arrived for an afternoon of family fun and inspira-

tion After lunch the indoor program began with entertainment, which included three songs from the newly formed Joyful Voices Interfaith Choir followed by a Filipino ceremonial candle dance, which was performed with the lights off. The performances created a very wonderful spirit and was punctuated

Everyone who could stay longer was invited for a dinner in the church dining room with the Keys and Hayes couples. The fellowship over that meal was full of hope and excitement for the future of interfaith cooperation and service in Houston. Heavenly Father, Mansei! True Parents, Mansie! Global Peace Festival, Mansei! 🛠

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hose running and used it to cool off! The Keys kept a huge cooler well stocked with juice, soda and water on the front porch of the church and they stoked up the grill to keep those hot dogs and hamburgers coming!

The July 19th Agape Family Festival was free and open to all. It is notable that no special budget was created for this event. The monthly outreach budget from the Houston Family Church was supplemented by donations of supplies and

services by individuals and local businesses. During the festival there was also



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Peace Cup Festival, Kernersville, North Carolina

by Rev. Burgi Hutcherson

n Sunday, July 27th, 2008 the North Carolina ACLC organized 1st its Annual Peace Cup Festival in an effort to create a movement of building 'One Family, Under God". The Peace Festival was held on the field by the church of Iglesia Cristiana Wesleyana, where Rev. Fermin Bocanegra is the pastor.

After only a few weeks in planning meetings with the local ACLC leaders, the decision was made to organize this festival. Soon afterwards, on July 8th, we gathered about 30 volunteers to bring young people together to start preparing the place. Due to the focused and determined effort of Rev. Fermin Bocanegra, the field was completed in time.

The Opening Ceremony was set for 3pm, but was postponed because of rain and strong winds. The uncertainty of the weather sent many people to prayer asking for grace over this day; sure enough, the sky lightened up, the winds calmed down, and the rain stopped. We felt God's presence with us and the opening could begin. The music band of Iglesia Cristiana Wesleyana brought everyone together in a festive spirit.

Rev. Fermin Bocanegra gave the welcome and then three Abrahamic faith leaders gave their respective prayer. Rev. Fermin Bocanegra shared about his vision, mission, and purpose of the sports field. Then three individuals, Mr. Philip Smith, Mr. A. D. Snow, and Mr. Luciano Covarubias, received beautiful Certificates of Appreciation for their investment in the Hispanic community and for making this sports field possible. The leaders of Iglesia Cristiana

Wesleyana (and other faith leaders) were then invited to help cut the ribbon for the opening.

Following the official opening of the field, the Peace Cup Games were

ham faiths to the background music of the Jewish leader blowing the shofar, and the Jewish group performed a joyful dance.

Next, the game director, Beth

leyball, and tug of war. All the teams were fighting hard to win. At 7 pm the competition was completed and we were ready for the Award ceremony.

It was opened up with another

Jewish dance, and then Mr. Carlos Bocanegra read the proclamation of the mayor of Kernersville honoring pNational Parents Day. Four couples, which were selected by their respective religious organization, were chosen to receive the Parents of Excellence Award. Then, as the final moment, the Peace Cup winner was announced. Host pastor Rev. Fermin Bocanegra's team received the beautiful Peace Cup. His church will keep the trophy until the 2nd Annual Peace Cup and then that winner can keep it for the next year.

The youth of the different churches are determined to be better prepared next time to be able to win the Peace Cup.

I'd like to thank all the participants and volunteers who made this first annual Peace Cup Festival a great success. Especially I want to thank the families of Iglesia Cristiana Wesleyana for hosting the event, and, most of all, I'd like to thank Pastor Fermin Bocanegra for his tireless contribution of time and money. Without him,

this festival would not have been possible. We are very grateful for a man with such vision.

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<u>I Love My Neighborhood, My Familyhood</u>

By Pastor Mike Yakawich

August 17th, 2008

Ephesians 4:25

"Wherefore putting away lying, speaking every man truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another."

wish to build the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth. Do you? Where to start? We can begin by building the Kingdom in our neighborhood. This is one of the best places to start. As the Bible explains, be free and brave to speak the truth to your neighbors for we are one family under God. Our neighborhood is our "familyhood". As Father Moon often talked about Home Church, neighborhood outreach is where it is all at! You claim an area of your neighborhood and you love it. You serve and take care of those living around you. It begins simply, requires no money and it is free to do. Miracles happen and the Kingdom develops. It is a profound truth. It is the place where I have grown and found myself.

I have walked a great deal in my neighbor. Lately, I walk about three miles a day from one direction to another. You see so much more of your neighborhood. Often, during special events, you may go door to door. Earlier this year, my wife and I handed out over 1,500 fliers all over the Southside neighborhood for a Hispanic Fair.

I WALK in my neighborhood and discover:

a. You see and meet old and new friends.

My neighbors are part of my spiritual family. I see Steve next door, Monty down the street, Betty near the park, Barbara, Marion, Greye all close by. There is Phyllis, Carmen and Missey, Sarah, Floella and Jim, Jake, Pauline, Bob and Robert, Irene, Kathleen and Dave, Bret and Chris, Felecia, Mary, and so many more that live in my neighborhood, my "familyhood", my home church. This is why I love my neighborhood.

b. You see it from a new perspective rather than from inside a car.c. You learn more of its character.

As I walk, I meet good people who are happy to talk. I see how some work so hard to make their yards look nice. They care for their neighborhood. Some have flag poles and flags in their front yard expressing pride in our country. Others have invested in their There have been times when in my times of challenges and stress a neighbor would take me in and share a cup of coffee with me. That special grandma or motherly figure would listen and share some time. I have one grandma that has purchased the Readers Digest for me over the years. I know Tiny has eased my worries more than once sitting at her kitchen table. **b.** They share their joys and their sadness.

Last week, I visited a friend at his home. As we talked, it seemed that he joked if we would see each other next month. As I talked with him more, he told me he has been having hard time breathing and he was in fact very concerned. I encouraged him to see a doctor. He then shared some other personal struggles in his life. Perhaps, I could not solve his situations, but I could listen and for that he was grateful. I too realize how much people are living in their own pain and agony. Yet, in my heart I felt that he was my son whom I have been blessed to meet and an honor to love and have an opportunity to connect him closer to Heavenly Father.

c. I feel I am extending my spiritual family.

One lady I walked by had a little dog. I stopped to pet the dog. She said you are Mike? I was surprised that she knew me. She knew me from a friend of hers. Then she began to tell me a story of her rose garden that she had to take out because people would stop by and cut her roses and help themselves without asking. She was sad especially when her 200 lb bird bath was stolen in front of her yard. I felt she just needed someone to talk to.

Father Moon spoke many times of reaching out to those in your community. He would comment on ride a motor cycle with someone, bake sweet potatoes for your neighbor, write letters or just sweep the street. He said, "Think about it. I am an interesting man. I have researched into that kind of things a lot. Whenever I go...If I meet a grandfather in the village, then I become his friend: if I meet a grandmother, I become her friend; if I meet an older woman, I become her friend; and if I meet a young lady, I can become her friend. When I am with children, I play with them. So, those who joined (our)...church at that time can never forget me." This is the spirit of "familyhood", home church.

What are some simple things to do for neighborhood outreach?

Share a meal with your neighbor.

Get their phone number to call them in an emergency or special need. Join a neighborhood organization and volunteer.

The Bible clearly states what not to do to your neighbor such as bearing false witness and coveting (Ex 20:16-17), lying and hating (Lev. 6:2-5), despising (Prov. 14:21), enticing (Prov. 16:29), deception (Prov. 26:19), and adultery (Jer. 29:23). It does say to love (Rom. 13:9-10) and to teach (Jer. 31:34). In St. Luke 10:25-37 talks about how to inherit eternal life. Jesus said you shall love your neighbor as yourself. Some asked who is my neighbor? Jesus answered the one who shows mercy on his neighbor.

How can we show mercy to our neighbors?

Share your faith with your neighbor.

Last weekend on my sales route, I had people who attended the baptism I conducted in Roberts, MT tell me how much they felt the Holy Spirit. One dad who wishes me to baptism his daughter said, "You made the experience very holy and included us all in the event." We can expand our neighborhood, this "familyhood" to other communities as well.

Pray with your neighbor and pray for them.

On August 9, 2008, we participated in the Global Peace Festival by doing "Million Acts of Kindness" here in Billings at a local rest home. They youth performed about ? hour of various musical instruments. It was wonderful. The director is a friend who works with me on a neighborhood taskforce. Also, two residents were our next door neighbors. Only one attended the musical since the other is very sick and ready to pass. I felt how much our family is extended into the neighborhood. One of the youth who performed is a friend of my daughter. She came with her Mom, sister and aunt. It was great to have them all there. Later my family and I stopped at one of the rooms to visit and pray with Floella who was my next door neighbor. to

Invite your neighbor to Church. Invite your neighbor to a

public event or program.

Teach them the Principle. My wife said. "Trust in Go

My wife said, "Trust in God" and "Believe that God is working with you." With these words I reflect on my own mission here in Montana. We are really a mission in the Great Plains. We are pioneering. Our resources are limited. We sometimes stretch our relations and stress the staff for it is few. God has blessed us that with so few we had done so much. Yet, it is so true. I need to trust in God. We need to believe that God is with us and guiding us. Many great things are occurring and will occur now and in the future. Much of my source of inspiration has come from my neighborhood. Indeed, I believe many of our personal issues between each other can be overcome with our outreach and investment in our neighborhood.

Share with your neighbor what happen in church today.

Give them a copy of the bulletin and the sermon.

Invite them to meet your pastor and other members. I carry a good "chunk" of church cards wherever I go. I call them my undercover cards. I share them in my ministry, in my work and hand them out to people whom I feel are open.

Connect them to your church such as:

Letting them know that the pastor and his wife offers couples Enrichment classes

Let them know about Wednesday Family Study.

Let them know about Women's Tuesday Prayer.

Invite them to a workshop.

At our last Cooney Retreat where we camped for a couple of nights at a Reservoir, I was so inspired to see my daughter's friends join us. They participated in our spiritual activities as well as the fun in swimming and canoeing. Two of their parents came and spent time with us. I could feel how God is guiding us. Our spiritual family can grow outside of our neighborhood and reach into the schools and even other churches. Just as I taught on prayer and family life in my sons 6th grade religion class this past year.

What can you expect?

Rejection, persecution and misunderstanding. Disappointment that they do not show up. Joy when they come to the church and or connect in some way. Challenges of listening and taking care of others. Happiness in extending your spiritual family.

As we even prepare for September, God gives us the chance to reach out. We will be doing the 7th Annual 9-11 Community Celebration of Life, on September 13th we will help support the Neighborhood Safety Fair and later in the month we will help support the Annual Suicide Prevention Out of Darkness Walk program. With so few, God is raising us up. Indeed, does our neighborhood expand to love and encompass the city itself? Our neighborhood expands to the downtown, north, west and heights. Our neighborhood can be our state! Just recently, LT. Governor John Bollinger wrote to me stating that the Office of the Governor, "...greatly appreciated your work on drug and violence awareness in the State of

homes and even boulevards. **d.** You see the good and the bad.

Last week, I was walking through the Park when I saw about 20 people gathered. They started to fight. I was so sad to see it. I walked up to them and told them to stop. I broke up the fight. They were teenage girls. Here I saw the bad. I did not know them but they knew me. They said, "Preacher mind your own business. Even the girl with the bloody nose who was losing the fight whom I helped said to me, "I don't need your help!"

I TALK with my neighbors and realized:

a. I come to know them more and they come to know me more.

Pick up garbage in your neighborhood. This is a very good habit I learned from my own father. He would daily walk around the neighborhood and pick up trash.

Visit your neighbor. Steve, my next door neighbor brought some food over to our house this week. We share with him rice and kimichi which he really loves. He looks over my home when I am away. He too is the first to come to my door on Sunday to get the first copy of my sermon on Sunday. He comes to our church sometimes and even brought his brother a couple of times. He is part of our congregation no matter how many times he comes to church. He is part of my home church and my "familyhood".

Therefore think even more specifically for outreach:

Montana." With God, there are no limitations!

So, we are called to reach out to our neighborhood. Keep it simple and find joy in it. Whether you call it Home Church or Family Church or just making friends, there is great value in reaching out to your neighborhood. I love my neighborhood. Please love your neighborhood. I would hope that I do bless them for I do know for sure they certainly bless my family and me.

Have a Blessed Week and Reach out to that Special Neighbor! �

Unification News Cleveland Prayer Breakfast

by Keiko Biddle



ur July prayer breakfast was at Fairfax Place, and the organizer and keynote speaker was Dr. Thelma Johnson. About 30 people gathered on this splendid day that the Lord had made. The emcee was Reverend W. Rickey Barksdale from Columbus. After the welcoming message information and an invitation concerning for the Global Peace Festival were presented. Then a brief introduction to Divine Principle was shared, along with an announcement of our next study session. A musical offering by FFWPU young folks drew healthy applause. Scripture reading, a beautiful prayer, and a poem were shared. Elder Edward Walton gave the ACLC membership drive.

Then, after the musical offering and introduction of our speaker by Minister Valerie Lumbus, Dr. Thelma Johnson spoke eloquently on her topic: "Destiny Watch". She spoke well on the importance of and difference between seeking, knowing, and believing in God. Ultimately we have to know God in our heart of hearts. She encouraged all to educate ourselves well on God's Word and to faithfully stay the course. The spirit of all was lifted and enlightened by her message and her wonderful heart. "One Family Under God" has been our theme for recent months, yet this was the first time the song "Where Peace Begins" was performed and it was sung very nicely by our blessed children and teens. As the theme of the Global Peace Festival, it helped us all prepare ourselves for meeting the throngs of friends and families on that exciting upcoming day.

Thank you very much everyone, for your support in many ways.

<u>A Spirit of Solidarity Through God's Love</u>

strong spirit of solidarity and praise were the hallmarks for the July ACLC Pastors' Prayer Breakfast, July 22nd, on the South Side of Chicago. A total of 125 pastors

and guests filled the dining area of host pastor Rev. Ollie James' Greater Mt. Carmel MB Church. The gathering represented many diverse cultures and several faith traditions, united together for a time of sincere prayer and fellowship. Rev. A. P. Randall of Twelve Gates MBC on the West Side of Chicago served as the emcee. The program began with a moving prelude by Mrs. Kazumi Murray with musicians from the Excellent Way COGIC choir. The delicious meal was followed by strong representative prayers for the city and nation and state. First Lady world. Belinda Williams of Chance Ministries, also on the West Side, expressed a passionate prayer for America as we face new directions in this national election vear. Rev. Joseph McAfee, Pastor of Draller R Central United Community Church and former candidate for Mayor of Chicago, challenged the clergy to unite in serving and protecting all of God's children in his earnest prayer for the city and state. He also thanked Heaven for the safety and health of Reverend and Mrs. Moon following their astonishing helicopter accident in Korea. Bishop James Hampton of Zion Healing Temple concluded the rich prayer session with his deep prayer for the world.

A unique feature of the program was an insightful PowerPoint presentation on "America at a Crossroads," given by Rev. David Rendel as a promotion for the upcoming Global Peace Festival in Washington, DC. The group was

portrayed.

The main message was delivered by Rev. Leo Franklin, Pastor of Excellent Way COGIC, following a beautiful musical presentation from one of his members. He utilized John 3:16 as his text as he explained how

and to diligently serve God as a facilitator for change through their ministries. His message was delivered with great passion and heart.

The program closed with brief remarks by Pastor T. L. Barrett, Jr. of Life Center COGIC and Founding

Member of ACLC. Afterward, Reverend Rendel played a tape-recorded message from Bishop Ki Hoon Kim thanking the pastors for their loyal support in establishing the solid ACLC foundation in Chicago. He explained that the successes in Chicago inspire him to replicate the foundation in every state of America. Everyone was moved by Bishop Kim's humility and love. Chicago ACLC Co-Chairman Dr. A. Harold White then offered the benediction. This prayer

breakfast was a wonderful expression of the power of God's love in unifying the hearts, minds, and spirits of His children Representatives of the Nation of Islam joined their Christian brothers and sisters in the prayer and fellowship. Members of four races shared together as one family. Long-time friends and thirteen first-time guests mutually agreed with the vision and purpose of the ACLC. We are truly blessed to be a part of the realization of God's dream through the ACLC

mission! 🛠





particularly responsive as he described how God's dream for America is yet to be fulfilled and that it is people of faith who are solely able to bring the dream to reality. God's eternal ideal of "One Family Under God" was clearly God's absolute love for the creation and humankind is our greatest hope and blessing! He challenged the clergy to maintain an optimistic and faithful perspective on positive change, regardless of age and circumstance,

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THE NEW VOICES OF OUR GENERATION

STF Family Workshop

by Mr. Ken Bates

8/22 - 8/24/08

o conclude the month long Kickoff Workshop for new STF participants, STF held its' Family Workshop over the weekend of August 22nd to 24th. Sixty two families were registered, with between one and six family members each, for a total of over 100 parents and siblings in attendance; in addition to the 180 STF members and staff already present.

The STF members were already in extremely high spirits, having had the opportunity to see Hyun Jin Nim four times during their workshop (including their attendance and active role in the GPF in Washington DC). They were especially blessed with a visit from In Jin Nim and Jin Sung Nim one day before the parents arrived, when she talked specifically about how to be successful in life after STF, and concluded with a massive and energetic Yute game. Also the Continental Directors and President had visited and inspired STF.

This weekend, besides the moving testimonies and opportunities to bond over families' games or entertainment, STF core staff presented details on the new 'One Year STF Program', with the theme of "Gain Conviction in My Identity and Ownership over God's Dream". There are many changes happening as the new program develops, and many new opportunities for young people to get involved in. For example Tomeo Wise has taken responsibility as the first Second Gen to be in the core staff and from this year on all team leaders are from the 2nd Generation.

The current program includes both fundraising and witnessing during the year, as well as 70 days of workshops (including 7 days DP workshop, adventure training and a certified Blessing workshop), and an overseas service project in a developing country. Those who aspire for further leadership training can sign on for a second year and be trained to become the team leaders for next year.

Many developments have taken place over the past few years to make the foundation for this change. As a result the number of STF graduates of 2006 and 2007 who are active in missions and leadership roles around the country has averaged almost 60% of the 2nd year graduates, which attests to the life changing, meaningful education that occurs on STF.

There were outstanding presentations from Kenshu Aoki and Naokimi Ushiroda about the recent developments in programs for kids younger than STF age, and those who have recently graduated. Kenshu's talk explained about the greatest lessons he learned on STF. These included learning how to relate to others without pre-concepts or fear, building a habit of internal discipline, and understanding the process required to create miracles in everyday life. Naokimi explained about the big developments in Jr. STF, which is now active in 15 cities around the country.

As the conclusion, Rev. Jenkins gave the Sunday Sermon ('God has prepared the Leaders') at the UTS chapel, inspiring and urging young leaders to rise up - this was followed immediately with the Inauguration of Kenshu Aoki as the first 2nd Gen President of CARP USA.

All of the parents and young people at the workshop agreed that this is a very exciting time to be active and to be young!



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Unification News: Youth Education Column



ummer 2008 Camp Tour (Jun-Aug): I had the wonderful opportunity this summer to visit 14 camps. Each one had a unique flavor, and it was very encouraging to see all the 1st & 2nd Gen involved in staffing and participating in these camps. I learned a lot, and I hope to continue to support the development of all these camps through the sharing of best practices, and discussing common challenges together. We are planning a camp directors gathering during the first weekend of October. Here are the list of the camps that I visited this summer

Camp Aurora [Jun 23-24] NH: About 150 all together, 75 of which were in HS. Joint program with HS, MS, and Elementary School

Camp Lonestar [Jun 25-27] TX: About 100 participants including HS and MS, plus 50 more for the family camp. Location is a ranch inherited by the Morgan family, and is currently being renovated and invested in for future programs.

KEA Elementary Wksp [Jun 28] NJ: About 70 participants, half of which are 3rd generation, all from the NY, NJ area.

Camp T2[Jun 29-30] WA: Adventure camp, located in the St Helen's National Park. There were over 150 participants, including staff. All outdoors, with no cabins, no showers, and for part of the workshop, no tents!

Camp One Heart [Jul 1-2] CA: Directed this year by Mrs. Mary Gowey, this was the 21st year that this camp was run. There were over 150 participants, and 30+ staff mostly from LA, and the Bay Area. The MC's Caroline Chen and Kwanchai Moriya were very effective in keeping the spirit of the camp upbeat and exciting. I was able to provide some guidance through a blessing panel together with other 2nd generation Blessed couples, including Kenritsu Yamamoto.

Camp Heartland [Jul 3-4] IN: This was the first time that the IL and OH districts conducted a joint camp together. It was co-directed by Jario Gavin and Garrun Abrahams. Over120 participants & 2nd Gen staff gathered together in IN for about a week to participate in a variety of exciting activities, and receive lectures and internal guidance. Camp Georgia [Jul 9-10] GA: This was a relatively small gathering of about 25 participants including staff. It was directed by Mrs. Ryu, an elder 2nd Gen. I was invited to give several presentations, and the staff were all 2nd Gen. It was a very intimate setting, and during a very short period of time, significant realizations were gained and determinations made.

education.

Camp Tongil [Jul 11] WA: This was the only Middle School & Elementary camp that I visited this summer. It was directed by Mrs. Jane Bowman. It was held at a beautiful location, next to a lake, surrounded by high mountains and trees, with a central field encircled by cabins. It was staffed by both 1st and 2nd generation. 100+ participants. It was a very short visit, but it was nice. Also, ShinHwa nim attended this workshop to help as staff.

Camp Horizon [Jul 14-15] FL: This camp was directed by the youngest camp director this summer, Caterina Pette, age 21. About 35 gathered at the local Miami church, where I was invited to speak for 2 days.

Eastern Canada Camp [Jul 16-17] Canada: Directed by Richard Fortin, this camp gathered 80+ participants from all around Canada. I had the chance to discuss challenging questions such as "why can't I choose my own spouse?" to "how can I share my faith with my friends?"

Camp Sunrise [Jul 22-23] NY: This camp has a very long history, from even before I was born. For many years, including this one, it has been directed by Brian Sabourin. They had a series of programs, from elementary to High School age, and many of the staff were together for over a month. The HS program had around 80 participants. Aunt Debbie Grodner, who has been hosting this camp for many many years, said "This has been the best summer for camp sunrise that I have experienced. It was exactly what I always imagined camp to be like."

Camp Shehaqua [Jul 29-30] PA: This camp has also a relatively long history of over a decade of investment. It's better known as "Family Camp", and draws its unique strength from the founding principle that camp should be done together as a family. This year, there were 3 weeklong sessions, and Mr. Gregg Knoll was in charge during the week that I was invited. I spoke to the college and high school group, and was able to participate together with my family. The bonfire and entertainment night was one of the most relaxing and fun filled experiences that I have had in a camp setting.

Jr. STF National Training [Jul 22-Aug 11] NY & Washington, DC: This was our first Jr. STF National Training, gathering over 100 participants from 18 different communities. The theme was "Sharing God's Dream" and the purpose was to help each participant become a role model that can embody the dream of One Family Under God. We started in Camp Sunrise with a 4-Day staff training, continued for another 10 days there followed by a week long program in Washington DC, culminating in the Global Peace Festival. It was a pretty challenging schedule, but all the participants and staff were so enthusiastic that it created a great atmosphere for growth and learning. I hope this training will bear great fruit throughout the upcoming school year

Perspective on Youth Education

There are so many things that we could teach our youth, and based on our own family upbringing, and our experience in our movement, each of us have different perspectives as to what is important in teaching our youth and when it is appropriate to teach them. As part of my role as the director of the SungHwa Dept (Youth Education Dept for Family Fed), I have been given the opportunity to travel and discuss with many educators throughout America, and I feel with this opportunity comes the responsibility of sharing certain discoveries. My hope is to work together with all youth educators including parents to continually develop an educational track that can enrich all of our youth and guide them towards reaching their fullest potential as sons and daughters of God. In order to help fulfill this end, I have come up with a simple categorization of what I feel are the most important components for youth education in developmental order. In future issues of Unification News, I plan to expound upon each of these three categories:

Values Education: includes all universal values that stem from the original family model. It includes true family relations, character education, and service learning.

Spiritual Education: includes all education centered on the theme of how to mature spiritually. It includes topics such as developing God's 4 Great Realms of Heart, learning how to teach universal Principles of Creation, and learning how to practice living a lifestyle that

A Message from the Assistant Editor

The New Voices of Our Generation has now been running successfully for 2 years and the editors at UNEWS would like to thank all those who have contributed an article to this section. Spread the word, communicate, and link yourself to the rest of America by subscribing to the paper and submitting your voice at newvog@gmail.com for this section. We are looking to fill this section of the paper with the following submissions: articles written by our first and second generation focusing on second generation – that includes ALL second gen's! Be as *subjective* as you please, but keep in mind, that as this is a public paper, be respectful in your opinions. If you have an idea for submissions to this section, please let us know at newvog@gmail.com and send something in. keep in mind, everything will appear in UNEWS in b&w. All articles must include name, contact info, relevant dates, etc. If you wish to remain anonymous, please include that in your email. Please send all submissions for this section via email to:newvog@gmail.com. W ant to respond to an article, please email at newvog@gmail.com Spread the word, subscribe to UNEWS.

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True Family Health Training [Jul 5-6] Canada: This training has been going on for many years, led by Roddy Portelance. This year, participation was a record high with 54 participants, 9 of which continued on to the Jr. STF National training. Unlike other camps, the TFHT is mobile, traveling from one camp ground to the next and FR during the day. The final week is dedicated to DP KEA NY/NJ HighSchool Wksp [Aug 21] NJ: I was invited to speak to a group of KEA youth. There were 50+ participants, almost half of which were 3rd Generation. Through this experience, I was able to connect more with the National KEA Director, and new opportunities were opened to connect the KEA youth with national SungHwa initiatives. serves the greater good.

Identity Education: includes everything involving the theme of understanding who you are from God's perspective. This includes the following three key perspectives:

My Identity as a Child of God

My Identity as a Blessed child or Blessed member

My Identity as an extended True Family member

Question of the Month

What is the best preparation for the

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My Life of Faith and Ballet

Monument for Heung Jin Nim -**Universal Ballet Company**

We will celebrate the 25th anniversary of the founding of Universal Ballet Company next year. Universal Ballet Company was able to grow into the worldwide ballet company during the past 25 years because of True Parents' love, grace, and support. I said that my life of ballet was destiny; however that destiny was also connected with the blessing with Heung Jin Nim.

Heung Jin Nim passed away in 1984 at the age of 17 before the bloom of youth. Heung Jin Nim went the sacrificial way as the providential condition through indemnity to protect Father's life. When the accident happened, he took the wheel of the car, and it was possible for him to avoid dying; however, he sacrificed himself in order to save two second generation who were with him in the car. Because of true love and the sacrifice of Heung Jin Nim, True Parents went beyond the way of indemnity and brought greater victory. True Parents were a ble to make a worldwide foundation today. I would like to ask you to remember the noble and glorious sacrifice of Heung Jin Nim behind True Parents' victory, and be thankful for it.

After war, people usually make a monument for those who sacrificed their lives for the nation in order to remember and honor them. True Parents also made a living monument to honor Heung Jin Nim. It is *the Universal Ballet Company*. Universal Ballet Company was established in 1984 as a memorial project of Heung Jin Nim. At the time, Father wrote the calligraphy "Universal Ballet Company" in english. Maybe, it is the only piece of calligraphy he has written in English. After the founding of Universal Ballet Company, we staged such performances as *Swan Lake*, *Giselle*, or *Shimcheong*, which were performances to honor the true love and sacrifice of Heung Jin Nim. We all gave the performances with the utmost sincerity, devotion, and unstinting efforts.

Universal Ballet Company has led the world of ballet in Korea, and uplifted the level of Korean culture as well as leading the culture of our church.

Through my 40-year life of ballet, I thought that ballet was really similar to faith in many points. When one person was asked a question, "What is ballet?," he answered, "It is beauty." Ballet is an art which expresses the most idealistic beauty through the human body; in this respect people say that ballet is a heavenly language. Ballerinas jump high toward heaven getting out of the realm of gravity. Ballerinas dance on tiptoe stretching their necks as if they were trying to reach God. When we see the motion of ballet, it is more noble, pure, and vertical than other dance forms. We can understand that it is a heavenly dance. Moreover, a ballet performance often describes confrontations between good and evil. There are many ballet works which express the spirit world. *Giselle* presupposes the spirit world. This work expresses love overcoming death, and

it corresponds to the meaning of the Day of Victory of Love.

Ballet Is a Vocation

Another point in which ballet is similar to faith is that both are vocations rather than works to earn a living. No one performs ballet in order to earn money. I think that it is the same for pastors. The proverb "Ballet

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is a vocation" shows "True Parents have have as ballerinas. Religious leaders are called by God. In the world of ballet, they say that the ballet selects a ballerina rather than that a ballerina selects a ballet. In a sense, a ballet stage is similar to a podium of religion. Ballerinas try to impress an audience through the beautiful language of dance invisibly. The True rather than with the spoken word.

Mr. George Paransin, а choreographer, said, "A theater is like a holy temple for me. Therefore, whenever I enter into a theater, I feel as if I entered into a holy temple."

Mr. Oleg Vinogradov who was consecutively an artistic director of the Universal Ballet said, "watching a ballet cleanses the mind. However, it is a problem recently, that there are many performances of ballet which make us feel like takng a shower afterwards."

Not all stages of ballet are set at a high standard. Only the stages which are full of artistic passion offered prayer and and sincere devotion sincere devotion for can impress us. Real high-level art has the power to give us a new vitality and hope and heal our minds with only the power of

ballerina and shed a lot of tears . It was so difficult that I sometimes thought that I should have become a painter.

There is such a proverb in the ballet world: "If I neglect a lesson for a day, only I will know it. If I neglect lessons for 2 days, my teacher will know it. If for 3 days, everyone will know it." My ballet teacher said to me, "Ballerinas have to have lessons just as

hearts our beat without ceasing." If the heart stops, we die. The teacher told me that only when I had lessons without ceasing, Ι could become а great ballerina. After my retirement, I felt, "how easy my body is if I do not do ballet!" From the age of 7, it has been my daily life to have ballet lessons day after day.

Other people saw me and thought, "How hard it is for her," but I took the lessons for granted. I have lived a physically difficult life as a ballerina, and a lonesome life due to the marriage with Heung Jin Nim who is in the spirit world. Whenever Father said to me, "It is difficult for you, isn't it?", I was really healed by his Father words. understood me as if he were also a ballerina. I felt it in his words of comfort filled with sincerity. I express my gratitude to True Parents who have encouraged me to go the way of ballet without giving up halfway.

Our members have My Child I Gave Birth to With Heung Jin Nim - Universal **Ballet Company**

I have never met Heung Jin Nim on earth. In a sense, my life on earth seems like а long engagement period. During the engagement period, I am living as a romanticist thinking

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The following is a summary of Hoon Sook Nim's Testimony June 1st , 2008

got engaged to Heung Jin Nim in 1984 at East Garden together with In Jin Nim's couple, and was blessed at Belvedere. I still vividly remember the day as if it happened yesterday, but 24 years have already passed since I joined True Parents' family. I am now a middle-aged woman, approaching 50 years old.

The position as a wife of the True Family is very important historically and providentially. If I had known it 24 years ago, I could not have come into the True Family thinking of my insufficiency. At the time, the situation was difficult, and I received the blessing just with a heart of obedience to True Parents' will.

I think how insufficient I was when True Parents saw me at the time. However, for 24 years, True Parents have loved and trusted me. I want to express my gratitude to them from the bottom of my heart. Heung Jin Nim has protected me visibly and invisibly. The True Family has been my warm fortress. Our members have offered prayer and sincere devotion for Heung Jin Nim's family. I express my gratitude to all of them.

Faith and Ballet

Summarizing my life, I can express my life with 2 words: faith and ballet. There is a proverb that ballet asks us continuous lessons such as faith. For me, both faith and ballet have been precious things, which cannot be separated from my life. I started to learn ballet at the age of seven with my younger sister when we lived in Washington D. C, USA. It was a small ballet school in a church nearby. It carries a deep meaning for me that I started to learn ballet in a church. Almost all ballerinas are ballerinas by nature. However, I was not. Even though I started to learn ballet in my childhood as a hobby. I never thought that I would continue it in my life. If I had been able to live as I liked, I would have given up the way of ballet. I could not but go the way of ballet as my destiny regardless of my thinking. I became a ballerina because of faith rather than my wish, which is usual for other ballerinas. Therefore, without faith, I could not have continued the way of the ballet to the end.

artistic beauty even though its topic is not religious. A ballet can move everyone transcending religion, nationality, and race.

Therefore, ballet will be able to play an important role in es tablishing world peace. True Parents knowthe value of ballet, and founded the ballet company. Moreover, through Universal Ballet Company, the life, sacrifice, and true love of Heung Jin Nim could be sublimated into an art.

I retired from the stage 6 years ago. Many people of the ballet world envied me because after retirement, I still have the Universal Ballet Company for me. I have lived as a

of them.

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romantically. I expressed my love to Heung Jin Nim through my ballet dance. My partner was always Heung Jin Nim on the stage. Through ballet, I loved Heung Jin Nim from the bottom of my heart.

My only wish is that the Universal Ballet could become a ballet company that has a 250 year or 400 year long history such as the Mariinsky Ballet or the Opera National de Paris.

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Monuments are usually built in order to remember someone eternally. The Universal Ballet is a monument to honor Heung Jin Nim. I wish that it would be managed even after my passing away from the earth in order to remember Heung Jin Nim's true love eternally. The Universal Ballet was made through Heung Jin Nim's sacrifice and my sweat and tears, so, in a sense, it is like our child he and I gave birth to. I actually have Shin Cheol and Shin Wol. Of course, it is impossible to compare it with them, but the Universal Ballet is also like my child for me.

Therefore, I wish that the child grows and develops generation after generation even after my death. After my retirement, I have lived as the director of the Universal Ballet. I am very sorry that I could not take good care of Shin Cheol and Shin Wol as their mother. However, frankly speaking, I was able to continue ballet this far because of these children. Shin Cheol is my first love who protected me as an elder son of Heung Jin Nim, and gave me great pleasure. I express my deep gratitude to Hyun Jin Nim's family who gave me this precious son. Shin Cheol has grown missing * Omma* (mother) very much, but I am thankful that he grew well. I am sure that he will grow as a son whom his grandparents and father can be proud of. Shin Wol is my hope meanwhile Shin Cheol is my first love. I wish Shin Wol would succeed to the monument for *Appa* (father) after her growth.

Wonderfully, Shin Wol likes ballet very much. When we came home after seeing a ballet, she was dancing, imitating the ballet even though I did not teach it to her. She is still 5 years old, but when I play music, she dances following the music. She surprisingly has a talent for music and dancing. Actually, I did not think that I could adopt another child after Shin Cheol, but through Father's advice, Hyo Jin Nim's family gave me this precious daughter. I am very happy to raise Shin Wol. I express my deep gratitude to Hyo Jin Nim and Yeon Ah Nim.

When I raised Shin Cheol, I was very happy. I thought how happy it would have been if I had been able to raise my real child who resembles me. However, surprisingly, Shin Cheol resembles Heung Jin Nim very much, and Shin Wol resembles me very much. Whenever I take Shin Wol with me, people say that she resembles me. I am grateful that God, True Parents, and Hyo Jin Nim's family gave a daughter who resembles me. I also thank Shin Wol.

Our beloved members! Thank you very much for having watched, loved, and prayed for our family and the Universal Ballet. Please continuously love our Family and the Universal Ballet. We will also make an effort to live for the sake of everyone and give back glory and joy to God and True Parents.

Rev. Phillip Schanker's Presentations

For anyone interested, the Education Department of FFWPU-USA is making available Rev. Phillip Schanker's lecture presentations from the "Special Workshop for the New Beginning of Cheon II Guk Blessed Families." These presentations will be available in two formats:

1. The Powerpoint Presentation File, which Rev. Schanker used to lecture, will be available on CD-ROM for \$12.00 This file is separated into three segments:

a. "The Results of the Fall & Separating Blessed Families from Satan"

b. "God's Grace & the New Beginning for CIG Blessed Families

c. "True Parent's Foundation for Cheon Il Guk and Amnesty for its Citizens"

2. A DVD Recording of Rev. Schanker's presentations from the Washington, DC workshop will be available on DVD for \$15.00 This Recording will include the following presentations:

a. "The Results of the Fall & Separating Blessed Families from Satan"

b. "God's Grace & the New Beginning for CIG Blessed Families

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young people who were looking for something, looking to be grafted into the true olive branch, if you will, would connect together with the True Parents so that they can rise up and make America great.

My father, as the True Parents, did not come to America just to be the sole True Parents, and rule over America as if nobody knows what they're doing. His intention was to raise all of us up, so we can be just as wonderful, and just as loving a True Parents as they are, so that we can have all the love, and the beautiful children that we -'we' meaning my siblings and I - would like to aspire to. It's all for you.

So when my father came here and invested his heart and soul, and I told my friends at MTVN-VH1, did you know that my father spent over two billion dollars in the Washington Times alone? Why? To save the world from communism because he had witnessed first hand the atrocities that are committed under that name. I was having lunch the other day with a PR firm and we were talking about communism, socialism, fascism, and he said, "You know, Tatiana, in my understanding of things, communism is just an economic model, and a profound one at that." And I said, well, that's an intellectual way of understanding communism, but the reality of communism is that many, many, lives have been wasted because there is no concept of God; there is no concept of human value; there's no value placed on life. And my father did not want the young Americans to be swayed in thinking that communism was just an economic model.

It was an intellectual proposition, but in reality, it's an atrocity in the making. And my father felt it and he experienced it in all the concentration camps that he sat in. And he said, during all those lonely nights when I was in solitary

confinement, and I was searching for God, and I was trying to understand why I had to go this way, and why I had to suffer, God spoke to him in so many ways. But the most profound way was that he heard a kind of singing, little scratches of sound like a small whistling. It was music to his ears and when he investigated a little bit further, he realized that it was a pair of cockroaches making love. And when he saw that, he said, "There is God. Look how happy those little critters look. I want to be happy like those little cockroaches when I get out!"

It was simple experiences like that that helped him survive and that helped with his own conviction that, "I'm going to live and I'm going to carry out his message." And because he believed so firmly in the fact that he will survive, the allied forces came, the American's came; you guys came! And you saved my father. So, as his daughter, I am indebted to you and indebted to this country because I would not be here otherwise, would I? And on top of that, I have the most wonderful brothers and sisters with me, sitting in this front row: Preston Hyun Jin Moon with his Universal Peace Federation. And my handsome brother Kwon Jin - I have a proclivity towards Kwon Jin because in my eyes he's so handsome. And Yeon Jin and Jeung Jin, such beautiful young women, such talented young women. So in our family, it's interesting how all of us are developing in many, many different ways, but at the heart of everything, we are very creative beings. You know, Hyun Jin Moon, I don't know if you know, but he's quite a rocker at heart. And Kwon Jin is an actor and Yeon Jin will be a famous. famous female director. And Jeung Jin is an incredible writer. She has this dry wit and a way of putting words together that should not be. Kind of like my husband and me, but when it works, it works!

So when I have this family backing me up saying sis, "We can

work together. We can do this. We can bring the people back" – many of you that have been kind of hanging on for dear life, climbing the endless rung each day, wondering, 'Is there going to be a light at the end of the tunnel?' Yes, there will be a light at the end of the tunnel! And all your sacrifice and all your hard work is not wasted because we have the most important thing and that is content. You are the content. You are the best kept secret in the United States, and my job as your chairman is just to make sure it's attractive, and it's packaged well. And vou will look so beautiful, and you will shine like the Chrysler building. I want our movement to be a movement that people are dying to join, dying to be a part of.

My father always said, it only takes one person to change the world. He would say, "Look at me! I'm just an oriental man who had nothing. But I had the belief in God and the belief that I could do it. So I believe that all of us sitting here in the room are the next True Parents of America. And I'm counting on you brothers and sisters to kind of help me walk along this path, because I cannot do it without you, and True Family cannot do it without you. But if we can come together as a community and remember the defining moment, that defining moment that I know all of you had - the first generation - that defining moment that of you had when you joined this movement, if we can kind of revisit that and remember why you joined, and feel it again and think about, "how do I translate that, and how do I give that to my children, or how do I make this movement exciting enough for them to want to be a part of," then I think, we're not that far off. So, brothers and sisters, I don't want to take anymore of your time because I'm the kind of person that likes to do before I talk.

I have a lot of work ahead of me but the most important thing that I would like to do is ask for your input. I would love to be able to have the



opportunity to tour the country, to sit down with each and every one of you and listen to your ideas. Yes I have a vision in my mind, I have an idea of where I want to go but I feel the best way to work together is to communicate. And I want to learn from you as to how I can be a better chairperson for this great, great country of the United States. So if you can share with me on this glorious day, because it is truly your day, not mine, then I think we have a lot of work to do but many exciting things to look forward to and I really feel that we can do it. So can I ask you brothers and sisters, one more time, can we do it? (YES!)

Thank you very much. 🛠

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Blessing?

Since the next Blessing Ceremony is coming up in October, I felt this was an appropriate question to address this month. There's no one best way to prepare, but from my experience, the following three things helped me the most:

A successful confession with my parents

Trust and belief that God and spirit world works through True Parents

The motivation that I am attending the Blessing not just for myself, but for God and His greatest hope for me.

You might have noticed a common theme among these points: having healthy vertical relationships. There's no guarantee that things will work out with the Blessing, but by building healthy vertical relations, no matter what the situation is, you'll be better prepared to see the situation from God's perspective and deal with it accordingly. Also, many Blessing candidates make the mistake of thinking about or worrying too much about whether my partner fulfills my expectations, or even whether I can fulfill my partner's expectations. It's important not to forget that there's another being involved in this relationship, God. Understanding that God has entrusted me to love and be loved by His beloved son or daughter, and making consistent investment, will lead to much better results. If you're wondering whether you're ready or not to go to the Blessing, a good question to ask yourself is "Do I respect each sister (or brother) I know and can I love them from God's perspective?" If not, well, there's some homework to do.

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h o W actually in our position, have been serving and taking care True of Parents all these years. In many wavs. we offer our apologies to you for

having to sacrifice, to go through a very difficult course, to really serve our True Parents and love our True Parents. For that, we as a family are tremendously grateful to all you brothers and sisters. I realize that, yes, we have to take responsibility and honor your work and work together. That is our heart and that is our gratitude to you. So, in many ways, we can have only hope and true love for every single one of you who have had true love for our True Parents. For the lives you've lived to love True Parents, we can only honor and love you back in that same way and offer our apologies for not living up to that standard, too.

As a family, we gathered for lunch together. It's very difficult to get everybody at once (at the same time), but we were able to gather and share. Really, at the table, for the first time, too, we are experiencing (it): Every single brother and sister -there's elder, there's younger --all supporting each other, all supporting each other's work and no one taking any credit for themselves. It's all about True Parents.

We really decided on that day that our lives are not our lives. We have to live for the sake of True Parents. We have to live for the sake of the church. We have to carry on Father's message and lineage and legacy. We have to protect True Parents. We have to create a place where we can serve and honor (True Parents) and continue the word of our True Parents and the work of our True Parents and protect them because we know that they will not stop working. They will not stop working. They will put their lives, no matter what condition they're in, to save the world. All these years, they've been doing it themselves. All these years, with your help and sacrifice, they have been doing it.

We realize it is our mission

for your help, all of your help, to share your wisdom and your support for our True Parents and the (True) Family and all the work that they're doing now in order to be able to create Father's mission on earth and realize that dream.

When we're thinking of this accident, we can't even say how much (we can't even say enough) apologies to True Parents that they've suffered this kind of accident. They've been risking their lives. Everybody thought True Parents were going to retire. Father is elderly. Everybody said, "Oh, we're going to build a place where True Parents can retire and rest," but actually Father hasn't spent one day resting. All the time that he's here, he's been flying all over the world. Even when he's here, he has to meet with leaders. He cannot stop working for God's mission, even at his age. To drive to Chung Pyung as you all come on buses, you know it's a very long, long way from Seoul where the airport and everything is. Parents every day have to go in (to Seoul) because the world headquarters and all the leaders are in Seoul. Everything -- the politics, the culture -- everything that they're trying to change for God's work is in Seoul, so they have to go there all the time. You know the significance of our True Parents on earth.

We realize that Father will not stop, Mother will not stop, loving and living for the sake of others. We realize that we need to build a place, a safe haven, a sanctuary not only here, which is built on Halmoni's (Grandmother's = Dae Mo Nim's) and everybody's tremendous sacrifice, but also in Seoul. We need a center that can move the world and move Father's mission forward. All the government offices are there; all the culture, art, and media -- everything is in Seoul. (We need a center) to organize and mobilize there with all the membership, training centers and everything, to have one church to stand to attend True Parents, that we can offer True Parents, where they can be protected and also live and work for their mission, because, if you think about it. Seoul is a major city. It's a center of everything that's happening in Korea. Father always stresses that Korea is the center

to unify the world. It is Father's homeland.

But many times we forget that Father is not South Korean: he is North Korean. Because of this division between North and South, Father can't reach his homeland. Father has fought communism and, as you all know, North Korea is still communist а country. This mission that Father has lived for and also the missions of all the unification, what

our movement stands for -- with blessed families, with living for the sake of others, the outreach programs -- all are happening in Seoul, all the members come to Seoul to do that and are working hard there. We realize the urgency for that need, in the center of Seoul, to be able to move Father's mission, to move it in the direction where it can actually be realized, (by us) all together, with our hearts Many times recently the united. mission has been happening in many places far from the center, and we realize the need to mobilize there (in the center) and - in many ways - make Korea recognize Father's presence, to solidify Father's presence, and make world understand Father's the presence and to work for that and God's mission in Seoul.

Just recently before this accident, the hope was that we can build that church, that main church in Seoul. At one meeting in Insoo, there was an initial donation for this church given by some members in leadership, and Mother said, "Well, we're going to offer more than that," and Father said, "I'm going to offer more than that to do that."

It was a moment where, as we were all sharing this, we didn't understand the significance of this at that time. But discussing it as a family and realizing the danger and the urgency of not having a place for Parents, it came to our hearts that, yes, we have to work to do this, we have to work to build this. That is what we realized. To go forward with the work, we have to be involved. We have to commit. We have to give and we have to live for the sake of Father's initial mission. We have to unify and strengthen Korea's position as the most important (position), (in order) to change the world, to unify the world and to make this happen.

We have to unite North and South Korea. We have to create a homeland. We have to create Father's homeland and reunite it. That is our feeling and our mission that we felt that day all together. And we came together as a family and pledged to each other that ... for so many years, we have in a way been lost in the wilderness, like many of the membership who've been lost in the



wilderness, and suffered the path of indemnity, and True Parents have suffered this major indemnity and all their life has been a testament to indemnity -- (we pledged to each other) that we need to take on this mission all together and with the leadership and with the church, and to really, really be able to care for the church.

Hyung Jin's heart was not only to take care of and mobilize going forward, but to really create a safe haven for the members, not only (for) our True Parents, to serve and attend True Parents, but a place where all the members can come easily and train and learn, where we can really take care of our brothers and sisters all around the world, and where we can have them come together as one unified church.

That was our heart, and that's what I wanted to share with you this morning. All I can say is, I have so much gratitude for all of you, and for our beloved True Parents, and all my brothers and sisters, and I am most thankful to God, and to my brothers who are passed and who saved True Parents and saved all of us and made us realize what we haven't been doing, and with all that we apologize to you and we pledge to you to do our best and to live this life of True Life, True Love, and True Lineage.

Father, the other day, was holding his hand like this (showing) and saying that coming together is the important thing. "All the things come together like this, too. Don't only praise God but praise and take care of each other. You cannot separate; you become stronger when you are like this (united). Alone is not one."

I want to ask you in closing after Yeon Ah translates if we can all gather hands together with brothers and sisters all together, and Hyung Jin can offer a prayer, and we can really pledge to unite and we can really pledge to live our lives so that True Parents no longer have to suffer, so that we can really carry on their mission and make it honored. That's what I ask of you, to please understand that and, really, we offer to you our apologies and our gratitude. *Kamsahamnida.*





our mission, and our hearts to really start building this for True Parents and protecting and creating the future for the church and all of you and your second generation. We owe that to you because many of the first generation also, like our True Parents, left your children. So we share the same heart in many ways. And so we as a family, as brothers and sisters... in so many ways our True Parents brought us as one, as one family. There's no brother or sister who's not my brother or sister here. All of you leaders are my brothers, my Oppas and Onnis, everybody here. We share that. With that heart we really understood. Going forward, we ask

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Ephesians 4:11-12. "And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of the faith and the knowledge of the Son of God."

I Peter 3:15. "But sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts, always being ready to make a defense to everyone who asks you to give an account for the hope that is in you, yet with gentleness and reverence."

"The Fundamental Duties of Cheon Il Guk' Rev. Sun Myung Moon, June 13, 2006 (printed in Unification News September 2006 issue). "Citizens of Cheon Il Guk, the unification of spirit world has been completed. The issue now is the 6.5 billion people living on earth in the physical body. They struggle in agony in the midst of sin and suffering, yet they are your brothers and sisters. Your third mission is to educate them and bring them home as people of Cheon Il Guk."

> hen True Mother came to Phoenix in 1988 our son Nedd was 2 years old. We called his babysitter 'Aunt June'.

Aunt June came to the program to see True Mother. After the program, of course, True Mother invited us to come up to her room for the victory celebration. I arranged for another guest to give Aunt June a ride home, since I had brought her with me to the event. I never spoke to Aunt June again. She didn't call me, and I didn't call her. Obviously, that is not the way to be successful in witnessing!.

This approach certainly left something to be desired. Like Aunt June, so many people have been invited, have come to events, have come to see True Parents, have even joined and been blessed. But they aren't here now. Where are they? My intention here is to help you clarify in your mind some of the great benefits of this movement so that you can express them in a very simple, heartfelt way. This in turn will help us unite with Dr. In Jin Nim Moon, the newly installed North American Chairperson for FFWPU, in working together to change the attitude of America toward our True Parents and our movement.

We are hearing a lot about witnessing these days: witnessing summit, witnessing task force, how to lecture to young people. What is witnessing, actually? What does it really mean? I confess I have sometimes felt a little confused when people mentioned anything about 'witnessing' because the term is not very specific. It seemed too vague. The word has too many meanings! So I decided to do a study on the concept of witnessing to find out what it is.

I started with the words in the Bible quotes above and came up with about 30 different related words and concepts which I organized into seven separate categories.

- * Membership
- * Religious Conversion
- * Education
- * Service
- * Promulgating
- * Lineage
- Testifying

Are we just talking about membership? What is a member? The local YMCA has a membership drive once or twice a year—is that what we are about? Then there is recruiting, like the army or other military branches. Are we recruiting? We definitely want people to join our movement, become part of our congregation. And we need more workers for the Peace Kingdom Corps and Peace Kingdom Police Force! But we really expect membership to be an external result of an internal event, a conversion experience.

Religious conversion

This relates to a heartistic, internal change and is the goal of the apostles, prophets and evangelists mentioned by St. Paul as well as missionaries, pastors and preachers. The dictionary defines conversion as "A spiritual and moral change attending a change of belief with conviction; specifically, the experience associated with and involving a definite and decisive adoption of religion." It implies an impact on both beliefs and lifestyle through encountering a religious message.

Service

In the letter to the Ephesians, St. Paul mentions the 'work of service' as part of the work of the body of Christ. Another writer, John Bradshaw, said, "Service means caring for others and giving back what you have received." Serving others is an integral part of reaching any of these goals, because people's hearts are touched by service, and people's hearts have to be moved for them to have a conversion and make a shift in their lives.

Promulgate

Carry a message. Multiply, expand, spread the word, disseminate, make well known. This certainly describes what we want to do. Dr. In Jin Nim Moon is an expert at marketing and branding and has announced her intention to use her skills to promulgate a good feeling in America about our True Parents and our movement. The very Sunday that we viewed the video of her installation in her new position, our local newspaper ran an article about branding. The article stated that marketing is 'mostly about...amplifying a message'; just getting the word out about a product to the marketplace. Marketing is not the same as branding. Branding deals with your identity and your essence as a company.

Branding deals directly with the emotions. The article reported on studies that found that emotion activates the brain hundreds of times faster than thought, and consumers are willing to pay much more when their decision is based on emotion rather than only on logical thought processes. (Reported in the Arizona Republic, August 17, 2008, in an article about OBD: Obsessive Branding Disorder by Lucas Conley.) We have to touch people's emotions and we have to find the way to convey the essence of our faith, in order to share it well.

Lineage

True Father, in the quote above, links educating people and 'bringing them home to Cheon II Guk'. What is the reason we want to witness, the reason for people to join, the reason to serve people so they can receive a message? So that they can inherit a legacy, become heirs to the Kingdom, and come home to Cheon II Guk and be a part of God's eternal family. That is the ultimate goal of it all.

good about our movement that you might share with your colleagues, neighbors and contacts. Here are some questions to guide your thoughts.

• What are you proud of about our movement, about True Parents, the True Family?

- ♦ What do you value?
- What do you want other people to know about our movement?

• What do you think is the most important or most valuable thing about our movement?

• What do you want your children to tell their friends about what you believe?

• How does our movement help others?

• What are the benefits of associating with our movement?

• What do you, as a member of this movement, have that other people don't have?

• Why are you still here? If you could pass on one thing to your children and grandchildren,

what would it be?

When these questions were presented to the church community in Arizona, here are some of the answers they came up with:

♦ I am proud of True Parents because they are a unique example of integrity, selflessness, sacrifice, and goodness.

• My parents stuck it out and stayed together in the face of adversity (from a Second Gen member).

- Universal and inclusive
- Brings diverse people together.
- Microcosm of the whole world.
- Hope of universal salvation
- Community

• Divine Principle clearly shows the purpose of life, true love, etc.

• Interconnected families with similar moral and lifestyle standards allow our children to be welcomed and embraced anywhere in the world, in safety.

• Proud of our members—they have overcome challenges to live a life of love.

• The concept of God and human beings in parent/child relationship gives hope to all. This makes everyone a child of God.

♦ I know this is the truth. Enables understanding of world history and current events (from a Second Gen member).

What's wrong with this picture?

Why are you still here when everyone else is gone? Because you love True Parents, you love the concept of Cheon Il Guk, you want to see this movement grow. You feel called and ordained by God to be here. Me, too. I'm still here after 33 years. After 2, 7, 21, and 40 day workshops at Barrytown, I went directly to fundraising, which I continued for 7 years on National MFT. I have definitely done more fundraising than witnessing. I don't feel that comfortable about witnessing. But I want to challenge my limitations, expand my heart, and find my voice. Let's learn together.

Education

After the conversion, education is required. Education requires teachers. The pastor may teach and instruct, but education implies a classroom rather than a worship service. True Father clearly tells us to educate the entire world. Does witnessing mean educate? So how do we get there? Testify. When you 'witness' you are telling about something you yourself observed, your own firsthand experience. When we witness, we are testifying about our own experience, our own feelings, our own lives. We naturally share what is in our own heart. And that is why I think in our movement we use the word 'witness' to cover all these many nuances of sharing our faith with others.

At this time I would like to ask you to reflect on what makes you feel

• When you share True Father's words, people just know it's the truth!

I have heard it said that we have to start with the vertical and then move to the horizontal in sharing our faith. You could say, "Rev. Moon is a good man, and I think this because he gives us hope of universal salvation." Or you could say, "I belong to a really great group, and it's great to be a member because I can send my children anywhere in the world and know that there will be another family there that will welcome them and take care of them." You get the idea.

This is obviously just a drop

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feel good about our movement, too. You don't have to convert them on the spot, or tell them the conclusion of the Divine Principle the first time you see them. Just share something about yourself and our movement that makes you feel good! That will help to change the public attitude toward our True Parents. Continue to think about your testimony. Share your good stories with brothers and sisters within our community! Go out and make some new friends and tell them about yourself and what is important to you. That is witnessing! That is how we can share our faith every day. \diamondsuit

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