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These are brief excerpts from the opening plenary address given on April 10, 1990, to the Eleventh World Media Conference in Moscow, which included an overview of the Principle: God's original ideal, man's separation from God, the historical struggle of good and evil, the role of the conscience and religion, and the restoration of God's ideal. The full text was a version of a speech with the same title given to the Korean people during Father's five-city tour in America, which was printed in the May Today's World issue.

It is a great honor and pleasure to convene with you this historic Eleventh World Media Conference in the city of Moscow, the capital of the Soviet Union. The theme of this conference is "The Advancement of Global Communication and Cooperation," and I feel there is no place more appropriate to gather for these discussions than right here in the Soviet Union.

Furthermore, it is an added pleasure for me to open these proceedings because we are simultaneously conducting the Third Conference of the Summit Council for World Peace, and a gathering of the Association for the Unity of Latin America. Both of these excellent organizations are also committed to the quest for world peace.

For me to come to Moscow is an emotional experience. I would like to express my appreciation to the Soviet government, especially the officials of *Novosti Press Agency*. You have welcomed us to your great capital in a most hospitable manner. My wife and I, and our entire family, are moved by your kindness. I am sure that all of the guests in this room who have come from every corner of the world, including former heads of state and government, will join with me in expressing our deep gratitude to our hosts in this country. Would you join with me in giving them a round of applause?

I was recently asked by members of the Soviet media regarding my views on the importance of a spiritual renaissance as a precondition to social, economic and political progress. I would like to take this opportunity to elaborate on some of those views. I believe that such a spiritual renaissance is vitally important. To achieve it, a deeper understanding of the human situation is necessary. This calls for some reflection on philosophical and religious topics. It may not directly concern either communications or media, but for me it is the fundamental understanding necessary to secure true peace in our world. Furthermore, it is the essence of my life-long search, discovery and teaching.

True love always travels the shortest distance with the fastest speed. Therefore, true love coming from God to the earth travels the shortest distance—a vertical line. The love between man and woman also travels the shortest distance, forming a horizontal line. When the vertical true love meets with the horizontal

true love, the crossing point must absolutely be 90 degrees. There is no other way these love lines can intersect.

Who is God? God is the vertical True Parents centered on true love. He is intimately close to each of us because He is our vertical parents. When we welcome the perfected human ancestors—perfected Adam and Eve—as True Parents, we create a 90-degree crossing point between the vertical true love of God and the horizontal true love of True Parents. We have two sets of True Parents. From them we receive true love, true life and true blood lineage. This creates one world totally resonating with true love.

Ladies and gentlemen, I am very grateful to have the opportunity to share with you these reflections on the nature of God and humanity. I am also very happy to be here in the Soviet Union. My heart truly goes out to the people of the Soviet Union. Many of you have gone through unbearable suffering, and that saddens me. I love your country and your people very much. I clearly envision a moral and economic renaissance for the Soviet Union that will dramatically affect the entire world. I will do all I can to encourage and support that renaissance.

You are undertaking a new Soviet revolution, but this should be a revolution of the heart and soul.

I have been speaking about the importance of the family. But I want to tell you that in the depths of my heart, I feel that the Soviet people are a part of my family. I assure you that my wife and children feel the same. Also, I assure you that members of the Unification movement worldwide will do their utmost to work together with you for the future prosperity and well-being of all humanity.

I believe the Soviet Union will play a key role in God's plan to build a world of lasting true peace. This vast union of nations, which stretches from the Far East, with its border on my country of Korea, to the very heart of Europe—birthplace of Western Civilization—has a natural destiny to be a bridge between Europe and Asia. We must regard ourselves as being all members of one global family living in one global house.

May God bless the Soviet Union and all its people for coming and participating in this historic conference.

Thank you very much. □

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I actually started the world level dispensation at the age of 40. I was married at the age most of you are now—40. Thus the age of 40 is very significant.

All birds and animals are sustained by the creation. Human beings, especially the blessed couples and their children, should be able to get along like all the rest of creation. Those children of parents who lived during the dispensation will never starve or be abandoned. This has been described so vividly in Matthew 6:25-34, in which Jesus explains how the birds and animals are fed and clad by God. He asks his disciples why they worry about what they will eat the next day or what they are going to wear. Those problems were for the "Gentiles or the ungodly" to worry about. Those who live in God's Will do not worry but pursue the world of justice. Verse 33 explains: "But seek first the Kingdom and His righteousness, and those things shall be yours as well." That Kingdom is not just anywhere, but Jesus was literally talking about God's country or nation.

God's most important objective is His nation. God always had a country in mind, selecting the people for that goal and educating them through the prophets. After the Fall, Satan had sovereignty over many nations but God never had His own country.

Even though God had chosen a family and a tribe, His chosen people didn't realize that He could never take a nation. Instead the ideal nation had to be created by the chosen people. God chose the people and the land but could never bless it as His own. Unification Church members are the third Israelites.

But just having third Israelites is not the end God is seeking; through them, God is trying to establish His own country.

GOD'S HISTORICAL GOAL

The Unification Church does not exist so that blessed couples may prosper and have a lot of children. That is not the end God is pursuing. The only thing God has in mind is a nation. God has selected many chosen people, families, clans and races, but selection was not the purpose in and of itself. God selected them for the sake of God's nation. We have so many Christian denominations and churches yet God cannot say, "This is my church."

God selected America and Protestantism has been prospering. But even this country has not turned out to be the country about which God can say, "This is my country." We must keep in mind that God selected America, blessed and nurtured it, not for America's own sake, but for the sake of the world. Through America, we can educate and lead the world back to God.

Whatever we may have acquired so far, God would give it up as the price to gain His nation. If God can win His country, then He is ready to exchange or sacrifice anything for it. That's His feeling. Once we have that nation and can raise our families there, we will prosper forever.

Many nationalities are represented here: from America, as well as from all over Europe and the Orient. But what is our purpose in uniting like this? Every individual here desires to make their country God's country or to find God's country, and to follow True Parents. We discovered that God is our

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Parent. To do the Will of our Father and live with Him is our purpose in being here. We must establish the country where we can live with God, our Parent.

If you were God or God's person, which course would you take? Would you let the individual prosper, never sacrificing the individual's needs, or would you sacrifice him in exchange for gaining a country? If you were God's person which would you do? (The second course of sacrifice.)

There are many different levels of sacrifice. There is the sacrifice of working hard or the sacrifice of giving up our life. Which level of sacrifice are we willing to offer? If we choose to sacrifice ourselves, could we sacrifice our entire family as well?

If one family were to sacrifice perfectly, could we gain our country? Not likely. What about the whole clan? Even that might not be enough. So we have to invest everything that we have—family, clan, race and your whole county—to win the nation of God.

WHAT IS GOD'S WILL?

Each one of us feel, "Yes, I am living for the sake of God's Will." But the definition of God's Will varies from one person to the next. My concept is also different. What I am now saying is there can be only one concept of God's Will. For example, America is comprised of many different segments. One person's concept of patriotism and love of God is different from that of the next person. And what scholars or businessmen think may also be different. Each different level of society has its own concept of God's Will.

If God's ideal is so important, then isn't God's goal also important? Shouldn't we invest everything we've got into it? Is God's Will a full-time or part-time vocation? What about God Himself? What is God's full-time work? To accomplish His Will, which is to restore His country. If I took care of my family and myself the way everyone else does, do you think the Unification Church could have been led to this point? Could God have done His Will to this extent? No! Everyone knows that I geared everything to God's Will, not thinking about my life or anything else, except that.

If you are a state leader, should you say, "Yes, I am doing my job as a state leader; I have fulfilled my responsibility"? No! To perfectly fulfill the state leader's position means your ideas should always concern God's country: "I am doing the best work I can with the world-level goal always in mind." Barrytown Seminary students are studying very hard, but should they think, "Oh I have done my responsibility"? No, for the purpose of studying and teaching is to recover God's country and save the world!

There are many problems encountered while reaching for that purpose. How can such difficulties be solved? You must have a fighting spirit, for without that kind of mind, you cannot become victorious. This is not a theoretical way, this is the way I have gone.

America cannot be thrust into that goal of recovering the

world until you accomplish the first stage. What is the first stage? We have to be able to influence America in order for us to save America. We need the level of influence in America such that what we do causes America to listen. Or, if we do something wrong, America will criticize us. So the first thing we have to do is to influence America; then we will be able to thrust this country forward to gain God's nation.

Our main purpose and course is clear. With that in mind, compare what we have now with that ideal. What level of influence do you have? This whole country may laugh at our results, which means that God may not be taken seriously. You must always connect everything you do with God's nation, no matter how hard you may have to work in the future. This concept must be clear. In view of that standard, our past standard has been somewhat shameful. We should repent for having such a low concept of God's Will. If the different levels of leadership and membership in the Unification Church were saturated with the feeling, "I must recover God's country," I would not have to do it single-handedly.

WRESTLE WITH AMERICA

What I have been doing in America and the world is not just to educate you and help you to grow. You are not the final objective. No! I worked hard in Japan, Europe and America not for the sake of these nations only; I have had the world always in my mind. My purpose for gaining success here in America is to use that success for the world. Do you think my idea about God's Will is the correct one?

So have you ever tried to wrestle with America to save it or cried for the sake of America? Look at me. Has America ever welcomed me? No, they always opposed me as an enemy. But I had to love America even though my "enemy" did not know I was its real friend. I gave all of my time and effort to love an enemy. Have you done the same for this country? Have American members ever pushed America so that I could go easier a little bit? No! You have been clinging to me, who am already old, asking me for more. Which should you say: "Father please continue to help us" or "Father, now that we have grown up, we will help you"? Unless you totally change and help me, America has no hope because no one else is saving this country. The year of 1990 is very important, so I am now clearly proclaiming this fact.

Have I lived the way I have just explained? Yes, I did. When my own parents and family went against me, I only had God's country in my mind. I was working and thinking like crazy. Everyone else called me crazy because I didn't think about anything else. Because I was thinking like God, God helped. No one else understood how anxious God has been and still is. You never realized how difficult my situation is. Do we have God's country yet? No.

During the next 10 years, we have to resolve everything on the earth to a principled viewpoint. After this next decade, we will welcome the new century. What kind of concept do you have? God wants a unified world, His one nation. Who

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will fulfill this promise for Him? God cannot help you until you have set the precedent of working hard. There is no hope unless you think about indemnity conditions. Making difficult indemnity conditions is a hard way. Compare that with God Himself. He had to create all life—creatures and their environments. Down the 6,000-year path, God never had His ideal nation. God's project of one nation will be accomplished when all people of all nations have absolutely the same desire as True Parents—one nation under God! God is thinking there is nothing we can be proud of as Unification Church members because we don't have a country.

USE MY FOUNDATION WISELY

I have a sense of spiritual sovereignty in America. Do you have such a sense of sovereignty? If you did, then you would talk to the governor and then go together to meet the President. Have you done that?

Unless you wisely use the foundation I have made, God will hold a different opinion of America and its people, meaning you. I will also see American members quite differently than I see them now.

You are adults. Imagine a court judge clad in robes, saying very grave words. Even in the fallen world, the law is that strict. Do you think God's law could be less strict? We can only imagine that God's law is 100 times more strict. When I speak like this, could it be less important than when a judge speaks? In the past, I have predicted many things that came into being within a few years.

The day of our one chance to save the world is coming for the sake of the world itself and everyone in it—not just for

America, nor the Unification Church, not even for me. When the world is recovered, then America becomes meaningful and the Unification Church becomes important. True Parents also become important and meaningful at that time. But before that, only a few people at best will take this seriously.

When you joined the Unification Church, you didn't understand that you were getting purified. But now you realize clearly you have been welcomed into the most precious place. You may think, "Oh, this is our time, I'm meeting top American leaders." But you cannot be proud. To solve America's current situation greatly depends on the quality of the church leaders. You have to really change your way of thinking. Otherwise, there is no hope to make God's country here.

So for the next three years, we have to really get to it. Those who have never been pioneering should go and pioneer for the next three years. Those who have never done fundraising, no matter how many children you may have, will go. In the next three years, we have to seriously work. In pioneering, our central figure is God and we will go straight forward with Him. You have gone through the 40-year period, whose significance has been the formation of the world foundation. Jericho is waiting to fall down in front of us.

THE FAILURE OF THE ISRAELITES

Imagine the Israelites after 40 years in the wilderness. They were so ragged with nothing to eat and nothing to wear. They looked like beggars. When they finally made it to Canaan, they felt, "Prosperity is upon us." However, once they were in Canaan, there was a bigger task: to digest the tribes in Canaan. They did not know that unless they accomplished

that, their coming into Canaan would mean nothing. Compared to the Israelites, the Canaanites were rich men possessing many sheep, cattle and beautiful houses. So the Israelites looked like miserable beggar children. The Israelites envied the Canaanites and lost their identity as the chosen people. By the second generation, the Israelites had completely lost their culture and their nation. You have to understand the significance of this clearly. I know you are in the same situation and face the same temptations. Like the Israelites, you are also the second generation or Abel generation of Unification Church members. The Israelites also faced high levels of wealthy people in the political and scholarly world. But remember, no matter how much power those people have, it cannot compare with our past 40 years. We



Church leaders from all over the United States gather at East Garden.

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have come to the end of "wandering in the wilderness" and are making a new family, new tribe and new nation from now.

In the next 10 years we have to think more toward the future. We are intended to be soldiers of the original world. What kind of soldiers? We don't have money, power, nor foundation—only debt. Our only permanent possession is our life. Those who want to die will live; those who want to live will die. This is what the Bible clearly said and it's so true. Why haven't you practiced this in your position as leaders? We have to learn to go down, otherwise there is no hope to save this country.

Look at the vivid history of the Israelites. Only 2,000 years ago, if the Israelites had really fought for their lives in the following 10 years after entering Canaan, centering on Moses and becoming really unified in attaining God's Will, they would have occupied all of Canaan and the Middle East. If they had, the world would be quite different than what we see. But they didn't do that.

So after their failure, other powerful religions tried to restore that situation. But only when Father and the Unification Church appeared, did the people see some hope: "Oh yes, Re-

was just for them, not even for another foreign country. They did not help God create His world, which was their mission. Similarly, established Christianity does not know God's ultimate purpose. They think saving Christianity was God's purpose. But God's Will lives in God's nation. It is living proof of God's incredible love for this goal that He sacrificed the first Israelites and the second Israelites, only to raise up the third Israelites. We are in that kind of serious and important position to God.

God is thrusting the Unification Church into the world to recover His country. We should be ready to say, "God, I will gladly sacrifice myself if You can recover Your country."

My role is to teach you and you are to do it. My special mission is to eliminate Satan. With that accomplished, it is now up to you to recover God's country.

PREPARING FOR THE FUTURE WORLD

There is no persecution ahead of the Unification Church, unlike 10, or even 5 years ago. Satan is no longer there. Even if we don't do our mission, God's Will will eventually be done, but the important question is, where will we be?

I have a certain idea of what it means to be a blessed couple, and you have your own concept. The purpose of the Blessing is not just for your own selfish happiness, but to recover God's world and rejoice forever *together* with God and all our brothers and sisters.

I am now seventy, but am still only sleeping two hours a day and educating you. I am unifying the languages of the world. Blessed children from around the world are coming to Korea to study the Korean language while they are still young. I brought American ministers to Korea and Korean ministers to America to exchange environments and views. I have been doing many things to prepare for the future.

The world is invisibly becoming one. Each year there are fewer wars between nations. Look at how international we in the Unification Church have become. I have been reaching out to Russia, China and all the communist countries to make one world without any segregation. America persecuted me so much, but I sent American journalists on fact-finding tours to Russia and China so they could wake up to the reality of communism and warn America. It was predicted that liberals and communists would take over America by the year 1984, but *The Washington Times* has turned that situation around.

At the Washington Monument Rally in 1976, I proclaimed, "We will go to Moscow." I worked so hard for 12 years to make this happen. It didn't happen automatically. We worked to contact Russian scholars, communicated with Russia through artistic channels, and even co-sponsored a religious conference in Moscow with the Russian Orthodox Church. I worked hard in the Russian media realm. These areas would



verend Moon can do that." My dispensational position is to have my brothers treat me as their enemy. Judaism, the elder brother, and established Christianity as the younger brother, are fighting against me, not knowing that my goal is the same one they are trying to reach.

The really unfortunate thing is, the Israelites had no idea about God's desire for one world nation. They thought God

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never have developed by themselves.

Now, Russia realizes that Rev. Moon, the archenemy of communism, is getting close to every aspect of Russian life. They can't get rid of these areas of life, so they are thinking, "How can we unite with Rev. Moon?"

The Soviet Union is in a very serious situation now. They are turning to a free-market solution for their economic ills. The Soviet Union knows that America, with all her economic power, cannot save the Soviets because she is so corrupt. Now, they are looking toward South Korea as a model for them to follow. South Korea has developed incredibly in thirty years.

I must seem like such a mysterious man to the Soviets. They see our shiny, clean cut, pure Unification Church members, and wonder what I teach. They are studying me, trying to get closer to me. Russian media people visited me in Korea last year, and wondered, "How could Korea develop so much in such a short time?" They want that kind of short-term economic development in Russia, too. They made a one-hour documentary of their visit to Korea and their interview with me, which was broadcast on nation-wide television. Many positive articles have come out in the Soviet media.

American secular humanism and Soviet communism are now defeated, making room for Godism to save the world. All of our education at the seminary is to use for the purpose of saving the world. The purpose of the Unification Church is to make one world nation.

I received persecution my whole life, giving everything for that same purpose: the coming of God's one nation. I am the number one patriot in the spiritual world, because of all the people in history, I lead the world in taking responsibility for God's nation.

GOD'S IDEAL STRENGTHENED ME

I want to create a new kind of sovereignty, so all the existing sovereignties of the world are persecuting me. My whole life has been a bloody battle to lay the foundation for God's country.

I have taught you to have a clear understanding of God's Will. Actually, you have a clearer understanding than I did 40 years ago. I had faith when nothing was visible and war was all around me. You see your present difficulties and lose faith. No matter how difficult my circumstances were, I always thought, "Oh, our time is coming." Our future was shining so clearly in front of me—I could not deny it. The reality of the world was like a shadow around me, because my eyes were set on the vision of our future happiness. I could endure a lot of pain for the sake of this vision. I was proud of working for that and America could not shake my determination for that goal. You must understand this point: Our future lies in the viewpoint of God. No matter how powerful America's situation is, it cannot compare with God's power and might.

Many times you have offered me mansei cheers, but

couldn't follow through on your promises. From now on your mission is to testify to the true messiahship. I testify everywhere. Promise me no matter how strong the power opposing you, you will testify that you have the highest truth. When God looks down at such determination, His energy will come and surround you.

So please remember my secret. When my own family and relatives opposed me after the liberation of Korea from Japan, I steadfastly went forward for God's country. That was the only thing in my mind. I didn't care for my own glory, but went down and down from the position that God originally promised me. Satan came down too, but at a certain point he stopped, not wanting to go below. That is where I started and began to come up again. I still have this thinking.

If Korea had united with me, then I would never have had to come to America. But if America had received me, then I probably would not have had to go to Russia. So the course I am now taking is only the second and third best. Even if Russia does not welcome me, it doesn't matter, because I am ready to go down even lower. At that point Satan will see it is useless to continue.

This is the way God has been treating me, too. Every time God made me suffer, He had a bigger goal in mind. I understood that after awhile. When I press American members to work harder, I know there is a prize coming to us. Just like my own course, your course will be guaranteed in that way.

This is that crucial time when you all have to unite with me and really march forward to the final culmination of one world sovereignty. I am giving one of the last big pushes.

America is a big country. It is waiting to see what kind of seed will be sown. Each part of the American land is waiting for you to go there and plant your seed in it. When that is sown and starts growing, then America won't need me so crucially as before. So I am proclaiming that we spread out and sow ourselves into this land.

THE FOUNDATION IS PREPARED

The population of North and South America together is about 700 million. In China, it is more than one billion. In God's idea of salvation, which population would He prefer? In North and South America the population is mostly white and Hispanic. They say, "Nobody teaches us; we will teach you." But in China, people are welcoming me as a famous teacher. China is asking me to come visit, as compared with America's complaints about me being here. It will be no problem to lead the Chinese people. I came to America because this was the most hopeful way for God's Will to be accomplished. But there is too much pride here.

Now, our movement has a high-level mechanical foundation in West Germany, a cultural foundation in France, and a financial and electronic foundation in Japan. This is all for our work in China and Russia. Who is willing to follow me there? What about Americans? It would be good if I could bring hundreds of Americans with me, but if not I will have

to go alone. There are some good points to working in China, but many drawbacks as well. Communist countries may be more difficult to work in than the more open Western countries. But I still have to go. We have had underground churches in communist countries for many years. I am so moved by their sacrifice.

I have been provided with foundations prepared ahead of me by God. I was shocked and grateful to find out later. In the same way that I have been helped by God, I am making a foundation ahead of you without your knowledge. Future generations should be able to look back and say, "My parents sacrificed so much and yet were still grateful."

American women have to change their attitudes and work even harder for the goal of recovering their country. No matter what their role historically has been, presently they are hurting this country. So I am turning to you American women and asking you to suffer more and work harder. All men are included in this as well. This is for your country of America and for your offspring. You are capable people who must align with God's goal. Who is the major cause for repeating marriage and divorce? Unification Church women have a standard to uphold and demonstrate to the rest of America. If you have no make-up but work hard for God's Will, God will do the make-up for you.

I heard recently that a government agent was sent to Danbury to ask what it was like when I was there. He was told that it was very peaceful during that time, but one week after I left, fighting broke out all over. What about you? Are you influenced by me? How much of my value did you inherit? That is your asset in life. I exerted influence all over the world. Who is influenced more by me, non-members or you? Do you know how much the Korean retired military men or professors are moved in a 10-day tour of our church in America? They are ready to change their life and start in a new direction after only 10 days. What about you? I give you a message from the bottom of my heart, but you have become accustomed to this. If I had invested as much in the Korean people as in you, Korea would be much more advanced. So, I have said everything I need to you.

TAKE SPIRITUAL DOMINION

There is always a reason for what I do. Do you know the church leader in England? He is Japanese. Japan inherited the Eve position from England, therefore Japan is now sacrificing for England so that it will not lose its position in the mission. A Korean leader is in Germany to work with the machine-factory development, to thank Germany because Korea in-



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herited its technology. I have decided to open up a factory in China to help them develop. The archangel country of the West should help the archangel country of the East.

Now we are working with media people from Russia. We don't want to hurt the communists. The reason we oppose them is to save them. The KGB wanted to eradicate me, but did I hate them? No, I felt they must hate me before they could turn around. I know the course they are going. I showed the Russian media people that I was not their enemy. When they were able to trust me, I asked them to bring a message to Kim Il Sung: I speak against him only because of the dispensation.

The times have changed. The Berlin Wall has come down and all the satellite countries have turned toward democracy. Communism is on the verge of crumbling.

So please take spiritual dominion in your states. You can proclaim spiritually to the government leaders, "I am the elder brother and you are the younger brother." Teach them what you have learned.

We are building up a media center, including a television studio and a wire service. Why? Because I want to be rich? No—to educate Americans in God's Truth. And who will be the future managers there? You. We created a new department at the *Segye Ilbo* in Korea which researches all affairs that have to do with the Unification Church throughout Korea. Now we can more know quickly about all situations affecting God's Will and deal effectively with them.

So far, we have been persecuted in many countries and I have never fought back. Within a certain time, natural forces will spring up to stop those people because their actions are against the public benefit of their country. This is automatic,

*This is the transition time from evil to good.
So please use this the same way that I used Danbury,
which was my transition time to a larger level.*

not by force. Opposition never continues without limit; it will always recede at some point. You are not as powerless as you may think. There is lots of potential, but the only problem is that it is your responsibility.

WINNING OVER OPPOSITION

Don't ever set your goal to become popular in your state. Set your goal to be a good problem maker. If you are persecuted and called names, then at night you can feel, "I have done my duty today." That way people will take notice of you. I became so famous within the last 15 years because I did what I had to do and was attacked. I was very audacious; I never worried about what people thought of me. Until now, I had such a bad image, but now it is the other way around. So create positive problems in your state. You may not be able to do that overnight, but even if you take 10 or 20 years, you will still be a good age.

I started teaching the very moment the 10-city tour began in America. During this time, my name became well-known, and because of the bad publicity, I was associated with the exploitation of American young people. But I thought, "There is nothing worse that I can expect from America, so I should go full-steam ahead." I decided, if I go to Danbury and stay there for three years, when I come out America will finally recognize its mistake. So I submitted myself to this. And the result was just as I expected. Now people come and burst into tears for the mistake they committed.

What did I do in the midst of that miserable situation? I advised the creation of mobile teams, which travelled around America proclaiming the truth. We really stirred up the country. Why did we do that? Our purpose was not just to evangelize people, but to stir them up. After their complaints, they came to their senses and were astonished at the mistake they had made. Looking at them, all my feelings of being persecuted are gone. Is there any barking against Rev. Moon? Now the same mouths that once barked don't hesitate to say, "Rev. Moon is a great patriot."

Today, *The Washington Times* has really accomplished a tremendous task. Millions of dollars were spent for the sake of America. Our members have tremendous organizing and teaching power. So here comes my conclusion. Stop going your own way. My idea is far better, so believe it and follow it.

From now on will you be able to understand me directly or through an interpreter? An interpreter sometimes changes the sequence. All of you must speak Korean better than I speak English. Think about my age. Memorizing English is not easy, for I start studying after midnight.

You already know what my message is. You don't need my presence here all the time. Look back at my words, and now you can be a messiah on your own. My words are in 200 volumes, but are you going to read those through translation? Read them in the Korean language. Many scholars are now studying Korean. They are talking about making a contest someday. What if they ask you, "How did you study Rev.

Moon's words?" Will you answer them, "I could only read the translated version"? You will have no authority. I am planning to invite you to Korea and let you study Korean at some time. (Clapping) Did you hear about the Sông Hwa University in Korea? It has been given official permission to be a four-year institution.

YOUR TRANSITION TIME

I know that all of the Unification Church members are ambitious. Even if I were to chase you away with a baseball bat, no Unification Church member would leave by his own will. You have done the right thing to join, but don't waste your youth questioning whether you are right or wrong. This is very valuable time, both past and present, so spend your youth for the sake of God's country and the world. Don't you think that in the prime of my youth I had lots of dreams, wanting to travel, eat fancy food, and so on, much the same as you all want to do? But I gave all that up a long, long time ago. Why? Because I knew where the most value was. Whatever I do, people will still remember millions of years later. I did not lose my youth, but will revive it over and over again many times. So, why trade that kind of an opportunity for some lesser vocation?

Every day of my life is like a volcano. I wrote a diary while in Danbury. Everybody who reads that, whether they be a prisoner, a journalist, a farmer, or a minister, will be reborn and their life will erupt once more. When they read about my experience in my own words, they will become on fire for God's Will. I wrote a poem about Mother, the first poem I ever wrote to Mother, in Danbury. It is on Mother's wall, framed. It will be such a source of inspiration to millions and millions of women.

The Washington Times was created in Danbury, and *Insight* magazine. I tried to save America, my enemy, while I was in America's dungeon of hell. Six great organizations were created during my time in Danbury.

This is the transition time from evil to good. So please use this the same way that I used Danbury, which was my transition time to a larger level. I created so many things during the Danbury time, and today we all see the result. You too, work very hard now during this unique time. Don't waste this transition time. There is no more valuable way for you than creating a foundation which you can leave for your offspring. They will cherish your name and deeds because of what you did during this transition time. They will be proud of their first brave ancestor, and your nation will be proud of you.

So remember, have a strong commitment, do a lot of research, and take action. In the future you will be the geniuses of your nation. Emulate me and leave a heavenly worldwide tradition behind. Live for your nation, for the world, for the spiritual world and for God. □

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Президент СССР М. С. Горбачев принял 11 апреля в Кремле группу участников Всемирной конференции средств массовой информации. Всемирного Совета Мира, Ассоциации за единство Латинской Америки, а также представителей исполкома Всемирной федерации газетных издателей, встречи которых состоялись в Москве. Среди присутствующих находились бывшие президенты ряда государств Латинской Америки, Азии и Африки, теле- и радиожурналисты, издатели из различных зарубежных стран.

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MEDIA ACCLAMATION



Father addresses the audience during the opening plenary session of the 11th World Media Conference on April 10, 1990.

“A Deeply Emotional Experience”

Dr. Bo Hi Pak

Testimony on the Moscow Rally, given at Belvedere on April 22, 1990

I would like to read several excerpts from a newspaper article that illustrates how even non-members view Father's trip to the Soviet Union. This particular article is a column written by Ms. Georgie Anne Geyer and originates in *The Washington Times*. Her column is distributed through the *Universal Press Syndicate* and appears in 250 newspapers around the United States. Ms. Geyer has attended many World Media Conferences and fact-finding tours. She attended the Moscow World Media Conference, and afterwards wrote an article entitled: "Most Unlikely Moscow Meeting."

She writes, "Of all the impossible events that have occurred in the Soviet Union in the last five years, probably none has been as unlikely as the happy meeting in recent days between Mikhail Gorbachev and the Rev. Sun Myung Moon. The *Moscow News* called Mr. Moon the "most brilliant anti-communist and the No. 1 enemy of the state"—and then added, please, that it was "time to reconcile". For his part, Rev. Moon said that he loved the Soviet

people and that now the "Soviet Union was going to play a major role in the plan of God to construct a world of peace." To crown the new era, Mr. Gor-

bachiev on Wednesday hosted Mr. Moon in the bowels of the Kremlin. This was after Rev. Moon, the head of the Unification Church, had lectured the Soviet



Father gives an interview to the Moscow media at the airport reception room. Mr. Albert Vlasov, chairman of the Novosti Press Agency, is seated next to True Parents.

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True Parents and 38 World Media Conference participants meet with President Gorbachev at the Kremlin.

people on Adam and Eve. If this meeting did not cap the new era, one wonders what would."

Father is beginning a new dispensational era. So, horizontally speaking, historians will also see it as a new era. At the 11th World Media Conference, a full gamut of former heads of state surrounded Father—from Marxists of South Yemen and a former leftist president of Mexico to royalty and moderate and conservative leaders. There were fifty people seated at the head table, forty of them former heads of state.

God's message to the Kremlin

Father's plenary address was given on April 10 and concerned the Principle of Creation, the Fall of Man, restoration, and most importantly, the vertical and horizontal True Parents. They got the whole message, lock, stock, and barrel.

Ms. Geyer continues, "The highest level Soviet officials present—atheists all—listened impassively. When Albert Vlasov, chairman of the *Novosti Press Agency*, spoke afterward, he simply said

Father's purpose and he did it without hesitation. I was the one sweating next to Father because his words were so strong. I looked around at this Russian face, that Russian face. I was worried

The people of the Soviet Union are now God-hungry. They know that this anti-communist who stood up for God his entire life, even during incredible torture by communist forces, is an avatar of their country.

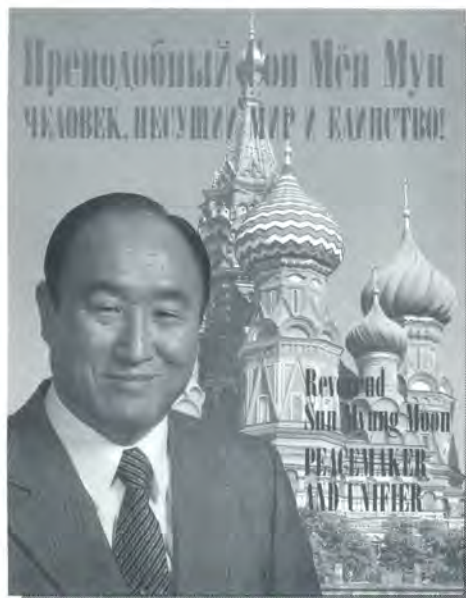
that, "the Rev. Moon has really crossed a long way to come to the Soviet Union, and not only miles."

The most important part of the article is, as Ms. Geyer put it, Father was bringing the message of God right into "the bowels of the Kremlin." That was

they might stand up and walk out, which sometimes happens in the United Nations when an ambassador disagrees with someone. So I was watching everyone carefully, but that didn't happen. Of course the Soviets don't know how to say amen, so they clapped a lot.

Father can now show the world that he has, in a spiritual sense, completely conquered Soviet atheism. This is the true victory and it is this victory that will hasten the unification of North and South Korea. This next goal will only happen through Father.

Harvard professor and world-famous Sovietologist Richard Pipes attended the conference. Previously, when we had invited him to a conference, he



Rev. Sun Myung Moon, Peacemaker and Unifier, was presented to all the participants at the World Media Conference.

brusquely turned us down. This time, he came and listened attentively, particularly after Father's meeting with Gorbachev. He commented: "The man of the hour today is not George Bush or Mitterand or Kohl, and not even Walesa. The man of the hour is Mikhail Gorbachev." Mikhail Gorbachev is at the pinnacle of popularity in world opinion. *Time* magazine gave him the title of "Man of the Decade," when they normally only use the title, "Man of the Year." The time will come when *Time* magazine will say that Rev. Sun Myung Moon is the "Man of the Century" and "Man of the Millennium."

Searching for God

Gorbachev personally invited Father and Mother to meet with him. He first spoke about one and a half hours in the conference with True Parents and the other presidents. Afterwards, he cordially escorted Father into his own personal office to a private meeting for 30 minutes. This is totally extraordinary!

Father is respected by the Soviet

Union for several reasons. Now that communism is crumbling, the anti-communist is a hero for the intellectuals of the Soviet Union. Because Father was an unflagging anti-communist his entire life, it follows that Father is the Number 1 hero of the Soviet Union. Second, he always stands up for God, wherever he goes and with whomever he meets, whether that person is a Soviet journalist or a Soviet politician.

The people of the Soviet Union are now God-hungry. They know that this anti-communist who stood up for God his entire life, even during incredible torture by communist forces, is an avatar of their country. Responding to that sentiment, President Gorbachev had to invite Father and Mother into the Kremlin.

On the day Father landed in Moscow, Mr. Albert Vlasov, the chairman of the *Novosti Press Agency* which co-sponsored the World Media Conference, and many other *Novosti* officials were at the airport. There are two VIP rooms, one for regular VIPs and the presidential VIP room, which is used only for Gorbachev or people on the level of presidents. The presidential reception room was reserved for us. Mr. Vlasov and Ms. Natalia Yakovleva, the editor-in-chief of the North America Department of *Novosti Press Agency*, presented Father and Mother with flowers.

There was a national television interview in which Father was asked for a few words about the meaning of his coming to Moscow and how he felt, to which he graciously responded: "I am very happy to be here in Moscow." We then entered the VIP room, where they had prepared a toast. Mr. Vlasov lifted up his glass and said, "Rev. Moon, welcome to the Soviet Union." Then Father responded, "Now let me return the toast. I would like to toast to the great people of the Soviet Union and your great leader President Gorbachev." In Father's toast, the "great people of the Soviet Union" came first.

A royal welcome

There was a VIP car waiting for us—a Chaika. We had a BMW police escort. I thought the Soviet Union was treating Father very well. Later I asked about it and their response was, "Yes, this kind of escort is only used for the president." The sirens were on and the lights were flashing as we rode from the airport to the city. We traveled the traffic lane usually reserved only for the president

and special officials. There were stop lights, but our caravan never stopped from the airport to the hotel.

Father's hotel was the Oktoborskaya Hotel. It is the Central Committee's hotel reserved for the highest communist officials. There was no better hotel in which Father could be accommodated. Father was escorted to the 12th floor, where he could see the Kremlin towers and the Russian Orthodox Church buildings from his balcony.

Every time we traveled we had a police escort. The first policeman who arrived at the Oktoborskaya Hotel said to me, "Representing the entire police force of the Soviet Union, I want to salute Rev. Moon. Could you allow me to do so?" So I invited this police officer, a very bulky man, to meet Father, explaining, "He wants to represent the Soviet police to you." He then saluted. Father smiled and shook his big hand.

At the April 9th reception there were participants from all over the world, including many former presidents and prime ministers, as well as the incumbent vice president of the Philippines and several incumbent prime ministers. There were two president's representa-



Father and Ambassador Douglas MacArthur II, senior member of the World Media Board of Chairmen, embrace at the reception.

tives standing in the receiving line, through which about 700 people came. Approximately 1,000 people attended the reception with each one receiving a name tag. The Soviets had never seen such beautiful name tags—everyone was so proud to wear them.

During the reception Father and Mother shook hands with many Russian journalists. Mother was especially beautiful. Mother wore Korean clothes on three occasions: at the reception, on the visit to the Kremlin, and at the Little Angels' performance. As soon as one Soviet photographer saw Mother, he forgot everyone else. He confided that he had never seen such a photogenic woman in his entire life. Each of Mother's Korean costumes were photographed, so Mother became a one-person Korean fashion show on Soviet television.

Teaching the Principle

Before the the opening session speech on April 10th, the conference participants found the special book we created, **Rev. Sun Myung Moon, Peacemaker and Unifier**, in Russian and English, on their tables. This book is Father's life history and of its 225 pictures, the most important one of all is a beautiful grand finale picture of Father and Mother's happy faces. By the time they finished looking at all the pictures and reading about Father's life, everyone was ready to hear Father's message. At



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Father and Mother graciously greet a conference participant in the receiving line.

tended the conference and gave the first speech, greeting the participants on behalf of the government. Father was then introduced; everyone was so absolutely attentive that you could have heard a

pin drop. Father taught the Principle for 45 minutes. Although this was a media conference, he was speaking about Adam and Eve. Logically, it didn't make sense. But Father is so well-respected that everyone listened deeply. The spiritual atmosphere was changing and heightening every moment. Father's message was an immortal one: good for today, good for 100, even 1,000 years in the future. Father left a declaration in the Soviet Union that the Moscow rally is also a world

had a humble but very heartwarming celebration with all of our members. Father and Mother were very happy, very energetic and very beautiful.

That same day, President Gorbachev invited Father and Mother to meet him at the Kremlin. At 4:30 pm we entered the Kremlin and were seated. Father was first, Mother was second, and I, as the translator, was third. Other presidents were seated on both sides of us. Gorbachev entered and sat down. In that formal meeting, President Gorbachev spoke and listened an hour and a half. In his opening remarks, he stated formally: "I am here to welcome the presidents of various nations, and especially Rev. and Mrs. Moon. I welcome you to our country. Your conference is a very important and special one. I am happy that it has been very successful so far."

Meeting with Pres. Gorbachev

Father was the first speaker; Ambassador Chavez introduced him as the founder of the Summit Council for World Peace and the World Media Association. Father can always capture the heart of the other person in his first sentence. He said, "Mr. President, this is my first time to see you—you look very young and handsome." President Gorbachev didn't need a translation for that. The ice was broken and intimacy was created. He replied, "Thank you, Rev. Moon. I was forgetting that I am a young man because my job is so tough. Thank you



Father and Mother preside over the awarding of AULA's International Order for Liberty and Unity to Yuri Ossipyan (left), member of Gorbachev's newly created Presidential Council, and Igor Yakovlev (shaking hands) member of the Politburo and the Presidential Council.

that time Father could have said anything and everyone would have said "Amen."

Mr. Yuri Ossipyan, an influential member of the Presidential Council, at-

rally. This message was translated into English, Spanish, Russian, Korean, Japanese and French.

The next day, April 11, was True Parents' thirtieth wedding anniversary. We

for reminding me."

Father thanked him for the opportunity to come to Moscow and for being a good host. He explained all the heads of state at the table were supporting Gorbachev: "Therefore, you must utilize these powerful people by sending the message to your embassies to work with them. Let us make perestroika and glasnost known all over the world immediately. This World Media Conference has the capacity to do it; it is your asset."

Father expressed, "Mrs. Moon and my family are very pleased to come to Moscow. This is truly a deeply emotional experience. We are learning about this great country and I think we can do a much better job in the days to come. I brought a special gift for you." The gift was a white marble vase, carved with a dragon—a beautiful masterpiece. Father said, "I want to present this special gift of South Korea to the Soviet people in the name of Mikhail Gorbachev, for your museum. This vase has a special meaning. You and I are working for

Union need these three things the most at this time."

When Gorbachev heard that, he came to Father and received the marble vase. Mother was standing right there while Father and Gorbachev shared a firm handshake.

After this meeting, everyone was leaving. But I escorted Father and Moth-

ic relations with the Soviet Union can never enter that room. But Gorbachev invited True Parents there. Outside this office, Gorbachev was rather formal because he was dealing with other presidents, but inside he was completely free, embracing and talkative. It was the most incredible fellowship—truly the moment when the universal Jacob met

It was the most incredible fellowship—truly the moment when the universal Jacob met the universal Esau. Father gave him a big hug.

er, Ambassador Chavez and Rev. Kwak in a different direction. Everyone wondered, "Where are they going? I thought the meeting was over." We entered a secretarial office, then another door opened and Gorbachev's aide came out to say, "Rev. and Mrs. Moon, please come this way."

We entered another office where Mr. Gorbachev and a couple of aides were

the universal Esau. Father gave him a big hug.

There was a lot of publicity in the Soviet Union. The *Moscow News*, with 8 million circulation, did a great interview with Father. Another interview was published in *Family* magazine, with five million circulation. In *Izvestia*, Father's meeting with Gorbachev was carried on the front page. *Pravda* also carried a big article, publishing Father's words in detail. The greatest thing was the Soviet national television's interview with Father. On April 20th, a one-hour special aired in the Soviet Union. The central themes were the journalists' visit to Korea, Father's meeting with Gorbachev and the World Media Conference in Moscow. The show was carried on Channel One and seen by 300 million viewers!

Little Angels in Moscow

Another one-hour special will broadcast the Little Angels, who came to Russia as cultural ambassadors. They really live up to their name. Father and Mother were deeply pleased. The Little Angels brought an anniversary cake from Korea to Russia to celebrate True Parents' anniversary. The First Lady, Raisa Gorbachev, came for the second half of the program. She had a state function that evening but left early to come. She really enjoyed it. At the end when the Little Angels sang a Russian folk song, many

Russians cried—it melted Koreans and Russians into one.

Can you imagine if two thousand years ago Jesus Christ had gone to Rome, visited the Senate and been welcomed



Several members of the True Family and Korean and Japanese elders pose with True Parents on the occasion of their thirtieth wedding anniversary.

world peace. The white marble represents peace. This graceful shape represents art. The dragon in Oriental philosophy means power, good health and good fortune. I think you and the Soviet

standing. Gorbachev said, "Rev. Moon, this is where I work." We were in his personal office where usually no one is invited except his own staff. Usually, a person from a country without diplomat-

by Caesar and his wife? The Kingdom of Heaven would already be on the earth. This is exactly what happened in Russia. Raisa Gorbachev came to greet Father and Mother. Father gave a speech, in front of the First Lady, who was sitting there listening. Father said,

"Yesterday, I had a remarkable meeting with President Gorbachev. I respect and admire his courage and leadership. I assured him that I would cooperate in every way I can to support his program of peace. I told President Gorbachev that the secret for the success of the Soviet Union is to place God at the very center of every endeavor. Through-

Meeting with President Gorbachev

The following article is excerpted from The Segye Ilbo and was translated from Korean by Mr. Sung Oh.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev made clear on April 11th, "The official relationship of the Soviet Union with South Korea is just a matter of time with no obstacles in the way."

Mr. Gorbachev, who met Rev. Sun Myung Moon in his Kremlin office for 30 minutes, strongly hinted at the possibility of establishing the state relation-

Korea affirmatively" and pledged he will endeavor to bring peace to the Korean peninsula and hoped for a good result.

Mr. Gorbachev believes the nations surrounding the Korean peninsula have now arrived at a point where intensive discussions about the reunification of South and North Korea should begin. He expressed his willingness to act as a mediator.

Regarding economic cooperation between the Soviet Union and South Korea, Mr. Gorbachev said the cooperation with Korea will be a great aid to the development of the Soviet economy and asked Rev. Moon to help either directly or indirectly in the development of the Soviet Union by using the multi-national economic foundations and worldwide organizations of the Unification movement.

Mr. Gorbachev also said Korea and the Soviet Union must expand the exchange of technology and science. He expressed his expectation that the two nations might jointly advance.

Rev. Chung Hwan Kwak, president of the Seoul *Segye Times*, and Dr. Bo Hi Pak, president of *The Washington Times*, attended this sudden meeting.

Before his private meeting with Rev. Moon, Mr. Gorbachev invited 38 delegates who are participating in the 11th World Media Conference from various nations around the world, including 24 former presidents, to the Kremlin and talked about one

hour.

At this time, Mr. Gorbachev explained the situation of perestroika. "The Soviet Union has now reached the level of convergence of different opinions and is now beginning to take action. Perestroika will be accelerated on this national consensus," said Mr. Gorbachev. □



Dr. Bo Hi Pak displays photos of the meetings with President Gorbachev at Belvedere service on April 22, 1990.



out my own life, this has proven over and over again to be essential. Mr. Gorbachev's burden is great and his mission difficult. It is only with God at his side that he can win the victory. I am leaving the Soviet Union with great hope in my heart. This nation will play a central role in God's providence in the coming decade. I know that in my every prayer I am going to include

ship of the two nations within this year.

Mr. Gorbachev assured the smooth development of South Korean-Soviet relations while emphasizing the political stability and alleviation of tension on the Korean peninsula.

Concerning the reunification of Korea, Mr. Gorbachev said, "We all should deal with the reunification of

the Soviet Union and her great people.

"In my opening remarks, I spoke about the importance of a God-centered worldview. Many of you commented about that point. As a religious leader, I firmly believe that a God-centered worldview offers the solution to all problems. Atheistic theories centered only on man bring disaster and self-destruction in the end. This is the universal principle, true in both the East and in the West. I sincerely hope that all the distinguished statesmen and journalists who have been attending this conference, will unite with this principle. Let us work together to support glasnost and perestroika in the Soviet Union; let us work for lasting world peace."

Greatest victory won

Then the Little Angels brought out the wedding cake. In front of the First Lady, True Parents blew out the candles and cut the cake while the Little Angels sang, "Happy Anniversary." I could not imagine anything more beautiful. The First Lady was absolutely charming. Finally, they sang, "Moscow Night" and the First Lady sang along. She came back to congratulate Father and Mother, and let us take a picture of her embracing the children. She completely forgot about the time. She finally stood up and said in English, "My Little Angels, bye bye." On the way out she spoke to the Korean press and said, "I have never seen such disciplined beauty in my life. It's almost like my girlhood dream coming true."

My dear brothers and sisters, I want to conclude by saying that Father and Mother won the greatest and highest victory ever imagined. You and I doubted that that Moscow Rally would ever take place. Father and Mother attained the worldwide mountain peak. All we have to do is expand it. Father is going back to Korea to have a True Parents' welcoming party throughout the country. After a once-in-a-lifetime experience you sometimes feel that you can die with no regrets. After this Moscow Rally, I feel that if I were to die any moment, I would have nothing to worry about.

This great victory could occur because the dispensational time was correct. The True Parents' preparation was

fulfilled spiritually—even kingship was declared. Father's most incredible strategy and wisdom accomplished this. So we thank True Parents and thank True Father's wisdom. Once again I could witness the greatness of our True Parents. God is working every minute of the day.

When we work with the mind of the victorious Moscow Rally, we can score a Moscow victory in our home church areas and our workplaces, day after

day. We have the greatest blessing to have True Parents. Today we are all Moscow victors. The victory of True Parents' celebration is going to reverberate throughout the entire year, but today is the beginning. Let's pray for the Soviet Union and Mr. Gorbachev, and for the next dispensation: an even bigger summit conference in North Korea. It's going to happen. Believe it and pray for it. Amen. □

Two Poems in Honor of the Moscow Victory

by Brenda Lawrensen

True Abel has gone to save his Cain.
This journey began long, long ago.
Full of unbeknown pain and suffering
the path has been cleared only once.

Now True Parents shine through.
Full of victorious scars, though visible only to God,
they show their deserved inheritance.
They have inherited the earth.

But wait. Not just for themselves did they suffer to prosper.
For us, the sinners, the undeserved, the unfaithful.
Now it's only a matter of time until each fulfills
the responsibility to receive the same inheritance.

April 10, 1990

Two had faith—Joshua and Caleb
They went against the odds of
Their peers who said, "No way. . ."
No way to beat the odds of the oppressor
For we are too weak, too small, too few. . .

But the two with faith—
They must have believed in Someone greater
As well as believing in themselves.
What made them believe?
What were they made of?
Had they the laurels of previous victorious experiences?

Maybe they had lived a faithful life all along.
A daily building of prayer, loyalty, watchful eye, and
Whatever was essential spiritually for them
To march forward when God's Word came along.

September 23, 1989

Victory in Moscow

by Larry Moffitt

Executive Director of the World Media Association

I have had an opportunity to see Father and Mother on many different occasions and in many different moods, but honestly, I have never seen a happiness of the intensity and brightness as that which appeared on the faces of our True Parents immediately following their historic meeting with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

In the future, when one looks up the word "joy" in the dictionary, he will see a photograph of that moment to illustrate the definition.

History will record that in his 70th year, Father rode into Moscow on Palm Sunday. Unlike with Jesus, however, it was not astride a donkey and the poor people didn't meet him with palm fronds. He and Mother were greeted with bouquets of flowers by the Chairman of *Novosti Press Agency*. There was a long black Chaika limousine courtesy of the Central Committee of the Communist Party and a police escort took the East Garden party to the Central Committee's own posh Oktobarskaya Hotel. The KGB had a half-a-dozen silent and very serious agents acting as security guards on the ride from the airport.

It was a most unusual and challenging conference from every aspect. In a telephone conversation a few weeks before the conference, Dr. Pak expressed the apprehension everyone was feeling. He said solemnly, "Father's expectations for this conference are so incredibly high it is almost frightening." And added, "But don't you be frightened. You pray!" It was good advice, so we doubled our prayer offensive.

In fact the entire membership of the Unification Church worldwide was praying mightily, doing conditions, burning candles and fasting for the success of the March on Moscow. Many times, members called or faxed our office from all over the world seeking guidance about what specific points to pray for. We would tell them, "Father needs to meet Gorbachev." The maximum victory was defined early on as a cordial meeting between Father and Gorbachev. The scary part was that this meeting would be the minimum accept-

able qualification for victory as well. Providentially speaking, all the eggs were in one basket.

The concurrent meetings of the Summit Council for World Peace and the Association for the Unity of Latin America (AULA) greatly improved the odds for accomplishing our goal. The membership of both these organizations is former national presidents and prime ministers—and 41 of them came to Moscow at Father's invitation. Imagine how

had been printed in Korean, Russian, English, Japanese and Spanish and were distributed as people entered the room. More than 600 Soviet and foreign newsmen had requested credentials to cover the conference and it looked as if most of them came to this opening session. The huge ballroom was filled.

They loved it. Especially the Soviets drank it up like thirsty spirits at the spring of life. One well-known Soviet columnist asked for extra Russian-



Mr. Larry Moffitt introduces Father at the opening plenary session.

different the outcome would have been for Jesus, if he could have ridden into Jerusalem with even one high-ranking official at his side.

Opening Plenary session

There was great anticipation on the part of everyone before the opening plenary session. The founder's address this year was unlike any other. More than a media speech it was a compilation of a Divine Principle lecture and Father's Sunday morning sermons. Of course it was all about true love and one world. We wondered how well it would be received in the headquarters city of worldwide atheism. Advance copies of the speech

language copies for close friends and family. "You know," he said excitedly holding up his stack of copies, "I already knew all of these things he talked about." Even though many people there will tell you they are atheists, it seems that everybody fervently wants to believe in God. They long for someone to tell them with conviction that God is real. He is personal and He loves you. And that's just what Father told them.

A sister attending in Father's suite reported that as True Parents returned there after the speech, Mother came into the room first with a big smile. She gave two thumbs up and said, "Success!"

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Above: True Parents commemorate their thirtieth wedding anniversary at the conference hotel on April 11, 1990. Church members gathered early in the morning to celebrate and receive an hour's speech from Father, after which he announced that he and Mother would meet with President Gorbachev that afternoon.

Top right: Father and Mother shake hands with Mrs. Raisa Gorbachev and the director of the Children's Musical Theater of Moscow at the end of the Little Angels' performance.

Lower right: True Parents with several members of the True Family at the Oktobraskaya Hotel.



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The 11th World Media Conference convened in Moscow on April 10, 1990.

Most people were amazed that Father would deliver such a spiritual address. It was definitely unusual fare for a conference on media. Still the Soviet press played it very big, giving it front page coverage in *Pravda* and *Izvestia*. The official Soviet news agency TASS sent the story around the world. *Novosti Press Agency*, our co-sponsors of the conference, had no fewer than six television cameras covering the events at all times. I was even approached by the Moscow bureau chief of the North Korean newspaper *The Workers' Daily* for an interview. He asked me if Reverend Moon would be willing to hold such a conference in Pyongyang. He was shocked when I told him, "Of course he would."

History will further record that the 30th Anniversary of the Blessing of the True Parents was held in Moscow on April 11. There was a big cake, a banner and many church leaders filling the spacious presidential suite of the Nezh-dunarodnaya, the conference hotel. (We rented this suite because the Oktobarskaya, where the True Family slept, was some distance away.)

Meeting at the Kremlin

April 11 was also the day we went to the Kremlin to meet the President. We knew by the late afternoon on the previous day that the meeting had been approved by the President. Details were worked out with Gorbachev's staff whereby there would be an initial meeting of undetermined length with the

President, True Parents and the former presidents and prime ministers. Following this more public meeting, Father and Mother would be called inside, accompanied by Dr. Pak and Rev. Kwak, to meet privately. Soviet State Television made the meeting their top story that night.

Of what when on in the closed room, rumors flourish. I hear something new and incredible each

day. It is known they discussed religion and the reunification of Korea among possibly other topics. Perhaps Father will elaborate some day. We do know that Father and Mother emerged absolutely radiant in joy. Maximum success.

The following evening was the historic first performance of the Little Angels of Korea who were giving a series of benefit performances for the Soviet Children's Fund at the Children's Musical Theater of Moscow. Mrs. Gorbachev departed early from a reception for Polish President Jaruzelski in order to attend the show. She was quite enthusiastic in

her enjoyment of the dances and in her appreciative applause afterward.

After the last number, the Little Angels brought out a cake in honor of True Parents' wedding anniversary so they could celebrate the occasion too, even though it was one day later.

So there we all were: Father and Mother cutting the cake in commemoration of the 30th anniversary of the Marriage of the Lamb, with the Little Angels singing "Happy

Anniversary to You" in Korean, and the First Lady of the Soviet Union beaming brightly in fascination as she helped celebrate the most historic wedding anniversary in history. The maximum level of success just got topped.

Mrs. Gorbachev came backstage afterward to give and receive hugs and kisses from the Little Angels, to meet the True Parents and pose in group photos with them and the children. The atmosphere was so high and infectious that everyone present was caught up in rapturous joy.

Even the KGB agents were smiling.

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11th World Media Conference pamphlet.

The Price of Victory in Moscow

by Dr. Thomas Ward

Dr. Ward was one of the founding members of CAUSA International and currently serves as its Executive Vice President.

Over the years I have often explained in our CAUSA lectures about Father's intention to hold a religious rally in Moscow. Like many other Unificationists, I believed that this event would occur under adverse conditions. I felt that it might result in our Church members being imprisoned or killed. To my astonishment, the Moscow rally was nothing of the kind. Father and Mother were warmly received as friends by the Soviet people. It was a glorious, "picture-perfect" event.

Inheriting the Moscow victory

Following the Moscow Conference our elder brother Hyo Jin Nim spoke to members at Belvedere on April 29, 1990. Hyo Jin Nim emphasized that Father's victory should be inherited by us. He explained that to do so, we must understand the price that was paid for it. Hyo Jin Nim reminded us that following World War II, the conditions were set for Christianity to receive the Messiah and to usher in God's ideal of peace on earth. Hyo Jin Nim alluded not only to the various Christian movements in Korea, such as the New Jesus Church and the Inside-the-Belly Church which were prepared to receive the Messiah, but he also spoke of how True Father's own grandfather had been prepared to advance the Providence. For many years, he said, Father's grandfather had been involved in the Korean independence movement, and had committed all of his spiritual and material resources to Korea's liberation.

Following World War II, Syngman Rhee became the Republic of Korea's first president. President Rhee, a personal friend of Father's grandfather, invited him to join the government. On three occasions, President Rhee even sent a helicopter to carry him to Seoul. However, on each occasion, Father's grandfather refused, maintaining that he was not a politician but a man of religion.

Hyo Jin Nim explained that when Father's grandfather rejected President

Rhee's request to assist in governing the country, he unknowingly hampered Father from reaching President Rhee. Hyo Jin Nim compared this failure to the failure of John the Baptist.

When this and other failures caused Korea not to unite with Father and the United States also did not accomplish its providential responsibility, Father had to spend 40 years restoring this failure. Hyo Jin Nim said that Father's Danbury course, culminating with Father's August 16, 1985 "Declaration of Total Victory", marked the completion of Father's 40 year wilderness course. Without Father's internal victory, Hyo Jin Nim explained, there could not have been a successful Moscow Rally.

Father's course to Moscow

I recall visiting Pusan for the first time in 1975. There, some early members explained that since the early 1950s, Father had spoken often of how one day he would come to work in America. They said that in those early days, Father already was praying tearfully for America, begging God to spare our nation.

Certainly Father had the same heart toward the Soviet Union. In the spirit of Hyo Jin Nim's guidance, I believe that as we celebrate the Moscow victory, it is very important to reflect on what we have seen Father do over the years that made this victory possible. Although I cannot present everything here, I hope that what I share will shed some light on the ways that Father planned, sacrificed and acted so that this day could come.

On July 1, 1973, two International One World Crusade teams were formed and led by Joseph Sheftick and Perry Cordill. Although American, I was selected for one of the teams, because I had joined the Unification Church in France.

The contents of Father's moving speech entitled "The Significance of July 1, 1973" detailed how America was sinking into a morass of indifference, while communism openly proclaimed the communization of America as its ultimate goal. Father declared that he could not allow this to continue. He explained that the Unification Church had to turn the tide:

"We have to save this country and its people, and lead them into Canaan together. Our ultimate goal is a march to Moscow. You must have that conviction. Communists are now pursuing their goal to win America but this plan has to be reversed."

Father was desperately serious. He compared communism to Goliath and the Unification Church to David. Like



Church members gather for a kick-off rally for the International One World Crusade in 1973.

David, he foresaw that the Unification Church would be victorious. Father concluded the speech by saying,

"Whether you like it or not, God has given you this mission. It is now up to us to fulfill our task and win for God. Love is a two-edged sword. If we fail, the first ones to be punished will be us. As you know, in order to come to this particular mission, I walked a more miserable path than any man has ever walked. There is no second chance, no way to redo it. If we fail, there is no restoration beyond us; without us, how will the world be restored?"

Father heart was so desperate. At the end of the speech he wept so profusely that he virtually choked on his own tears.

The fifty-state speaking tour

In 1973 and 1974, Father spoke in all fifty states. As he had done in his July 1st declaration, Father warned Americans of the inherent evil of communism and he emphasized America's responsibility to challenge communistic atheism. Father compared communism to the thief who was crucified on the left of Jesus and who denied him. Father compared the free world and America to the thief on Jesus' right:

The seed for the existence of a God-fearing world was sown by the thief on the right-hand side. The free world is in the position of the right-hand thief. And America is the center of those God-fearing Free World nations. America has been chosen as the defender of God, whereas communism says to the world, 'There is no God.'

It is America's position to say to the Communists, 'What are you talking about? God exists. God dwells right here, with us.' Is America taking this position? No! Today's America is quickly turning self-centered and away from God. America doesn't seem to care about the rest of the world. But you must give America to the rest of the world as a champion for God.

When America helped others, sent out missionaries and aid to starving people, she enjoyed her golden age. Confrontation with communism could have been done from a position of strength at that time.

But today America is retreating. It is not just an accident that great tragedy is constantly striking America and the world: The spirit of America has declined. Unless this nation lives up to the mission ordained by God, many troubles will plague you. God is beginning to leave America. This is God's warning.

"I hope that you will be a little kinder to me than you are to your president."

When a heckler interrupted his speech, Father recognized him by saying, "I would like to thank you sincerely. Your heckling has made this night even more memorable for me." The audience burst into laughter. They applauded Father and the heckler stopped.

For no apparent reason, one woman



Father and Mother attend a "Forgive, Love and Unite" rally during the Watergate crisis. To their right, church president Neil Salonen displayed an "I am praying for you" poster with President Nixon's photo. Mrs. Won Pok Choi is to their left.

Father was absolutely serious. Before each speech, Father came to the hall and prayed. He described his attitude before these speeches, comparing it to the seriousness of a condemned man on the way to his execution. He was so desperate to awaken America and end American indifference to communist expansion.

Father always spoke with courage and conviction, and it was not easy for some American audiences to receive Father's warning. I especially remember Father's three speeches on the Berkeley campus in 1973. Berkeley was a center of political radicalism. While witnessing on campus for Father's speech, our members were harassed and attacked.

We had been warned that only a few weeks before, Guru Maharaji had been driven from the Berkeley Auditorium stage by radical students. We feared that students would try to do the same thing to Father. The first evening Father spoke, the Berkeley crowd booed when it was mentioned that Father had met Richard Nixon. When Father began speaking, he joked with the students:

in the audience laughed sporadically throughout Father's opening talk. Finally, when Father spoke about give and take action, he turned to the woman and said, "It is like the young woman here in the audience. She is laughing because she feels joy. She conveys joy to me through her laughter. And as I continue to speak, I bring even greater joy to her. And so, as the speech continues, the joy between us becomes greater and greater." The audience loved it, and finally, the woman stopped laughing. Father had won over the audience. By the third night of Father's talks, that full house of cynical Berkeley students gave Father a standing ovation.

Not only at Berkeley, but elsewhere, Father often went through tremendous trials and rejection during his speaking tour. Many times during his speech people, including Christians, interrupted Father with rude outbursts. On some occasions, virtually no one came to his talk. At Father's banquet in Tulsa, Oklahoma in 1974, only six people accepted the invitation and attended. Still with a constant heart, Father went forward, de-

terminated to awaken America to her responsibility to proclaim God's existence and oppose the advance of militant atheism.

Watergate

Father knew that America should not abandon Southeast Asia to communism. In that sense, Richard Nixon's presidency was very significant. President Nixon had committed himself to peace with honor in Vietnam and he was succeeding.

In late 1973, as the Watergate crisis hit the news, Father patiently waited for several months but realized no American religious leader understood how President Nixon's resignation would result in an internal crisis in America and immeasurable bloodshed in Indochina. In November 1973, Father issued his statement on Watergate. He maintained that the solution to this crisis was for America to "forgive, love and unite" with President Nixon.

In the Watergate statement, Father compared America's attitude toward Richard Nixon to the biblical story of the prostitute whom the Pharisees of Jesus' time wished to stone to death. Father reminded the American people of Jesus' instruction that the one without guilt among them should cast the first stone.

Father wanted the American people to recognize that all Americans shared the guilt for America's problems. As Jesus had explained, "If you forgive

ident Nixon tried to stand strong but finally he surrendered to media and political pressure.

Eight months after Nixon's resignation, Indochina fell to communism, resulting in the genocide of millions of innocent human beings. Nixon's resignation precipitated not only the communization of South Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia; it also opened the way for the rapid communization of Angola, Mozambique, Ethiopia, and Guinea-Bissau.

By withdrawing from Vietnam, America abandoned her God-given role as the defender of freedom. Satan acted quickly, using communism in Africa, Asia and even Latin America to block God's Providence. America's failure to unite with Father's call to support Richard Nixon also precipitated America's own spiritual, political and economic decline. America's intelligence agencies were undermined and America continued to suffer from a spiritual sickness which came to be known as the "Vietnam



Washington Monument was the culmination of Father's public speeches in America.

evitably we will gain the reputation of being the worst enemy of communism, and the communists themselves will spread it." What Father predicted came to pass. On January 28, 1984, *Izvestia*, one of the official Soviet newspapers, labeled Father as the "Champion of Anti-Sovietism."

In his speech of October 4, 1976, Father had expressed his absolute commitment to stop communism, with or without America, and at the same time to go to Moscow. But how would he accomplish this goal? Immediately following the Washington Monument Rally, Father announced his intention to create a newspaper in New York. *The News World* served as a vehicle to encourage President Jimmy Carter to apply his human rights policies not only to right-wing authoritarian governments but to communist governments as well. Through *News World Communications*, Father would also openly condemn communism's militant atheism.

The News World also served as the founding institution of the World Media Association, which Father asked Michael Warder to begin in 1978. Through the World Media Association, Father would express his love for the Soviet people and his desire for genuine reconciliation.

Victory despite opposition

Because Father had taken a position in favor of Richard Nixon, he became a target of America's liberal media, and shortly after Father's Watergate statement, the *Washington Post*, which had

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that he virtually choked on his own tears.***

men their trespasses, your Heavenly Father also will forgive you; but if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses." (Matt.6:14-15)

Had America united with Father's appeal and forgiven President Nixon, it would have been an opportunity for America to be forgiven by God for her sins and to be healed. It also would have been a way to stop the communist victory in Vietnam.

In his meeting with President Nixon in December 1973, and virtually up until August 1974 when Nixon resigned, Father called upon the president to remain in office in spite of the opposition. Pres-

Syndrome".

Father was heartbroken by America's failure, yet he did not abandon America. In his speeches at Madison Square Garden, Yankee Stadium and Washington Monument, he continued to push America to accomplish her mission.

Finding the way to Moscow

Following the Washington Monument victory, Father announced on October 4, 1976, the "Day of the Victory of Heaven", his absolute commitment to go to Moscow: "From this time on we solemnly declare that we have an additional goal. The next goal is Moscow."

At that time Father predicted: "In-

broken the Watergate story, began to refer demeaningly to Unification Church members as "Moonies." The liberal media, together with a deprogramming cabal known today as the "Cult Awareness Network", began putting pressure on the United States government to in-

lost his bid for the Senate but he was removed from the Washington scene altogether.

On the basis of the victory over Rep. Fraser, I believe that Father was called upon by God to take over the helm in America's mission against communism.

After the Fraser victory, Latin America began to appeal to Father for assistance in their struggle against communism. At the same time, African nations also began to request spiritual and technical training from Father.

In explaining the embracing attitude of Latin America, Father compared North America and South America to North Korea

and South Korea. He said that he had suffered and sacrificed in North Korea but that this had brought very little result. After Father returned to South Korea in 1950, however, the blessing came to him, with many members joining. In that same sense, Father explained that he had sacrificed greatly in North America with little result, but that God had blessed his effort by bringing victories in South America through or-

Shortly after June 30th, the indictment against Father came down.

Just as in the Fraser hearings, Father turned what seemed to be a setback into a great victory for God. Instead of focusing on his own situation, Father concentrated only on God's Providence. It was in the midst of his trial that Father established *The Washington Times*. During that trial as well, Father invited World Media Association Executive Director Larry Moffitt to Foley Square Court House and asked him to begin taking American journalists to the Soviet Union. *The Washington Times* became a rod of judgment against communism. The World Media Tours would become an expression of Father's undying love and desire to reach the Soviet people.

When, because of Danbury, ministers rallied around him, Father taught them that although America may have violated his religious liberty, Marxism-Leninism constituted an even more serious threat to religious freedom. Father made it possible, through CAUSA USA, for literally thousands of Christian ministers to be exposed to Victory Over Communism theory and to his teachings on Godism while he was in prison.

In Father's July 1, 1973 speech, he predicted that communism would reach its high point in 1978. Father was right. Even though in 1979, Afghanistan and Nicaragua would be added to communism's trophy case of conquests, these two nations would turn out to be a curse rather than a blessing for communism. The resistance against communism inside these two nations would help lead to communism's unraveling.

God's judgment clearly fell on atheistic communism while Father was in Danbury. During his imprisonment, the People's Republic of China openly stated that Marxism could not

solve humanity's problems. While Father was in Danbury, Mikhail Gorbachev came to power, opening the way for an era of glasnost and "New Thinking".

On August 16, 1985, at the end of his prison term, Father declared the "Day of Total Victory" to mark both the victory of Father's forty-year course and the victory of Hyo Jin Nim as True Abel. Hyo Jin Nim's victory was manifested through the success of the 1985 Blessed children's workshop in Korea and the



Father and Mother pray at the dedication ceremony for CAUSA International at the Tiffany Building in New York in 1983. Dr. Thomas Ward is standing opposite to True Parents, on the far left.

vestigate the Unification Church. Republican Senator Robert Dole held the first such hearings in 1976. To me, this bad condition laid by Senator Dole helps to explain why President Gerald Ford, who chose Dole as his vice-presidential running mate in 1976, was defeated by Jimmy Carter.

In 1978, Democratic Congressman Donald Fraser also tried to get political mileage for his U.S. Senatorial campaign by including our Church members in the Koreagate hearings. It was Fraser's contention that the Unification Church was acting as an agent of influence in the United States for the South Korean government. He was proven wrong.

Father used the Fraser investigation to expose the man's vindictiveness toward the political right and his accommodating attitude toward communism. Father counselled Dr. Bo Hi Pak, who was summoned to testify before the Fraser hearings: "You are David. This hearing is not a burden. It is God's blessing."

Following Father's inspiration, Dr. Pak won the victory by challenging Rep. Fraser. He clearly exposed Fraser's ties to communism. Rep. Fraser not only

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ganizations such as CAUSA and later AULA.

Danbury—the price of victory

For years, Father had spoken of the need to build a foundation of 30,000 members in America. Father even extended the date for us to fulfill the goal from the end of 1978 until June 30, 1981. When we could not achieve our membership goal, it was Father who had to pay the price for America's failure.

victory of the Berlin CARP conference. In both cases, the second generation achieved unity with Hyo Jin Nim as Abel, opening the way for all of us to experience a more filial relationship with the True Parents through the True Children.

August 1985 saw the successful completion of the PWPA Conference in Geneva, to which Father gave the prophetic title "The Fall of the Soviet Empire". It

icies of repression, Father embraced the Soviet representatives who visited him in Korea and the United States. In the 1989 World Media Conference in Washington, Soviet delegates were especially moved by Father's warm words to them.

The 1990 Moscow World Media Conference was the result of Father's unchanging standard. As I have tried to explain, Father consistently exposed communism's militant atheism while maintaining a constant heart of love toward the Soviet people.

The night before Father's keynote address in Moscow, I stayed up the entire night and had the chance to pray in a prayer room which Antonio Betancourt and Tomiko Duggan had prepared beside the hall where Father spoke. I prayed that night with the Grandmother Hong candle and I felt a very special holy atmosphere. I read over Father's key-

set the condition to create "one world totally resonating with true love."

On April 11th in Moscow, we celebrated the True Parents' 30th Wedding Anniversary. During the celebration, Father announced his meeting that afternoon with President Gorbachev.

I personally was not in attendance at that meeting. However, that evening, Steven Boyd, our church missionary in Uruguay, and I stopped at the Intourist Hotel, and to our surprise suddenly on the television we saw President Gorbachev addressing the Summit Council representatives. I mentioned to Steve I felt that President Gorbachev must have already met or heard from Father because he seemed deeply moved. (I learned later that Father had spoken prior to President Gorbachev's address.)

He seemed to speak from his heart, rather than his head. It was apparent that he had experienced something special in his encounter with the True Parents.

The closing night of the conference, the participants attended the beautiful program of the Little Angels. Father and Mother hosted Madame Raisa Gorbachev as their guest of honor.

As Father spoke at the conclusion, I recognized again his deep seriousness before God. A lesser man would have tried to flatter Madame Gorbachev and express niceties. But Father chose to share words with her that could open the way for the salvation of the Soviet Union. His words, while filled with love, were a very direct call for the Soviet leadership to include God in their system.

A final reflection

The Moscow rally and the encounter with President and Madame Gorbachev were not chance events. They resulted from years of Father's careful planning, preparation and sacrifice. Personally, I believe that the Moscow Rally and the Gorbachev meetings were necessary to fulfill a Providential mandate. If this historical event had not taken place soon after the collapse of communism in Eastern Europe, it would be far more difficult for future generations to recognize that those changes had occurred, not because one economic system is superior to another, but because one man prayed, wept and bled so that the day would come when our divided world would be made whole, under vertical and horizontal True Parents. □



Ministers embrace Father as he leaves Danbury on July 4, 1985.

was at that time Father instructed Dr. Sang Hun Lee to write his prophetic *Declaration of the End of Communism*.

Esau receives Jacob

At the beginning President Mikhail Gorbachev was still defending anachronisms such as the Berlin Wall and the Soviet military presence in Afghanistan. For this reason, when President Gorbachev visited Washington DC in December 1988 for the summit meeting with U.S. President Ronald Reagan, *The Washington Times* opposed the decision to have Gorbachev address a joint session of the U.S. Congress. I believe it was because of *The Washington Times'* position that Gorbachev's invitation to address Congress was rescinded. A few days later, a Soviet delegation requested a visit to *The Washington Times*. Soviet journalists also contacted Larry Moffit to request an exchange with the World Media Association.

As the Soviet Union began moving away from militant atheism and its pol-

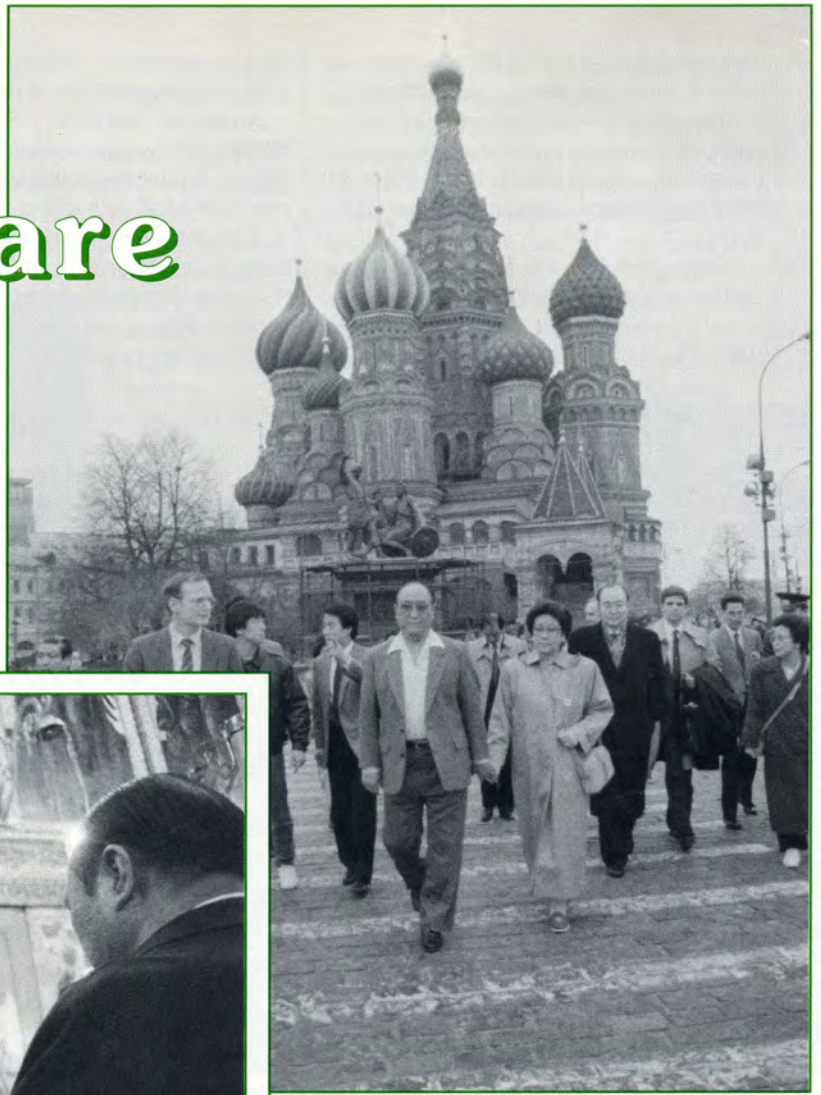
note address several times during the night, and always my attention turned to one paragraph:

"Who is God? God is the vertical True Parents centered on true love. He is intimately close to each of us because He is our vertical parents. When we welcome the perfected human ancestors—perfected Adam and Eve—as True Parents, we create a 90 degree crossing point between the vertical true love of God and the horizontal true love of True Parents. From them, we receive true love, true life and true blood lineage. This creates one world totally resonating with true love."

In my prayer, I felt that through the Moscow speech, these words would become reality. Father's Moscow speech, so direct and so strong, set the condition to "welcome the human ancestors—perfected Adam and Eve—as True Parents" and I felt that it created a "90 degree crossing point between the vertical true love of God and the horizontal true love of True Parents." I felt also that it

Visit to Red Square

On Good Friday, April 13, 1990, Father and Mother, Ye Jin Nim, Hyo Jin Nim and Nan Sook Nim, Hyun Jin Nim and Jun Sook Nim, Dr. and Mrs. Bo Hi Pak, Rev. Chung Hwan Kwak and Peter Kim marched into Red Square. After several photos in front of St. Basil's Church and Lenin's Tomb, their group crossed the bridge and entered the Kremlin. In one corner stands the Russian



Orthodox Church of the Ascension, which True Parents entered and began to pray, thanking God for His guidance and protection that brought the culmination of the worldwide Jacob and Esau reconciliation.

Top: True Parents and entourage visit St. Basil's Church

Middle: Father prays in the Church of the Ascension.

Bottom: True Parents pose for a photo in front of the Kremlin.



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Attending True Parents in Moscow

by Kathleen Burton

A Unification Theological Seminary divinity student, Kathleen Burton is a member of the "Soul of Russia" prayer group and attended the WMC in Moscow.

Each of the staff members at the conference in Moscow had such interesting testimonies of how God prepared the way for them to cultivate their particular talents so they could best serve in this historical event. I would like to begin this reflection with a brief synopsis of how I felt God worked in my life to prepare me for this extraordinary opportunity.

When my daughter was only a year old, I met the Plotnikov family who were Russian Pentecostals from the far east city of Vladivostok. Raisa, the mother, took care of my daughter Nurie for one year and during that time I gradually became interested in the Russian culture and language, as well as the political and religious difficulties in the Soviet Union. I slowly began Russian language studies and my interest remained kindled until my arrival at UTS. In the spring of 1986, the "Soul of Russia" began initially as a small prayer group praying for Russia in the Seminary grotto. Rostislav Cuhel, Erin Bouma and myself were three of the founding members four years ago, and we all attended the Moscow Conference. It is amazing where God's Will can lead. Through weekly prayers, conference attendance, trips to Russian Orthodox monasteries, our annual prayer walk and newsletters, the "Soul of Russia" group at UTS has been preparing and praying for the Moscow Rally. Father began to speak about going to Moscow after the Yankee Stadium Rally in 1976.

The thesis for my senior year of divinity studies is dealing with Religious Ministry in the Soviet Union. As I look back over my years of academic study at UTS, about 90% of my writing has, in some form, dealt with the Soviet Union. Such has been my calling.

"Soul of Russia" was praying on a regular basis every Monday evening for 21 minutes. Forty days before the conference, we began a special prayer and chain fast condition which lasted through the entire conference. This daily prayer connected me in heart and

helped me internally prepare for what was to come.

No concepts

One of the first lessons I learned from my Moscow experience was my own realization of the phrase: "Have no concepts". I would never have believed anyone who told me four years ago that our small prayer group would one day stand in Moscow together. It humbles

True Parents and the True Family at the Oktobraskaya Hotel. Again I had to abandon my own limited concepts of my purpose at the conference which enabled me to unite with this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity given by God.

The age of attendance

Serving the True Family is an intense experience which both elates and terrifies you, internally and externally. I



Attending True Parents at their Oktobraskaya Hotel 12th floor suite are, from left to right, Renee Thompson, Wonju McDevitt, Linda Feher, Mrs. Hong, Mrs. Pak, Kathleen Burton and Sveta Svetova (Russian translator).

me to realize how God has planned and how His vision is so much more immense than our own narrow view.

As plans were readied I learned that I would be working at the participants' Information and Registration Desk. This news made me very happy as I was hoping for the chance to interview one of the Christian Information Center representatives for my thesis. However, our own plans do not always conform to God's Will. In my prayers concerning the conference, the phrase "I came to serve" often repeated itself in my spirit. This was the attitude I wanted to have since I had been given this extraordinary opportunity. Friday, April 6th, my mission changed and I was asked to attend

gained a glimpse of what the East Garden staff must face on a daily basis. I am grateful to be able to empathize, if only in a small way, with their missions, blessings and weighty responsibilities. Overall it was a beautiful harmonizing between Korea, America and Russia at the Oktobraskaya Hotel. The five in-law couples to the True Family were there and I had the chance to work with Mrs. Hong, Mrs. Pak, Mrs. Park, Mrs. Kwak, as well as Mrs. Eu and Mrs. Young Whi Kim. I learned a lot from these exceptional women concerning attendance to the True Family and how to become a total object in service. Through the hard work of these women, the heart of the Korean culture arrived on the 12th floor

of this very ominous hotel. I don't think it will ever be the same again!

The Oktoborskaya Hotel is the high security hotel of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union. Consequently, it has a high fence around it and an intimidating doorman who needed your name on a daily list in order for you to go in or out. Lenin's bust is in the lobby as well as a huge wall mural of Lenin and the Bolsheviks. The atmosphere was one of "A Gilded Cage"—a phrase coined by Larry Moffitt and used by most of the staff to refer to Oktoborskaya. Amongst all this rather intimidating and heavy atmosphere, the 12th floor came to life with the Spirit of God and the True Family! The suites were quite beautiful by Communist standards and True Parents' room had a view of the Kremlin with the colorful domes of St. Basil's and the golden domes of St. Michael's in clear view.

In preparing the table, the dining room, and cleaning up quickly and quietly, I was grateful to have experienced working as a waitress in a French restaurant near the Seminary a few nights a week to help pay for my studies. The intense pressure of serving rather complex haute cuisine to a full restaurant externally prepared me for the intensive internal pressure of doing your utmost to serve the True Family well. Each meal was a harmonizing of Korean and Russian food. The hotel personnel were exceptional in their attitude of service. We made many friendships and worked well together. We were three American sisters called to serve the True Family: Dr. Pak's secretary, Renee Thompson; a Seminary Divinity graduate, Colleen Vallee; the Seminary faculty secretary with Russian language skills; and myself, a Divinity senior at the Seminary. I felt the Seminary connection so strongly; I wanted to have the heart of representing all the brothers and sisters who had participated in the "Soul of Russia" over the four years as well as the whole Seminary community. I had the chance to see President and Mrs. David S. C. Kim at the conference reception and was asked if I had yet had a chance to tell True Parents that I was from the Seminary. One morning I was given that opportunity: While I was preparing the

breakfast table, Father came out of his room and walked out to the balcony to do some stretching. Then he came back and sat right down at the table! I said, "Good Morning, Father" and he asked my name. I replied, "Kathleen Burton, Father. . ." and remembering my promise to Dr. Kim, I quickly added, "... from the Seminary, Father." He half-smiled and repeated my name. For me, it was an intimate moment that I will never forget. It gave me the sense of family the True Family desires us to have and that I have longed for, yet had difficulty attaining. It was often a "way up there" and "way down here" kind of feeling that permeated my thoughts when I contemplated the life of True Family. This brief encounter showed me the harmony of honorable respect for True Father's position with his deep parental heart of love for each of us.

True Family as our family

I received the chance to experience True Family in a very familial atmosphere as well. There was a gathering around the television set on the night of True Father's plenary address, for it was to be broadcast nationwide on the evening news. The True Family, the in-laws, we three American sisters and Andrew Kessler (the American brother fluent in

Father's speech and some of the participants were interviewed. The family atmosphere in the suite was loving and intimate, and True Parents were very happy with the nation and the positive media coverage.

It was interesting to note, speaking of the age of attendance, that the Russian people (although perhaps unbeknownst to them) greeted True Parents' arrival and departure with beautiful firework displays across the sky over Moscow. These were on the eve of Palm and Easter Sundays although I never heard the Communist government's purpose for the celebration. I am sure, however, that the Russian spirit world, after decades of suffering and longing for liberation, wanted to welcome the representatives of the Cosmic Spring in a spectacular way. The sky seemed to ring out the words of the Holy Song:

"Oh, the Lord has come, Oh, the Lord has come. . ."

Meeting God's hope for Russia

In this strange country where nothing works without the black market, where rubles have no exchange rate and hence no set value, where nothing is as it seems and all that is impossible is actually quite possible, the young people of the new generation are truly searching for something better.

They love Americans and they have an unquenchable desire to learn about anything and everything, including God and a life of faith. God sent us the highest quality young people as translators for the conference and the *Novosti* staff were wonderful. Many did not smoke or drink and were so willing to help and to serve far beyond the call of duty. With the little time I had to speak with the young Russians who helped at the conference or who worked at the Oktoborskaya, I could only

marvel at their spirit of cooperation and their thirst for understanding True Parents. This nation and this generation with its suffering foundation, together with True Parents totally victorious Moscow Rally, can offer great hope to the future of God's Kingdom in the Soviet Union. □



Kathleen Burton(left) and Colleen Vallee(right) meet Ulya(center).

Russian) gathered around the TV for the broadcast. True Mother passed around candies as we all waited in anticipation. Finally after what seemed an endless report of Communist Party meetings from various Republics, the story began. True Father was shown during his plenary address and they showed True Mother. We all clapped. True Parents looked so pleased. The newscaster quoted part of

Moscow Reflection

by Dr. Gordon L. Anderson, Secretary General of PWPA

The 11th World Media Conference held in Moscow during April 10 - 13 was a multi-faceted event. Several PWPA presidents from around the world attended the conference and during this time PWPA officially opened an office in the USSR. Dr. Anderson gives the reader some important insights into this historical time.

The Eleventh World Media Conference in Moscow was an event of world historical importance for it symbolized great changes in the Soviet system and a newly developing set of relationships which will shape events well into the 21st century. Most fundamental is the openness of the Soviet Union to new spiritual values and the changing posture of the Soviet Union in world affairs.

While the 11th World Media Conference was the occasion for Father to go to Moscow, a number of other important activities took place at the same time:

- Korean Airlines began flights to Moscow just one week earlier;
- The Little Angels' Folk Ballet was booked for Moscow;
- The World Summit Council and the Association for the Unity of Latin America (AULA), which contained many staunch opponents of Fidel Castro, were warmly received by President Mikhail Gorbachev;
- The Professors World Peace Academy officially opened an office in the USSR;
- Father was personally welcomed by Mr. Gorbachev;
- Finally, and perhaps most significant, was the favorable treatment of Father and the movement by the Soviet television and press;

I will briefly summarize my impressions of each.

World Media Conference

The 11th World Media Conference was the main event. For the last two years the relations between *Novosti Press* in the USSR and the World Media Association have steadily developed. First, came the realization that Father's anti-communism was based on its atheism, not on any hostility toward the Russian people. Father, unlike many other anti-communists, has a desire to help the Russians and all other nationalities within the Soviet Union to achieve peace and prosperity. Under President Gorbachev's policy of glasnost, it be-

came possible to present some of the most favorable news coverage that Father has received anywhere. Father's treatment of his Soviet journalist friends earned him the invitation to hold the 1990 conference in Moscow.

The World Media Conference, as in previous years, had an impressive list of speakers from the media profession. However, the most significant occasion was the opening plenary session because attenders of the World Summit Council and Professors World Peace Academy events were also present to witness Father give a synopsis of his re-

they seek South Korean investments, and they want to learn how the Koreans were able to progress so rapidly. The establishment of a regular Korean Airlines flight and the tour of the Little Angels' Korean Folk Ballet reflect this new curiosity that Russians have about South Korea. It is in the capacity as a representative of Korea, its economy and culture that Father has interested President Gorbachev and other Soviet leaders. The Soviet Union welcomes Korean investment and trade and undoubtedly looks to Father as a future partner in the economic development of the USSR.



At Leningrad State University, Dr. Gordon Anderson (left) and Dr. and Mrs. Morton Kaplan (center), meet with three Russian philosophers.

ligious teaching in Moscow. This was significant because it symbolized both the level to which glasnost has developed and the degree to which his teaching has impacted opinion leaders in the USSR. I am sure that other participants felt, as I did, that we were participating in an historical event.

Soviet interest in S. Korea

It was not, however, only the World Media Conference and the World Summit Council which have gotten the Russians to notice Father. He is Korean. The Russians are fascinated with the level of economic development in South Korea;

There is another side to Father's reception likely to be overlooked by the media. This is his religious message and lifestyle. The Soviets are fully aware that the work ethic has suffered under the centrally planned economic system. They now realize that material prosperity requires the type of personal character and dedication shaped by spiritual values. While spoken in Biblical language that might sound strange to Russian ears, Father's religious teaching is practical in its application.

First, the Unification Movement is ecumenical and has been able to mediate religious quarrels among other religions,

and the Soviet Union has great tension between its religious fundamentalists. Secondly, its teachings attempt to be consistent with "natural law," something which scientifically minded Russians admire, and something to which even Marx and Engels tried to conform, although mistakenly, in the last century. Thirdly, the moral values taught by Father provide hope for strengthening individual conscience, the work ethic, and patriotism of young people. The parents of Russian students would certainly rather see their children practicing these values than falling into decadence, crime, and drugs. In short, Unificationism offers a possible way of opening to the freedom of the Western democracies without having to suffer the worst elements plaguing those democracies.

World Summit Council & AULA

The former heads of state who came to attend the World Summit Council and the AULA meetings bore witness to the extent that Father, particularly through the efforts of Dr. Bo Hi Pak, has been able to provide a unifying and hopeful vision for change in Latin America and other parts of the world. Many of them, who have been opposed to communism themselves, recognized the role the AULA played in bringing them to an historic summit with Mr. Gorbachev where they could personally hear his views on the future of the USSR.

PWPA Highlights

I was particularly heartened by several presidents of the Professors World Peace Academy chapters around the



Dr. Kaplan, left, and Prof. Alexej Kudinov, president of Kalinin State University, sign an agreement to establish a PWPA office at the university.

world who travelled, at their own expense, to attend the World Media Conference in Moscow. While they have not been involved in the World Media Conferences before, these scholars, who have worked with the Professors World Peace Academy for several years, sensed the significance of this Moscow event and wanted to take this opportunity to visit the USSR. Professors from Europe, South Asia, East Asia, West Africa, South Africa, North and South America attended at their own expense or from funds they raised locally, making their own travel and hotel arrangements. Several professors came from Japan and Korea.

There were a number of interesting PWPA meetings during and after the World Media Conference. There was one luncheon where a number of Rus-

sian professors met with the PWPA leaders. During this meeting, Professor Venter from South Africa explained that he was one of the first South Africans to visit the Soviet Union in many years. Diplomatic relations were severed over the issue of apartheid and only recently did changes both in South Africa and the USSR make it possible for visa approval. He praised PWPA for having an international network that made this possible for him; members in the USA arranged his travel and members in Finland arranged his visa through the Soviet Embassy there.

At a dinner meeting hosted by Rev. Chung Hwan Kwak, 35 PWPA members in attendance were able to witness the verbal agreement between Reverend Kwak and Professor Alexander Korneev, Vice-Rector of Kalinin State University, for the establishment of the first PWPA office in the USSR at Kalinin State University. The new Secretary-General, Professor Irena Aksenova, of the Linguistics Department, translated and helped make arrangements for the professors' meetings in the USSR. Later Dr. Morton Kaplan and I went to the university to formally sign the agreement and to speak with their faculty and students.

In addition, each of the professors met with leaders and other scholars in the Soviet Union. Plans for translation of books into Russian, organization of future conferences, and interviews with prospective presidents for the new Russian chapter of PWPA were all part of the exciting business occurring alongside the 11th World Media Conference.

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Dr. Kaplan addresses 35 PWPA professors and Russian scholars at a banquet hosted by Rev. Chung Hwan Kwak on the eve of the World Media Conference.

David Earle, an English brother, joined the church in Scotland in 1977, was in the 8,000 Couple Blessing in Korea in 1982, and came to America in 1984. He and his wife, Patricia, have two daughters and another due in July. David works with Il Hwa in New Jersey.

Introduction: I "received" this poem while working in England as assistant leader of MFT, in April of 1983, exactly seven years prior to Father's arrival in Moscow. After a long conversation about the reality of communism with a home member, I was called down to our church headquarters in London, and as I set off on the three hour drive the poem immediately began to form in my mind.

I saw a clear image of Father as a prisoner in Hung Nam, marched out into the freezing cold night by the communist guards. Even as he stood there shivering, in his mind he was planning his final "assault" on Moscow. The poem then

spans the time from that moment until now. The title, "RELEASE" has the double meaning, as in the fourth line from the end—release of the final arrow at the crucial moment, and release of the "countless millions... crying out in desperation."

When Father went to Moscow this April, I saw the drama of that moment completely in terms of Jacob and Esau embracing, this time on the worldwide/cosmic level, and I could somehow imagine God being right there with all of His historical feelings bound up and intertwined in the intensity of that culminating moment.

R E L E A S E

Somewhere in the frozen night a man stood, and gave a shiver
The third and final arrow lay untouched, waiting in the quiver.
Nervously watching, with bated breath, Fate took up his golden bow.
The last chance to complete a dream started—oh, so long ago!

Two arrows fired already, and both had missed their mark.
Painful determination showed on the man's face as he stood there in the dark.
No turning back for him. No favors did he ask.
Willingly, he undertook this lonely, daunting, superhuman task.

Millions, countless millions, waited—crying out in desperation!
Yearning for the time when someone, anyone, would come to their nation
And bring the spark to light the fire, and they would fan the flame!
Calm and silent, Fate looked on, breathing deep as the moment came

Gladly to take the final arrow, and draw back the bow.
Would that it all was over and victory won. Oh, that it might be so!
But reality beckoned to the man, pointing the way
To silent suffering, tears and persecution—every day.

Inch by hard-won inch he struggled forward, playing his part.
And none could ever hope to fathom the depth of his aching heart.
Fate, one eye closed, peered down the shaft of the final arrow.
Muscles tense, stretching the bow, the target narrow.

Only once would the time be right, and the path prepared.
Only one knew the heavenly plan. Only he dared.
Now, at the appointed hour, Fate thrilled to see the man stand
In the red city, and light the fire which would sweep the land.

Fate released the bow, and the people cried, and the arrow sang,
Flying through the night. And the stars shone, and the heavens rang.
Bloodstained footprints marked the path where the man had trod.
The arrow hummed as it flew, and reached the heart of God.

David Earle (Spring, 1983)

Future Journalists Hosted in America

By Mrs. Betty Lancaster

Reflecting on the past months and all the Korean guests who have come to America for seminars and tours at Father's invitation perhaps one of the most interesting was the Student Media Group.

They were all campus newspaper writers or editors or at least had some affiliation with their campus media. Because they were students of journalism, this group had particular needs and specific expectations.

In Washington, they were enthusiastically hosted at *The Washington Times* building, at the *Insight Magazine* offices,

colors of all kinds. Actually, it made a nice color photo. As we have experienced before, emotions run high among the young and energetic. They were given a whole new world to digest and probably wondered how to fit it all into their everyday life upon their return. These media students were very verbal, asking many questions and expressing their thoughts.

A visit to New York University

One of the outstanding events of their stay in New York was a visit to the New York University campus newspaper,

guests gathered around him— some sitting on desks, some leaning against walls or just standing nearby. There was such excellent give and take following this presentation. The Korean students asked questions such as, "Do your professors write in your paper or only your students?" "Only students" came the answer.

We appreciated being given this opportunity and our guests expressed this to our NYU host. Dr. Dae O. Son, senior leader of this group, a professor and church member of long standing, was so impressed by this particular event for his group. Dr. Son is also Editor-in-Chief of the *Chongyohak Shinmun*, an ac-

As we said good-by, Kyu gave me a hug and we expressed a lot of love. I cherished that moment as being representative of our guests' hearts.

ademic "professor-student dialogue" publication in Korea.

Much to our surprise, the best was not yet over at New York University. As the Korean students boarded the three buses awaiting them outside, Marc Bell ran back to his office and brought out boxes of beautiful university T-shirts, boarded the buses and personally handed one to each guest. He obviously enjoyed this episode as much as our guests.

Media: a business of service

One afternoon was spent touring a major television studio and doing general sightseeing, which of course included the ever popular Statue of Liberty. Touring the offices of the *Segye Times*, our New York City based Korean language daily newspaper, was also enjoyable to the students. They were hosted by *Segye's* president, Mr. Byung Ho Kim. Here they could freely chat and ask



The student journalists tour a major television studio. Mrs. Lancaster is on the far right and Kyu is third from the right.

The World & I building, Atlantic Video, the New World Media Television Center, and many other places of interest to them. They especially loved the beautiful city of Washington, DC. The guests were well-taken care of by Ambassador Sang Kook Han and all his staff members.

The first clue to this being a most "colorful" and lively group, was watching them assemble for a formal group picture following their welcoming dinner in New York. Instead of the usual dark suits and jackets worn by most guests for this occasion, this group wore

Washington Square News, at the invitation of its young editor, Marc Bell. At their offices located at Loeb Student Center, Mr. Bell talked to them in the large lobby of the Center, giving them a general introduction to NYU and to their publication. Afterwards, he ushered them to an upper floor where the paper was actually put together. Marc introduced them to their first American campus newspaper and the procedures that were followed on NYU campus (proudly announcing that they ranked #8 among U.S. university newspapers). This was done so casually, with our 135 Korean

questions in their own language. Of course the *Segye Times* also has major offices in Seoul, with distribution throughout South Korea, allowing the students to see a larger picture of the paper.

Professor Won Ho Chang, who is Chairman of the Advertising Department at the University of Missouri's School of Journalism, was invited to New York to address a portion of this seminar. In his speech entitled, "Some Lessons from American Journalism," Prof. Chang told the Korean students they have much to learn from American journalism.

Another highlight was a morning spent in the auditorium of the News World Building on Fifth Avenue as Ambassador Phillip V. Sanchez, Publisher of *Noticias del Mundo*, gave a presentation to the group. As Amb. Sanchez spoke of the goals and purpose of this particular publication in meeting the needs of the Hispanic population, words of wisdom and guidance were given that could benefit anyone entering the field of journalism. He said a newspaper must gain credibility in order to effect changes in values and attitudes in society; it must be profitable for the sake of the well-being of its employees so that in turn better communities are established; it must provide educational opportunities in the field of journalism through scholarships, seminars, internships, training and so forth. Its scope can even be effective toward world peace through linking and bridging other media. In other words, it must be a business of service to others. Amb. Sanchez praised Father as being the champion of *Noticias del Mundo*, which in turn is the champion of the Hispanic people.

A special friend

My remembrance of this group will always include a young lady named

"Kyu." Kyu always seemed to be in my presence. The first evening I happened to be walking past the telephones when she needed assistance with an out-of-order number. Then, another day, as we were waiting for some groups to finish their TV studio tour, Kyu happened to be in a small group we had invited for refreshments.

We spent the time getting better acquainted. Kyu spoke perfect English—so perfect that I asked her if she had studied in America.

"No," she answered, "but I would like to explain the reason to you later."

"Later" turned out to be one evening after dinner. Kyu found me during a nice quiet moment. She explained when she was just a little girl her father began pulling her from her bed early in the cold mornings and sitting her in front of the television. He had discovered a program that taught the English language. Kyu would sit and quietly listen to the program. So many times she wanted to run back to her warm bed but her father always insisted that she sit and learn. She obediently did as she was told. This went on over a long period of time. Gradually, she realized that she could only perfect her skills by having conversation with an English-speaking person. When she was old enough, she sought out someone. She told me many interesting things that unfolded in her life concerning her second language. Through this sharing, Kyu wanted to make one important point to

me: She felt certain in her mind and heart that everything had occurred for this one particular trip to America. With her special language skill, she was gaining far more than she could ever have dreamed of otherwise. She told me I could not possibly understand the wrong concepts she had about America,



Mr. Marc Bell, the editor of *Washington Square News*, gives an overview of his paper.

the American people, Father and the world outside of Korea. Now she felt liberated and excited in her heart. "You speak about God," she said. "I am not a religious person; I have never thought about God but I will be thinking about many things from this point on."

When the time came to say good-bye to this group, Kyu gave me a big hug and we expressed a lot of love. I cherished that moment as being representative of many of our guests' hearts, young and old, that are enlightened to embrace a new world being ushered in now: a world of true understanding, true peace and most of all, true love. □

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History of the First Years of Our Church in Britain

Out of the first 15 members who have been mentioned here, only 3 are not with us today. Everyone else has been blessed in the Blessings between 1969 and 1982 and have around 30 Blessed children between them ranging in age from 20 to 1 year old.

During those early days, we felt such

love for the people and such a burning desire to bring them home to God's heart. Our center was our home and we were a family. We fought sometimes, but we loved each other and still do. Above all, we respected each other because we felt that God had handpicked each person who joined because of the indemnity paid through their respective lineages. When people came to hear the Divine Principle at our centers they really felt God's presence there. Even now when we meet another original mem-

ber, there is automatically such a strong bond of love between us, as in a real family.

Now we have advanced from the individual level to the family and national levels in God's dispensation. Whether we live in centers, home or in a small flat, let's continue to give God's love and truth to everyone who can receive it. Let's love each other as a real family. People are always drawn to where there is love, especially God's love. □

History of the First Years of Our Church in Britain

by Patricia H. Hartley

Note: I would like to express my sincere and heartfelt thanks to my dear sister Marion Porter, who helped me put this history together and to my beloved husband, who spent so many precious hours typing the several attempts I made to put this into some sort of readable form. I have tried to portray the spirit of the first four years of the early history of restoration in Britain. I'm sure that others would like to take up the story for the 20 years which have subsequently passed since then.

As in the history of every country, there was a big struggle in Great Britain to lay a foundation for God to begin His work of restoration. I feel such a strong desire at this time to share with you something of the spirit of these early years and the precious ways in which God worked. Center diaries were kept in 1968 and 1969, which accurately recorded the day to day activities of how we lived in those days. I was privileged to have been one of the sisters who was responsible to keep the diary for several months during that period of time. How important it is now and will be in the future, to preserve the history of God's guidance to establish a foundation in England for our True Parents and the vital work of restoration.

Rev. David S.C. Kim, now in Barrytown in the U.S., spent over a year at Swansea University in Wales from 1954. Later in 1965, Dr. Young Oon Kim, fondly known at the time as Miss Kim, went to London, England. She made great efforts to contact several spiritual groups but these people were, unfortunately, narrow-minded. For example, they regarded their vegetarian way of life so highly that they found it difficult to even listen to the teachings of a man who ate meat! After a period of 80 days in England, Miss Kim returned to America where she continued her valuable work. In 1965, True Father himself visited London during his worldwide tour to bless Holy Grounds. Miss Kim accompanied him and wanted Father to bless the place which had been her favorite place of prayer by the famous Peter Pan statue in Kensington Gardens. However, Father chose a large Plane Tree nearby, which had been severely damaged by people who had

carved their names into its bark. The ceremony was held on July 15, 1965, to establish the first Holy Ground in England.

First members join

In 1965, Miss Kim sent Sandi Pinkerton from the United States to make another attempt to begin the mission in England. Sandi had been trained by Miss Kim for several years before. In London she did her best to bring people to God. She tried to give out a lot of love to everyone. Sandi found a center in the middle of London and after several months, was joined by June Darby from South Africa. June had just heard a brief summary of the Divine Principle from Doris (Walder) Orme, while on holiday in Rome. At that time she was teaching at

a school in the South of England. As soon as she returned to England, June looked for a teaching post in London, so that she could join Sandi at the center at 17 Emperor's Gate near Gloucester Road. She began teaching at a school in London's East End, a well-known rough area. This became her first challenge and she only survived because of her love for God and True Parents and because of her understanding of the Divine Principle.

It was amazing to see how things began to develop. June met an old friend in London on the same coach bound for Scotland. June and Evelyn Hardman had been at the same university in Durban, South Africa. In February 1967, Eve became the first person in Britain to be witnessed to and to join the "Unified Family", as the church was called in those days.

Eve was studying Speech Therapy in London when she met the Family. At the age of 22, Eve was a very independent and intellectual girl to whom center life was quite a challenge. I am Eve's younger sister Patricia (Hardman) Hartley. I accepted True Parents and the Divine Principle in May 1967 and moved to the center, which was a small rented basement flat, two months later. I was training at that time to be a nurse at a hospital in Ascot, Berkshire.

In September, 1967 Miss Kim, who was responsible for Europe at that time, visited and stayed with us in our humble center. She gave out so much love and inspiration to us which was very much appreciated and needed, as we were all so spiritually young and green. Unfortunately Sandi left shortly after Miss Kim's visit. This left three inexperienced sisters who were not yet able to teach the Divine Principle.



Patricia as a nurse in 1967, just before joining the church.

Marion (Dougherty) Porter, originally from the U.S., but who had joined our church in 1965 while living in Italy, was sent over in October to London as our Divine Principle teacher. Miss Kim returned to England later that month and elected her to direct the teaching training in the center. She also elected June as the center representative. Marion was a very enthusiastic and energetic person with a loving and caring heart.

Desperation to witness

One day I was witnessing with Marion. We had made a condition to witness to three people a day and at the end of the second week, no one had come to the center and we were feeling quite desperate. It was late at night and we were tired and a bit despondent, so we went into a Wimpey Snack Bar to have a cup of coffee. We sat down at a table opposite two young men. Peter was from

January 1, 1968 was the very first "God's Day" and we all felt so deeply privileged to be a part of it. We really felt that we five people were responsible to bring back millions of British people to God's lonely heart. Later that month, June Darby, Marion Dougherty, Evelyn Hardman and myself made the HSA-UWC a legal charitable organization. It was to be an educational charity with the purpose of educating people in Christian principles and higher values.

Witnessing was such a joy and every evening someone was listening to God's truth, hearing about the Principle of Creation or what happened in 1960. Sometimes we felt so inspired that we could have happily shouted out from the highest roof tops in London that Christ was on earth. "True Parents are here!" We had so much power and energy in those days that we needed very little sleep.

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Australia and talked a lot and Bob Duffey was from Canada. Marion started to witness to Bob, and I talked with Peter. Soon afterwards Bob had to leave because the doors of the hostel at which he was staying were locking at midnight, but he promised to meet us again. Peter escorted us home across the busy Cromwell Road. We had nearly reached the other side of the road, when a drunken driver sped round the corner from a side street and almost hit us. Peter grabbed Marion and me and pulled us onto the pavement, literally saving our lives.

The next day Bob came to the center. He was only 19 years old and was globe trotting at the time. This, of course, came to a sudden end when he understood the deep significance of the Divine Principle.

In December 1967, Bob had the courage to join four sisters in a humble center where we hardly had enough money to eat. It was wonderful at last to have some musical accompaniment to our singing. Bob naturally became the center guitarist. We all managed to get jobs and witnessed at every possible moment.

On December 31, 1967, four sisters and one brother sang and prayed the new year in with all of our hearts. Jan-

Our daily schedule was as follows and we kept it strictly:

5:30—Get up, wash and dress;
6:00—teaching practice;
7:30—breakfast;
8:00—prepare and leave for work;
18:00—return from work and prepare supper;
18:30—supper and discussion;
19:30—guests arrived to hear Divine Principle.

Bringing home His lost children

While some members were teaching or supporting, others visited some of the many societies, folk clubs and activities in London. We always expected to find at least one prepared person, if not more, everywhere we went. This was our natural way of thinking. God was bringing home His lost children and we, His instruments, just had to find them.

By 11 p.m., those who had gone out witnessing returned to the center and our guests would go home, looking forward to returning as soon as possible, to hear more of the Divine Principle. The five of us would eagerly discuss the progress of each potential spiritual child and after praying together, it was sometimes three a.m. before we got to bed. Those days were so exciting—we just loved the people.

Bob met Christopher Davies at a

London Folk Club in early 1968. I must say that he looked quite formidable in those days with a shock of red hair and a great big red beard, like a lion. As the Truth of the Divine Principle seeped into his original heart and mind, he felt a change within himself which naturally resulted in what we used to call "Chapter 13". There were 12 chapters in the Divine Principle book in those days and Chapter 13 was the first attempt to apply Divine Principle. This meant short hair and a shaven face for men and no mini-skirts and less or no make-up for women.

It soon became apparent that a bigger center was needed. We eventually found a flat in Earl's Court and moved in on March 30, 1968. Chris helped us move and has been a good and trusty member ever since. He was a qualified Chartered Accountant and his musical talent became a great asset to center life and also to public witnessing. Chris has written dozens of songs which are known to thousands of members throughout the world.

Early in 1968 Marion invited Doris Walder to come and speak to the nine members in Britain. At that time Doris was helping Teddy Verheyen in Holland. Doris and Teddy had previously worked together under Miss Kim in the United States. After consulting with Miss Kim, it was decided that Doris should visit the members in London and also specifically contact Anthony Brooke, who knew about the True Parents and had studied the Divine Principle under Miss Kim's guidance. Anthony Brooke, was well-known among spiritual groups. Doris arrived on March 31, 1968 and four weeks later she and June went to visit Anthony Brooke's secretary, Monica Parish. Subsequently, Anthony Brooke organized a speaking tour for Doris. The following week Doris and June visited a spiritual group in Cheltenham, Gloucestershire. In May, Doris and Marion visited the Findhorn Community in Scotland. This group had had revelations about the Second Coming and knew about Father in Korea. They had a special relationship to Nature. However, when they heard Doris speak about the Divine Principle, they turned hostile. Only one man listened and felt that these two women had something to say. Dennis Orme followed Doris and Marion back to London to hear the Divine Principle in depth. Dennis joined the following month in June. He had been searching for truth for several

years.

Dennis' indemnity course began when he realized that he would have to live in a large crowded city to find God's lost children. He loved the peace and beauty of nature and Doris and Marion had met him in a beautiful part of Scotland. After returning from Scotland on completion of her speaking tour, Doris consulted with Miss Kim and it was decided that she would assume the central role for our church in Britain.

Larger accommodations

At the beginning of 1968, June had helped me to secure a job as a typist at

case of one person being sacrificed for another, as is predicted in Matthew 24:40-41: "Then two men will be in the field; one is taken and one is left. Two women will be grinding at the mill; one is taken and one left."

We had only been in the new flat for a couple of months, when it became necessary to find larger accommodations. There were so many of us living in the flat and people who lived in the flats above us started giving us strange looks. Several people who had heard Divine Principle wanted to come and live with us to experience center life, but could not because of a lack of space. We eventually found a house to rent for two

London. This was an organization which invited people from all walks of life to give talks to an audience. Alec collected the money for them at the door. God had had His eye on Alec for a long time but we hadn't realized it. In fact we had deliberately avoided him, thinking that he would object to us witnessing to other people there. We always attended talks on spiritual subjects. Alec observed this and one day he came over to where we were sitting and asked us what we were doing. We told him and soon afterwards Alec began to hear Divine Principle. Before starting to teach in the evenings we used to sit in a circle and sing a few songs. We noticed that Alec was always late and would arrive when the singing had stopped. One day we politely asked him why he was always late and he sheepishly replied that he didn't like the singing so much and so he would ride around the block on his bicycle until the singing had stopped. We laughed a lot but it made us realize that not everyone liked to sing as much as we did. Alec finally joined us after knowing the Family for a year.

Carol Bartholomew was from the West Indies and was then working in London as a social worker when she was met by June. It's always amazing how God works. June changed jobs and did social work for only one month. God had sent her just to meet Carol. Carol is famous in our church for the calypso she wrote "Come back Adam, come back Eve, wipe the tears from His eyes." Personally I could overcome so much of my South African upbringing through Carol, to whom I am deeply grateful.

Each person is so precious

Witnessing continued with great vigor. I remember that we all felt quite ashamed of ourselves if less than 20 people were taught Divine Principle per week. It took me a year to find my first spiritual child. One day Ian and I attended a service at St. Martins-in-the-Fields Church near Trafalgar Square. After the service, we joined a procession of people who took a petition concerning human rights to No. 10 Downing Street. When the document had been officially handed over, I really felt a burning desire to witness to someone. The people seemed to be so good. I just prayed strongly inwardly, "Father who shall I speak to?"

I looked at the crowd and then felt a tremendous pull towards two young



Father speaks to members during his visit in 1969, with Miss Young Oon Kim seated to his right and Mrs. Won Pok Choi to his left.

the South African Embassy in Trafalgar Square. It was there that I met a young South African girl, Cynthia Buchanan. Cynthia helped us clean the new center at Earl's Court and joined us on the day we moved in. Cynthia witnessed to another fellow typist and shortly afterwards Dawn (Golding) Jouret also joined us. Both girls had been born in South Africa and had grown up in a society where black servants did all the menial tasks for the white people. With this background and also not really understanding enough about the law of indemnity, Cynthia only stayed with us for a few months. Dawn, on the other hand, coming from a similar background, understood Divine Principle more clearly. Although she had her struggles, as we all did, Dawn stayed and became a valuable member of God's growing family and is still with us today. It was really a

years. On the July 1, 1968, we moved into a beautiful 7-bedroom house on Streatham Common in Southwest London.

When we moved to the Streatham center, 3 people joined us, making 13 center members. Ian Alexander was a soldier and had been met at Charing Cross Underground station in London while we were still at the first center. Ian heard most of the Divine Principle from June in the kitchen. He liked the atmosphere in the center so much and it was always a struggle for him to leave at night, to return to his military barracks. Sometimes, when we had said good-bye and closed the front door, he would continue speaking through the letterbox flap. Some years later Ian became our first printer.

Alec Herzer was a cartographer whom we met at the "59 Society" in

girls. From where I was standing I could only see the backs of their heads. They started to leave and I just said to Ian, "Come!" We literally ran down the street and with a voice out of breath, I stopped them and excitedly told them about our Family and how we were teaching new ideas about life. Immediately I got the Cain/Abel reaction from the two girls. Barbara (Cottle) Zaccarelli responded so naturally and was obviously interested. Her friend, on the other hand, was skeptical, so I had to work hard to win her heart and trust. Barbara started to listen to Divine Principle lectures. After she had heard about the "Fall of Man" I warned her that Satan would try to do everything to stop her from coming to hear more, because this truth was so precious. The next time she was due to hear Chapter 3, she arrived one hour late. She told me how a bus hadn't stopped for her and then how the subway had stopped in a tunnel for a long time, and so on. She had almost

up another couple of centimeters and saying slowly and deliberately with a perfect Oxford English accent, "As for you sir, I will deal with you later." This always had a magical effect and quickly silenced the hecklers. Neil came from an "I Ching" group who were concerned about the development of mind and body. Later he helped Dr. Young Oon Kim with her book in Washington, DC.

Four people joined the Unified Family in four months from August to November 1968. Ian met a young man, Nicholas Hillman, who was an organ tuner. Nick was good at everything he put his hands to and soon became the Family "fix-it man". Nothing short of perfection was good enough for Nick. He was very talented.

The last person to join us in that memorial year of 1968 was Hazel (Ifill) Barlow, from the West Indies. Hazel and her mother, Pearl, had been listening to the Divine Principle regularly at a house in Surrey where a middle-aged couple

goodness. I felt afraid of Father at first and tried to hide myself behind a tall brother. Despite my efforts, Father saw me and shook my hand firmly and in that instant the fear and confusion left me. I felt so strongly that he really was my True Father.

On the first evening our True Parents were in London, Doris had invited some spiritualists to meet them and to hear Father speak. There was even an Indian guru among the guests. When Father came into the room he said to the guests, "I have two eyes, two ears, a nose and a mouth" and then grinned at us from ear to ear. Everyone laughed and immediately the rather tense atmosphere became more relaxed. Father is the expert in making people feel "at home". He spoke until the early hours of the morning in his usual dynamic way.

On the following evening he spoke to the Family in depth and on the third evening Father, Mother, Mrs. Choi, President Eu, Miss Kim and Mr. Kuboki sang to us and then we sang individually and also by nation for them. It was such a beautiful time together that we hoped would never end. Mother was pregnant with Hyun Jin Nim, their third son, at the time and it was wonderful to watch Father whispering tenderly in her ear from time to time. Something else that struck my heart very deeply was Father's continual awareness and concern for each person. President Eu was responsible for recording True Parents' whole trip in 1969. President Eu was always in such pain because of a severe problem with his hip. One time Father was speaking to us and as Mrs. Choi translated, Father turned and looked at President Eu with such an expression of concern and compassion on his face. One second before this, President Eu had moved in his chair and for a fleeting moment his face had creased up with pain. Everything happened so quickly, but the depth of heart which Father expressed in that moment, could only have come from God's true son.

During those three precious days when our True Parents were with us, Father interviewed several people who were candidates for the forthcoming Blessing. A few days later 8 European couples were blessed in Essen, Germany. They are part of the 43 couple Blessing. Dennis and Doris Orme were the only candidates from Britain to be blessed at that time.

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We respected each other because we felt that God had handpicked each person who joined because of the indemnity paid through their respective lineages.

given up trying to get to the center, but then she had remembered my warning. You can imagine how happy I was to see her again.

Marion taught Barbara the conclusion of the Divine Principle on the day on which we moved to the Streatham center. They found a quiet room amidst all of the hustle and bustle of footsteps continually going to and fro with boxes and suitcases. Barbara accepted our True Parents immediately and moved into the center about a month later. She was training at the time to become a school teacher.

We spoke regularly at the famous "Speakers Corner" in London. For a year we made a condition to speak there every Sunday come wind, rain, snow or sunshine. It was good experience for all of us and we learned to overcome our shyness and inhibitions by standing in front of a lot of people and also having to deal with atheistic and communistic hecklers. One brother who joined us in the summer of 1968, Neil Winterbottom, was very good at sorting out anyone who tried to disrupt the speaker. It was highly amusing to see this tall, slim brother pulling himself

opened their doors for the Divine Principle to be taught in their home. Hazel was an infant teacher and was also very clever with her hands. When I think of the early members, I can see that we really were a mixture of heart, intellect and will!

We meet True Parents

In August 1968, June went over to Holland to support the members there. A few days later Neil went to the U.S. to help Miss Kim with her book. In October, Eve went to Holland and Marion went to Ireland to pioneer Belfast.

In January 1969, Doris sent me to Italy to support Martin Porter. After only two months we returned to London to meet our True Parents. For most of us, it was our first time to meet them. The British, Italian, and Dutch families who gathered in London numbered about 40 people. Many of us went to the airport to meet our True Parents. When they finally came through the gate, we were so happy and amazed to see their smiling faces. True Father shook everyone's hand in turn. I can remember feeling very shy and sinful before our True Parents' absolute standard of love and

I clearly envision a moral and economic renaissance for the Soviet Union that will dramatically affect the entire world. I will do all I can to encourage and support that renaissance. You are undertaking a new Soviet revolution, but this should be a revolution of the heart and soul. I believe the Soviet Union will play a key role in God's plan to build a world of lasting true peace.

Rev. Sun Myung Moon
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