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# Celebrating True Parents' Birthday and the Fifth Anniversary of Foundation Day Let us take the path of hyo jeong through the spirit and the truth!

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**T** rue Parents' birthday was a day longed for by Heaven and wished for by humankind. It is a historic day when we look at the past, a great day in this age when we look at the present and a day our descendants must celebrate long into the future.

In the Book of Mathew, Chapter 16, Jesus asks, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?..." Simon Peter answers, "You are the Messiah, the son of the living God." To this, Jesus replied to Simon Peter "Blessed are you! For this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven." When we are asked this same question about True Parents, at that moment in what way will we proclaim our faith?


True Father, the only son of God, the returning Lord, and True Mother, the only daughter of God and the substantial Holy Spirit, became the True Parents of humankind through their Holy Wedding in 1960. True Parents, as the substantial embodiment of Heavenly Parent's true love, true life and true lineage, are the hope of humankind and of those to come in the future. They are the ones who have completed the mission of the Returning Lord, the Savior and the Messiah, the true emperor of Cheon Il Guk with holiness and virtue, and the emperor of absolute victory over the whole.

True Parents have restored through indemnity, both spiritually and physically, humankind's eternal history, have elicited Satan's substantial submission and have led the heart-based cultural revolution, with the heart being a heart of filial love, which is the original nature of creation. True Parents victoriously concluded the twelve-year providential course, beginning with the Coronation for the Kingship of God, to build Cheon Il Guk. On this basis, True Parents proclaimed the Foundation Day of Cheon Il Guk on 1.13 by the heavenly calendar (February 22, 2013).

Foundation Day is the beginning and the founding day of the substantial Cheon Il Guk. When we look at this providentially, it is a cosmic day of celebration, which we have welcomed after six thousand years! A new heaven and new earth have emerged, and a new day has arrived! Heaven has blessed us with this great day of blessing and grace and has embraced us once again, though we are lacking, within an even wider embrace.

On the foundation of True Parents' having victoriously completed their portion of responsibility, Foundation Day was declared, yet the settlement of Cheon Il Guk when blessed families and all humankind achieved rebirth as citizens of Cheon Il Guk was not realized. Therefore, True Father, dwelling in the spirit world and True Mother, dwelling on earth have made the new declaration of Vision 2020 and declared we should carry out a seven-year course during the time after the Foundation Day of Cheon Il Guk until 2020.

After True Father's seonghwa, True Mother offered three years of devoted mourning and attended Heavenly Parent and True Father. Through this, she established hyo jeong as the path humankind must take and the standard of a perfected heart. Meanwhile, centered on HJ Cheonwon, True Parents are creating a model kingdom of heaven on earth and Africa Summit 2018 in Senegal has become the model for national restoration.

In 2020, we will celebrate a hundred years since True Father's birth, True Mother's seventy-seventh birthday and the sixtieth anniversary of True Parents' Holy Wedding. Until then, we must substantially inherit True Parents' victorious life courses and realize the settlement of Heavenly Parent's nation and their righteousness. Until the last day of our lives, we pledge and make the firm determination again to fully advance toward our holy mission, the substantial settlement of Cheon Il Guk and national restoration. Let us walk up the path of hyo jeong through the spirit and the truth! 

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# Unite with True Parents to Complete Your Heavenly Tribal Messiah Mission

*True Mother delivered this address on February 21 (1.6 on the heavenly calendar) at the 7 AM Pledge Service at Cheon Jeong Gung.*

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Church elders and major leaders at Pledge Service on True Parents' Birthday

**W**e are living in a new age. You must properly know God. When you do so, you will be able to attend God in your family, your nation, and the world. When God created heaven and earth, God created the world in his form, in his image. God created plus and minus in the mineral kingdom, stamen and pistil in the plant kingdom, male and female in the animal kingdom, and finally, God created a man and a woman that would become the first ancestors of humankind. The Bible refers to them as Adam and Eve. Unlike the world of all created things, God gave humans a growth period during which they could fulfill their responsibilities.

God created the heavens and the Earth. When we think of God, we think of someone in a high place, a dignified being who would not deign to lower his head to look down at the fallen human race. That is how God has been depicted. Yet the Bible says, "God is love." When we face all created things, the lovelier something is, the more beautiful and ecstatic we feel. When we look at it, we experience a heart of feeling united through joy.


When we look at the world of all things, and look at the human world, we must realize God, the Creator, was not only the masculine subject, but that living things could be born

because there was a Heavenly Father and a Heavenly Mother. You must know this clearly. Yet until now, religious people have only looked at one side. The completion of religion, the completion of humankind cannot come to be through one side. If you do not welcome the mother of the universe, True Mother, the only daughter of God, no salvation can come for humankind. We must take the path of knowing God's essence clearly and becoming one with God. Then the problems arising from race, religion, etc.—these problems will no longer be problems.

We must unite with the victorious True Parents who are the substantial embodiment of Heavenly Parent. When you are reborn through the True Parents, you can appear in Heavenly Parent's presence. Each of you has your own responsibilities. You must first fulfill your responsibilities as heavenly tribal messiahs. I am telling you who live during this amazing providential age that you cannot keep this as yours alone. All 7.5 billion people of the world must know of Heavenly Parent's existence and know what Heavenly Parent's dream is. Therefore, through believing in, attending and following the victorious True Parents, you qualify as a true child who can stand in God's presence. At a time when you receive Heaven's blessings, should all

humankind go to the spirit world without knowing, hearing about or living that kind of life or not?

Now what is there for you to fear? The path for religions, governments, and all entities to unite is through welcoming the mother of the universe, True Parents, the only daughter of God. All living things that live on earth wish to take that path.

For a long time, fallen humankind has been destroying this beautiful world. Therefore, as the mother of the universe, as the True Parents, I cannot ignore our descendants' future. It is my responsibility and yours to make right every wrong. We have welcomed the new year, 2018, the year of the golden dog, centered on the resolutions you have made. We must be victorious at an even higher level. 



# Find the Original Motivation of Your Parents’ Faith

*This is an excerpt of True Mother’s message to second-generation-member scientists at the Jamshil Hotel in Seoul during the twenty-fourth International Conference on the Unity of the Sciences on February 23.*





Above: The 24<sup>th</sup> International Conference on the Unity of the Sciences, Scientific Solutions to the Earth's Environmental Challenges took place February 23–24 in Seoul. Nearly sixty people participated in the conference, which featured presentations on risks to the environment and conceivable solutions for problems related to climate change, energy supply, environmental toxins and wastes. Below: True Mother meeting with young member scientist to whom she gave this speech.

After Father's Seonghwa, you know the first thing I did, don't you? I created the Wonmo Scholarship system for the cultivation of our future generations. I sold the helicopter True Father rode in to use the proceeds as seed money. Since then, each year we have provided more than ten billion won in scholarships [to recipients] in Korea, Japan, and throughout the world. To Sun Moon University, hundreds of students have come and they are all studying thanks to the scholarships I am providing.

If you ask why I am doing this, it is because you must take responsibility for the future. I said this earlier too but unlike other things in God's creation, human beings did not fulfill their responsibilities and created this fallen world. This world is not what

God willed. Today, the things that are occurring throughout the world are things that should not happen.

You who know God's will. Moreover, through True Parents' blessing, you were born as second-generation members; you must make the beautiful kingdom of heaven on earth that God originally created. In order to do that, you must solve all the problems that are occurring throughout the world now. You must know the essence.

As you are researching, bear in mind that until now, scientists have created many problems. Earlier, you said you are studying atomic science. The world is trying to use that power to raise large and small nations. That is why we cannot unite. Japan also had a dream of conquering the world so they harassed many nations in Asia. At the end of WWII, Hiroshima

was hit by an atomic bomb that resulted in Japan's surrender. Through that, Japan came to its senses but the damage caused by that was very great.

What is important for you is that in regard to spiritual problems, you have to find the original motivation of your parents' faith. You must liberate your ancestors. Until now, for six thousand years, humankind's many ancestors have gone to the spirit world. They are uncomfortable. They cannot find their place. This is because they are spirits who went to the spirit world before True Parents' manifestation. For them to be liberated through you is important. They will become good spirits in the spirit world and come down to help you on earth.

Numerous great people that have gone [to the spirit world] throughout the years until now will be able to help you in the work you do. If your spiritual eyes are open and if the spirit world helps you, it is possible to get help with what you are researching. Do you understand? Therefore, knowledge is also important but the internal aspects, the resurrection of the spirit—that is how we are different. You must show the world this. Do you understand? On that point, you must offer more jeongseong. Do you know the meaning of jeongseong [sincere devotions]? You can do that well, right? ㄸ



# Grow Beautifully

*This is an excerpt from True Mother’s message to Hyo Jeong Global Peace Foundation Scholarship recipients on February 24, at the Cheongshim International Youth Center.*

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**D**id you miss me a lot? I just came from participating in the twenty-fourth International Conference on the Unity of the Sciences. For twenty-two years, ICUS led with the theme of Absolute Values. Last year, after seventeen years, we revived ICUS.

Until now, all people have striven to live good lives in accordance with their original natures, yet the environment could not keep up with them, and because they did not stand at the center, their selfishness and their individual greed took the forefront and that phenomenon made today as it is.

Especially when we look at the history of human civilization, it is true that scientific developments have provided us, in the present, with a bountiful and comfortable life. Yet, what I am saying here today is that all humankind, especially scientists must know God. We must know the essence of God, the Creator, who is the owner of the universe, and we must know what his dream was. That humankind has emerged incorrectly until now is the truth.


Heaven gave us poison. There are poisonous snakes and there are plants with poison. Yet Heaven also gave us substances that can counteract the poison. What this means is that God's principles of creation, from when he created the universe, can be

perpetuated eternally. It can exist forever! The world of all created things, which did not fall, has good circulation according to the principles of creation. However, it is true that in this beautiful world, nature, is being destroyed through human ignorance. When I saw the news, it said that the concentration of fine dust is serious today. Fine dust! Especially Korea, due to the yellow dust and the fine dust that comes to Korea, has a higher concentration. It is not enough for just one country to do well. To move in a direction to overcome these problems cooperation is needed.

#### **We must face problems**

Therefore, not long ago, I warned China in this way. "You are spending a great amount of money on the military. With that money your nation could turn the Gobi desert into beautiful land, even if you only invest a third of it, that is possible." That was what I said. They only need to make effort but they do not think of the future. The phenomenon of only looking right in front of themselves is occurring in all governments of all nations and is because of the greed to put their own nation's benefit first. Thus, because I know God, I told the scientists, "I am the mother of the universe! Therefore, I cannot tolerate these phenomena. I

told them no matter what I have to make this right. I am saying that in order to do this I hope for all of your cooperation." Did I do well?

Also, I spoke to scientists in our second-generation. I saw that they have grown beautifully. They give hope for our future. I ask that you dream expansively, so that the world God originally created, a healthy planet with a bright future for humankind, a world of freedom, equality, peace, and happiness, and a world of one human family centered on God, can begin. I ask that you grow beautifully and healthily so that through your studies and your efforts you will develop more brilliant ideas and become more brilliant than those scientists. Through your pure selves, become people who can give hope to this world today. 



# Let Us Make the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth Together

*This is True Mother's message to Japanese Top Guns, which she gave on February 24.*

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**B**ecause of the heat of your energy, I have to take off a layer of clothes. Yesterday was the Rally for the March Forward of the Family Federation for a Heavenly Korea. At that time, five thousand CARP members danced, but you are better. How can your pronunciation be so good? Thank you for growing up well, and thank you for participating in the workshop well. You are the future of the Family Federation for a Heavenly Japan. You are the ones, with great grades, who can become leaders not only in Japan but throughout the world.

Yesterday I spoke at ICUS. They were curious about what kind of person, with what kind of purpose, is doing this work, which no one else has been able to do. They were curious. So I told them the being you must research and know and attend from now on is Heavenly Parent. When looking at human civilization, the present times and our lives have become very comfortable through the development of science. That is something we can see with our eyes.

On the other hand, through the development of science, we are also suffering unexpected damage. Right now, nations, North Korea among them, are saying they must have nuclear weapons in order for their nation to survive. Why do they need that? All they need to do is change

their way of thinking. They all have greed, selfishness and are self-promoting, saying, "I am first, only I have to live well." That kind of thinking has been prevalent in fallen history.

The rise and fall! Among large and smaller nations, just when you thought one was on the rise, it would begin to fall. All people would still speak of peace as this happened. Therefore, all throughout the world, there are many religious people and globally four great religions are governing the people of today. Yet they do not know the conclusion well. They do not know where they must go. Human beings are not born because they wish to be. They are created because there is an absolute being, the owner of the universe. The Creator has a dream. That dream is to embrace all humankind in one embrace through the love of a parent.


In summary, the world today has lost their parent. If they do not find their parent, if they do not attend their parent, the world today cannot realize peace. When looking at the future, we cannot see hope either. The future seems hopeless. However you may be thinking, as long as I live well today, I do not care about tomorrow. Yet centered on Heavenly Parent, the absolute being, there is no first or second act. The eternal Heavenly Parent wishes that every-

① A male and female Top Gun presents flowers to True Parents

② Mother complimented these Japanese young people on their pronunciation of the lyrics of a Korean song they sang and danced for her.

③ A photograph taken at the end of their workshop

thing he created, including his sons and daughters, will last eternally. We call God, the Creator, our Heavenly Parent. Your reply is a bit slow. [Laughs] I said that your pronunciation was good earlier but you must be able to use True Parents' language in order to say you are true children. True children, humankind, must attend Heavenly Parent and on the path of being able to stand in Heaven's presence, you must receive the blessing and be reborn. This is the revival and rebirth. You are born anew through the True Parents as people with no connection to Satan and no connection to the Fall. Therefore, you are in the position in which you can become filial sons or daughters in God's presence. Aju! Aju!

I feel great. I have spoken in Japan and in many places around the world. Now I have said that I will reveal the truths of history. I said I am the mother of the universe, the only daughter of God; let us make the kingdom of heaven on earth together. That is what I said during the Wonmo Scholarship Awards Ceremony. 

# Where Do You Stand?

*This is an excerpt of True Mother's message on the fifth anniversary of Foundation Day on February 28, which she delivered at the Cheongpyeong Training Center.*





The fifth anniversary of Foundation Day was celebrated at the Cheongpyeong Training Center; The many flowers had been sent by organizations and companies.


**B**eloved global members and blessed families of the Family Federation, today as we welcome the fifth anniversary of Foundation Day, where do you stand? Heavenly Parent, the Creator, created all things in his image and then created Adam and Eve, a man and woman, who could have become the first good ancestors of humankind. In particular, he gave them a growth period so they could achieve absolute oneness with Heavenly Parent and through absolute faith, absolute love and absolute obedience they could attain perfection and be together with Heavenly Parent. This was Heavenly Parent's, the Creator's, dream. Yet what occurred? Adam and Eve fell to a position of not fulfilling their responsibilities and made a fallen world, with no connection to God.

However, God could not just stand back and watch fallen humankind so he began to lead the providence of restoration through indemnity. God selected the Israelites as the chosen people and began a course of restoration through indemnity to gain a foundation at the individual, family, tribe and national levels. You must know how difficult that process must have been and how ignorant humankind must have been that Heaven had to go through that painful and bitter history of the providence for four thousand years....

#### Be like sunflowers

The six thousand year history of the providence of restoration through indemnity! Though they fell, human beings' original nature has pursued goodness. Ultimately, they had the desire to become sons or daughters of Heavenly Parent, the absolute God. Heavenly Parent also had the dream of embracing his children. Though we are inadequate, you have to become people who can receive the efforts and love that Heaven has prepared for our sakes. Therefore, I said this: You should go back to the beginning and through the Holy Spirit and the truth, unite with True Parents like sunflowers aligning themselves toward the sun and fulfill your tribal messiah mission with an aligned mind and body. Your mission does not end with completing your tribal Messiah work. If 430 couples all become tribal messiahs, the foundation will go beyond a nation and unite the world. This is your responsibility as those who have united with True

Mother, who is in charge of the providence on earth. So I ask, where do you stand at this point? Where do you stand?

If there are any brothers or sisters still with a New Testament mindset, you must wake them up. The providence is moving on. The providence does not wait for you. I am building the Cheonbowon [a genealogy center] so that the dedication and the records of your life on earth with True Parents can be recorded in perpetuity. It is now the sixth year of Cheon Il Guk, and if you still have swaying forces around you, you will have to sort it out. You have a long way to go. Do you understand? Will you do that? If you follow today's resolution, in this commemorative ceremony of the foundation day of Cheon Il Guk, Heavenly Parent and True Parents will be with you and will bless you eternally with love and grace. I pray that you will mobilize everything and become victorious Cheon Il Guk citizens and heavenly children. 



# You Must Be Remembered


*This is an excerpt of True Mother’s speech at the Victory Celebration on March 1 at Cheon Jeong Gung.*





**D**id you enjoy the energetic yut games yesterday? Even there, we can learn, right? Harmony, didn't the Harmony Team win? In the future, as we follow the providence we must unite in order to fulfill our responsibilities. We have to cooperate, all individuals, families, nations, and the world to realize the completion of one purpose. The most important thing is to unite centered on True Parents. Then, a united world centered on Heavenly Parent through which humankind can realize the dream of the kingdom of heaven on earth and in heaven, which is humankind's wish and Heavenly Parent's dream, will come. Yesterday a lot of large beautiful snowflakes fell. However, It snowed twenty centimeters throughout the night. The large snowflakes falling are like a blessing from heaven. Heaven is showing it can make a bright world out of this dark world. Do you understand? From now, on, globally, especially among our second generation, I will unite and harmonize them. When we look towards the future through a firm marble-like foundation we will create a system that can stand tall even through strong rainy winds or hardships. I know that you have many worries concerning future generations and the future. There is no need to worry. While I am still on this earth I will perfectly put every-



thing in order. You may not know this but I am educating the True Family's third generation. They must be taught from a young age. Just know that I am teaching them True Parents' ideas and will from the beginning to the end so they can stand at the center of the providence. I am saying the four-position foundation has already been formed. If you go to Cheongshimwon [Cheongpyeong's prayer hall], you see it, right? Not only in the spiritual world but also in the physical world, the spirit world is moving and they are being raised well so do not be worried. I am saying that if we unite as we go forward there is nothing we cannot achieve. There is only victory! I say this often but you must treat mother well. While I am here, you must unite with Mother and become people who will remain in my memory. Do you understand? You will do that right? I pray that you will make a new beginning with the determination that you will without fail absolutely realize Heavenly Parent's dream together with True Mother, the mother of the universe. You must become people whom I remember. 

- ① Yun Young-ho, pres., H. J. Cultural Center, was MC. Mrs. McDevitt read Mother's speech Foundation Day speech
- ② Seiko Lee, an operatic soprano who sang in Pyongyang in 2008, sings for True Mother
- ③ Left to right: Sun Jin nim and In Sup nim, Yeon Ah nim and Julia HJ Moon at the celebration
- ④ Kim Ki-hoon and Tokuno Eiji offer volumes of True Mother's speeches; Hwang Yeop-ju was awarded for his outreach among the Chinese diaspora; Iguchi Toyomi and Oodaki Junji offer a gift on behalf of the Japan

# Major Events

## TRUE PARENTS' BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

A photographic record of True Parents' ceaseless efforts and heart to uplift others



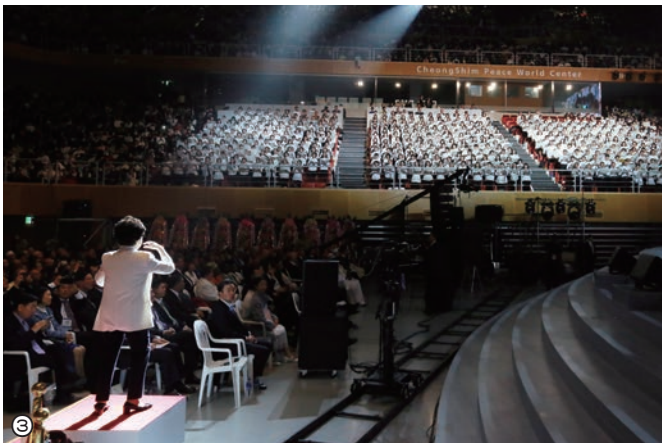
# True Parents' Birthday Celebration



- ❶ From 90 nations, 30,000 people came to the Peace World Center and 300,000 people viewed the events remotely through the PeaceTV broadcast.
- ❷ Hyo Jin nim and Yeon Ah nim's children, Shin-chul nim (foreground) and Shin-yuh nim offer flowers, while Shin-soon nim (foreground) and Shin-yuh nim accompany True Mother.
- ❸ Her grandchildren look on as True Mother cuts the cake.
- ❹ True Mother seated looking out on her vast audience
- ❺ Sun Jin nim and In Sup nim present a gift to True Parents on behalf of all Cheon Il Guk leaders and blessed families around the globe
- ❻ Sun Jin Moon, international president, FFWPU, gave a welcoming address; Wonju McDevitt, chief of staff of True Mother's Secretariat, recited a commemorative poem; Yun Young-ho, president, Hyo Jeong Cultural Center, was MC; Hajji Baba Edmond Brahimaj, Bektashi Order of Sufism; Rev. Yukio Watanabe, Shintoism; Sheik Mansour Diouf, Murid Brotherhood; Archbishop Ndanga, Apostolic Christian Council; Bishop Rafael Luiz Gaona, Catholic Church; Ven. Phrarajvoramuni, Buddhism; Ven. Acharya Shrivasta Goswami, Hinduism; all prayed.



# The Musical and Sharing True Parents' Special Meal



- ① True Mother and Sun Jin Moon amidst the young dancers during the musical
- ② The musical Dream of Hyo Jeong II depicted True Parents' lives for an audience that included the religious figures who prayed to bless True Parents' birthday.
- ③ The choir leader conducted the joint choir in a song to commemorate the birth of True Parents
- ④ True Family members (from left) Shin Soon nim, Ye Jin nim, Shin Bok nim, Yeon Ah nim, Julia HJ Moon, Yeon Jin nim, Jan Daube nim, Shin-chul nim, Shin-heung nim

- ① True Parents fed 30,000 people with a lunch featuring their favorite foods.
- ② Ongals, a circus team, performed stunts; Kim Yeon Ja, Insoomi and Paul Potts sang.
- ③ Julia HJ Moon, general director of the Universal Ballet, introduced the ballet by explaining the story. She even demonstrated some ballet movements.
- ④ Universal Ballet performed Act 3 of "The Sleeping Beauty."
- ⑤ The Hyo Jeong Family Award Ceremony for heavenly tribal messiahs. (The testimony of the couple to Sun Jin Moon's right is included in "We Are Proud of You" p. 28)



# The Hyo Jeong Cultural Festival



## The Fifth Anniversary of Foundation Day





- ① True Mother delivering her Foundation Day Address
- ② Sun Jin nim and In Sup nim offering bouquets of flowers to True Parents
- ③ True Mother cuts the Foundation Day cake
- ④ A tribal messiah victor couple from each region receive gifts from True Parents, 6 President Lee Gi-seong offered the opening prayer; Dr. Yun was the MC.
- ⑤ From left: Kim Young-hwi, director, Cheon Eui Won; and Kim Jin-choon, director, Cheon Beob Won; offer a gift representing all blessed families; Jin Seong-bae and Kim Hyung-jae offer Hyo Jeong Character Education Textbooks; Yong Jin-heon, Cheon Il Guk International Headquarters Education director, and Gil Yeong-hwan Writing Committee member offer Heavenly Tribal Messiah Textbooks
- ⑥ On the anniversary of Foundation Day, Rev. Lee Gi-seong prayed and Secretary-General Yun Young-ho was the master of ceremonies.
- ⑦ Little Angels, here in costumes for a groom and bride greet True Mother
- ⑧ New Hope Singers International perform folks songs to honor True Parents
- ⑨ Cheers resound throughout heaven and earth



# The Fifth Anniversary of Foundation Day

- ❶ A game played in the eye of a hurricane: Sun Jin Moon, international president of FFWPU, marshals all of her spiritual resources and then casts the yut sticks into the air, to fall where they may.
- ❷ True Mother and Dr. Yun Young-ho in the background both appear to be enjoying the intense competition.
- ❸ The Hwahap Team, under Yeon Ah Moon: True Mother would comment the following day at the Victory Celebration on the importance of harmony to success in life. *Hwahap* is "harmony."
- ❹ The Hyo Jeong Team under Sun Jin Moon took second place.
- ❺ The Tongil team under Julia HJ Moon receive their prize from True Parents.
- ❻ The Cheonwon team under In Sup Park: Everyone won a prize and that night and can take satisfaction from knowing that True Mother on earth and True Father in the spiritual realm must have taken delight in the epic game.



## Resolution Rally for the Hopeful March Forward of FFWPU for a Heavenly Korea



- ① While others drove to the events, thousands of Korean members had been at a three-day Cheongpyeong workshop, February 20–22. They walked to the Peace World Center to celebrate True Parents' Birthday on the 21<sup>st</sup> and on the 22<sup>nd</sup> to take part in the Rally for a Heavenly Korea, which True Mother presided over.
- ② Kim Won-tae (his testimony is in "We Are Proud of You" p. 28) his pastor son and Thai daughter-in-law offer flowers to True Parents at the rally.
- ③ Clockwise from top left: Rev. Kim Young-hwi prayed to begin the rally. Rev. Lee Gi-seong, director of the Cheongpyeong Training Center and president of FFWPU Korea, gave a sermon to ramp up the determination of the members. Rev. Ju Jin-tae, vice-president of FFWPU Korea, was MC of the first part of the event. Rev. Moon Sang-pil, Korean CARP president, was MC of the second, youth-focused, part.
- ④ Everyone in the stadium had done *ansu* at the rally. Right to left (regions 1–5), the leaders of Korea's five sub-regions offered the prayer-wish papers that the participants had filled out at home, at church or at the Cheongpyeong Training Center.
- ⑤ Young people dominated the second part. They sang a boisterous marching song "Unconditionally" expressive of their unshakable resolve. Some gave testimonies.



# True Parents' Birthday Pledge Service



- ① True Mother on the occasion of True Parents' Birthday Pledge Service
- ② True Mother, in accord with the current status of the providence made some changes in the Pledge Service including in the number and positioning of the Holy Candles.
- ③ True Family members attending True Parents at the morning Pledge Service
- ④ Clockwise from top left: Rev. Ju Jin-tae, leader of sub-region 1, Seoul, led the rehearsal of the Pledge Service; Rev. Lee Gi-seong, president of FFWPU for Heavenly Korea, was the master of ceremonies; Dr. Otsuka Katsumi, president of UPF Europe, led cheers of Og Mansei! and Dr. Yong Chung-sik prayed.
- ⑤ True Mother, God's only unique daughter and the bride of the Messiah



# True Parents' Birthday and Foundation Day Victory Celebration



- ① True Mother has not only worked hard over this period of holy days but she has provided legions of members around the globe with greatly increased momentum as they enter 2018.
- ② Rev. Lee Gi-seong, president of FFWPU for Heavenly Korea and Mrs. Wonju McDevitt, chief of staff of Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon's Secretariat, present flowers to True Parents.
- ③ The lighting of the celebration cake
- ④ True Mother with graduates of the SunHak Universal Peace Academy, whom she will dispatch to missions in nations around the globe so that they can build a foundation of substance upon the framework of their academic pursuits.
- ⑤ The celebration of these milestones concluded with cheers of Og Mansei!

# Hyo Jeong Global Peace Foundation Scholarship Awards



❶ True Mother bequeathed funds that helped people from many religious back-  
 grounds in order to increase harmony within the nation and to brighten its future.  
 ❷ Prof. Yeon Ah Moon, spoke; Agbéyomé Kodjo spoke, in years past, he was the  
 prime minister of Togo two separate times; Yu Gyeong-deuk was the MC.  
 ❸ True Mother with some of the recipients  
 ❹ The full hall had been brightly decorated



## Special Workshop for Heavenly Tribal Messiahs



## Cheon Il Guk Leaders Assembly



## African Political and Civic Leaders Tour Providential Institutions



- ① Heavenly tribal messiahs victors attended a workshop at which they shared best practices they had employed to achieve their objectives and spoke of caring for and developing their spiritual tribes, heard lectures and enjoyed a buffet banquet.
- ② The Cheon Il Guk Leaders Assembly equips with information and trains Unificationist leaders from nations around the globe.
- ③ Agbéyomé Kodjo, prime minister of Togo (1994–1996, 2000–2002) toured providential organizations. He spoke at the Hyo Jeong Global Peace Foundation Scholarship Awards Ceremony reminding the recipients of the importance of education by quoting the UNESCO Constitution, "since wars begin in the minds of men, it is in the minds of men that the defenses of peace must be constructed."

# We Are Proud of You

*These were welcoming remarks at the 2018 Special Workshop for Heavenly Tribal Messiahs, which took place February 18–20 as a joint effort of the Cheon Jeong Gung International Headquarters and the Heavenly Tribal Messiah Academy.*

By Wonju McDevitt

**B**eloved heavenly tribal messiah victors from around the world, I would like to welcome you all and thank you for attending this workshop for Tribal Messiah victors. I would like to warmly welcome you today. As we celebrate the sixth year of Cheon Il Guk, we're now celebrating True Parents' birthday. This is the first event in the celebration of True Parents' birthday. I would like to welcome you all. More than anything else, over the past year, you have worked very hard for the firm establishment of Cheon Il Guk. I would like to thank you all as Tribal Messiah victors. I would like to give you a thunderous round of applause.

Thank you very much. I am envious of your achievements and I would like to congratulate you on your extraordinary dedication. Beloved heavenly tribal messiah victors, as we begin the year of the golden dog, True Mother held a New Year's gathering with leaders from Korea, Japan and the United States. Before the assembled leaders, Mother gave the message of reaching the high ground of the providence for the sake of national restoration. Every time we hear Mother's amazing, lovely voice—but sincere and with austere tones—we remember how much True Mother has been dedicating herself to bringing the victory in the providence, risking her life on many occasions to bring about the victory in the providence.

True Mother has led us on many occasions through difficulties, but this was a year when the providence developed dynamically. The twelve months have seen us make progress equal to twelve years of the providence. Here in Korea, centered on the Korean Peninsula, at the time when there was great confusion and great difficulties, Mother hosted twelve rallies for the hopeful march forward of the providence, opened wide the gates of the Cheon Il Guk era and the Pacific Rim civilization. Mother personally opened these gates wide for all of humanity. When we look at the amazing providence that Mother has been living—centered on witnessing, creating an environment for witnessing and raising future leaders—we can see that victorious news is coming from around the world. This victorious news is bringing about the springtime of the providence. We no longer are in the evening time, but in the morning in the springtime of the providence. Mother hosted twelve Rallies for the Hopeful March Forward of the Providence and blessed the nations of Korea, Japan and the United States as Heavenly Korea, Heavenly Japan and the Heavenly United States.

In particular, as we remember True Parents' birthday, the first event to celebrate True Parents' birthday was the Africa Summit. Mother gave us the model for the restoration of the nation and the world. True Mother restored and liberated Africa to become a new continent, a continent of hope, a continent of victory. As you are all aware, tribal messiahship is the foundation, the cornerstone, to build a new nation, a heavenly nation, a heavenly region, a heavenly world and a heavenly cosmos. The heavenly tribal messiah movement is the essence of our movement....

I would like to read a testimony. I would like to share it with all of you. This is about the family of Rev. Kim Won-tae. Rev. Kim Won-tae are you here? Oh, yes. He is sitting right over there. Thank you. I am pleased to meet you. I am proud of you. This is the testimony that Rev. Kim sent to True Mother, which moved us.




Mrs. Wonju McDevitt, chief of staff of the Secretariat of Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon gave a heart-felt presentation at the Special Workshop for Heavenly Tribal Messiahs

#### **The course to success of Rev. Kim Won-tae**

"I joined more than twenty years ago. We have been away from the church for fifteen years. After receiving some guidance from Heaven, I was able to return to the church, and in 1982, we received the married couple's blessing. My wife and I regretted leaving the church and we dedicated ourselves to the providence. After we returned to our hometown, everyday we offered bows. We raised our son to become a pastor, and I returned to my family's hometown. There, I invested everything toward heavenly tribal messiahship. I have been witnessing to everyone from county and district leaders and everyone that I knew. Everyone who knew me would praise me as a righteous man. As a result, in 2015, my son helped me and I was able to become the first heavenly tribal messiah victor in Gangneung.

"During this time, before I go to the spirit world, I wanted to complete the blessing of 430 families. I had been saving money from farming, but because I had liver cancer, I had to use all of that money for the treatment. But Mother appeared in a dream and said, Plant cabbage. Mother showed me clearly what crop I should plant, and when I followed Mother's directive, I was able to gain \$7,500 in a short time. When I invested myself and when Mother shouted to march forward to the high ground of the providence I received a loan of \$10,000 from a farmers' cooperative. What was amazing, though, was that when I engaged in the heavenly tribal messiah work, my liver cancer disappeared and I was able to complete 430 families, which fills me with great happiness. Today, I have invested everything toward the heavenly tribal messiah mission and now I've become a recipient of food stamps from the government but with a great heart of gratitude, I would like to thank True Parents. Everything is thanks to True Parents' love and blessing that I could complete 430 families."

#### **If we invest our best efforts, blessings will follow**

Beloved victors, heavenly tribal messiah victors, I would like to thank you. Every day I cannot help but shed tears as I hear your testimonies. True Parents have spoken of reaching the high ground of the providence and the most important point is that we need to unite centered on the spirit and be born again through the truth. What is the spirit? It is the Holy Spirit and it symbolizes True Mother, just as True Father said. True Mother is the substantial Holy Spirit and if we unite with True Mother, Heavenly Parent and True Parents will bring great victories and miracles to us. Through True Parents, Foundation Day was proclaimed, and on the fourth anniversary of Foundation Day, True Mother spoke about the miraculous springtime of the providence. I hope we can all unite with the True Mother and we can offer jeongseong, prayers and if we invest ourselves, True Father in the spirit world will shower us with grace and blessing that go beyond our wildest imaginings. This is what True Mother tells us today: Join hands with me. Let us work together to realize Cheon Il Guk. Let us realize the firm establishment of Cheon Il Guk that True Father yearned for so deeply. Let us testify about True Parents. It is my hope that you can all be victorious in your respective nations. Thank you very much. 

*Mrs. McDevitt is chief of Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon's Secretariat.*

# A Vision of Progress through Heavenly Tribal Messiahs

*The immediate audience for this presentation, on February 23, was new leaders. This was part of their Cheon Il Guk leaders' education.*

By Yong Chung-sik

Our beloved heavenly tribal messiah victors and challengers, good afternoon! From the bottom of my heart, I want to express my greatest joy to see you all here in our fatherland, Korea, especially here in this holy place, HJ Cheonwon in Cheongpyeong. I believe you deserve to receive this amazing grace from our Heavenly Parent and our True Parents. On the twenty-first of this month, you shall participate in the grand celebration of the True Parents' birthday here in Cheongpyeong. You will have the opportunity to see and become closer to our beloved True Mother. I hope that you will receive so much inspiration and spiritual power that it will give you greater inspiration to work harder in order to advance God's providence. From the bottom of our hearts, let us offer our deepest gratitude to our beloved True Mother for her special love given to our heavenly tribal messiahs. Please give our dear True Mother a big round of applause.

Likewise, let us offer our appreciation to the international headquarters staff, and especially to those in the HTM Academy, who have organized this assembly to recognize the efforts of and encourage our heavenly tribal messiahs around the world. Let us give them a big round of applause.

As you know, when blessed members in Asia began to heed the call from True Parents to fulfill the heavenly tribal messiahs' mission, we did not expect that we could accomplish much in a short period of time. As of now, a total of 522 heavenly tribal messiahs all over the Asia-Pacific have accomplished the blessing of 430 couples, which translates to more than 244,000 couples blessed, which is around 450,000 people who became blessed members. This is in Asia alone, but with all heavenly tribal messiahs couples worldwide, the number is so much higher. Thank you very much for your incredible hard work. When we see this great expansion of the heavenly tribal messiah providence in many nations, we cannot help but attesting to the fact that we are living in a very different time. The victory of Foundation Day brought us to enter God's direct dominion. As long as we take responsibility and take action in accordance with God's will and desire, tremendous results will surely come. True Father mentioned that even if just twelve tribal messiahs fulfill their mission, national restoration will just be a matter of time. We are confirming this when we see great developments in our nations. Aju?



Dr. Yong Chung-sik, chairman of the Asia Regional Group, giving his presentation, in English, as one of a series of lectures provided to new leaders.

### **Our transferable model**

I would like to share with you a very important vision which we are now step by step carrying out in Asia but this model works everywhere in the world. First, we set up twelve victorious heavenly tribal messiahs, who had accomplished raising their 430 couples to become regular members. Now, we have thirteen from Asia who have victoriously fulfilled this goal. At this extraordinary time the heavenly tribal messiahs providence can enter a new dimension when we focus on making model heavenly tribal messiahs, models in raising regular members from those who have received the blessing and completed the three-day ceremony. Through deeper education on organizing worship services and home groups, and offering tithes and donations, they can grow to become active owners of Cheon Il Guk. We have to emulate True Parents eight-stage course of restoration.


Let me share with you the heavenly tribal messiah model that you can apply in your own nation. When we fulfill twelve model heavenly tribal messiahs, this is a foundation to make a model town. Then we can go up to the next stage and have 120 heavenly tribal messiahs who have fulfilled the goal, found 430 couples to become regular members, we can accomplish more than a province. The next stage is a model region or state, with 1,200 heavenly tribal messiahs that have fulfilled, raising their 430 couples as regular members. Then, for national restoration, a model nation means 12,000 heavenly tribal messiahs, who have fulfilled the goal of 430 couples who become regular members. This means, about five million people in the nation are to become owners of the providence. This is truly a clear vision for heavenly tribal messiahs work.

As True Mother has emphasized, now is the time for all members and the people to live within the Holy Spirit and the truth. This is why we have to help our heavenly tribal messiahs members have great spiritual experiences. So we intend to bring closer the HJ Cheongpyeong workshop providence, centered on our heavenly tribal messiah members in different areas. This year in Asia, we will have around 20,000 heavenly tribal messiah members in a major nation experience the Cheongpyeong Great Works and have ancestor liberation. By 2020, we shall fulfill 144,000 people centered on heavenly tribal messiahs who have participated in the HJ Cheongpyeong providence, which we will conduct in many nations in the Asia Pacific region. When all heavenly tribal messiah members throughout the world are moved by the power of the Principle and truth, we can quickly multiply and strengthen our membership.

### **Take this seriously**

My dear brothers and sisters, we have heard several times how much our beloved True Mother has concerns over the accomplishment of Cheon Il Guk and the fulfillment of Vision 2020. We can truly feel how serious she is. In order to bring substantial results, she emphasized that these remaining two years before 2020 should be the time to bring results as filial sons or daughters; we should be proud to say, Please, don't worry, True Father. Please don't worry, True Mother. I am responsible for Vision 2020 as a filial son or daughter. We must have the same determination as True Mother does. We should be clear that the purpose of fulfilling the tribal messiah mission is not just for our own selves. We need to see the greater vision. We need to understand that the purpose of doing the heavenly tribal messiah mission is to restore one nation, one people, one sovereignty for God. Once you complete your 430-couple blessing, you realize that you cannot rest. It is just the starting point. If you truly understand God's desperate heart and True Parents' desire for you to offer one nation to God, you cannot relax. That's why your participation in this Heavenly Tribal Messiah Assembly should allow your higher motivation to expand. You need to multiply a broader heavenly tribal messiahship.

One attribute of true love is multiplication. Without multiplication, your blessing will become stagnant and you will decline. That's why I want to remind you to multiply and expand. I would like to encourage our heavenly tribal messiahs to also focus on educating the young people in your tribe, the children of our blessed couples. When you educate them and even persuade them to attend a Top Gun workshop, when they ultimately return to the tribe, they will be helpful full-time members that can help you take care of your tribe.

My dear brothers and sisters, whenever in the past when I thought of building the kingdom of heaven on earth, I didn't have a clear concept of how it can be conceived. Now, I can see a vision of realizing Cheon Il Guk, God's kingdom of heaven on earth. I can almost grasp it with my hands. It is no longer a vague concept. By now it is a tangible and reachable vision. Why? Because of heavenly tribal messiahship. Starting this year, we have laid out plans to welcome True Mother to a national-level blessing, centered on our heavenly tribal messiahs as a foundation that will be held in eight nations of the Asia-Pacific region, building up before Foundation Day 2020, when we can offer this victorious condition of restoration of sovereignty to our True Parents. Then we can have great confidence for 2020 and we can have a 2030 providence and so on. So, let us receive greater energy here in Cheongpyeong because there is a greater mission waiting for us in our nations. Let the remaining two years before 2020 become the period to truly expand and multiply citizens of Cheon Il Guk all over the world. 

# Experiences with True Mother

*This is an excerpt of the closing remarks to the 2018 Cheon Il Guk Leaders' Assembly.*

By Yun Young-ho

Over the past three days, thank you for your complete dedication to this workshop. As Mrs. McDevitt mentioned, I received the testimonies of the sub-regional leaders from Japan, throughout Korea and throughout America and this morning I gave a report to True Mother. The title of Rev. Dunkley's testimony is "The Greatest Secret of Heaven is True Mother." He shared his heart and thoughts about True Mother, that Mother is not just the Mother we've been hearing about but she's the kind of Mother that Heaven could not do anything other than to support in order to bring about the desired direction of the providence.

I would like to share a personal anecdote with you. In December 2015, True Mother asked me to prepare for True Parents' Birthday celebration. There are many important events; there are the eight major holy days, but Mother said that the most important event would be the celebration of True Parents' Birthday, because it is the day when the God's only son and God's only daughter were born on earth for the first time, after six thousand years. All of humanity should celebrate this day.

This was the first message, and the second most important day in our whole life is that of the day of True Parents' Holy Wedding. That is the day when True Parents met and appeared before humanity as the True Parents and completed restoration as the True Parents. True Mother said that we need to have a great Holy Wedding celebration. It had been years since True Parents had celebrated their Holy Wedding. That was when True Father had celebrated the Era after the Coming of Heaven. On that day, True Mother gave a great blessing, which was the Four Holy Items of Cheon Il Guk. This was a day of celebration of forgiveness and unity.

When I heard this, I remembered what Mother had said, for example about the Holy Birthday Song. I do not know if you remember this, it says all five colors of people around the world should celebrate together.

She gave the directive but she did not like the music. She asked us. David Eaton tried. Many people tried, but Mother did not like the melody. Mother wrote the song; she wrote the lyrics herself. [See the January 2016 issue of *True Peace*, p. 12 for the lyrics.] Mother told us we should change the Birthday Song to this and when Mother appears onstage, the song should be played. Even the cake-cutting song was different, so Mother gave us directives about every step of the process of the celebrations. One of the biggest misconceptions is that we give the reports and Mother decides, but if you spend one day with True Mother, you will realize how detailed Mother is. Mother is the most detailed leader I have ever met. During True Parents' Birthday celebration, Mother decides every single detail of the celebration.

## **We long to share our hearts with her**

Mother was on the third floor and after an hour and a half, the sun was setting and the rays were shining next to True Mother. I was next to Mother. At that time, what Mother said was that if I go to the spirit world, even after I go to the spirit world, you should celebrate True Parents' Birthday in this way....

Because she said, "If I go to the spirit world, we should celebrate True Parents' birthday in this way." This was Mother's message. One day, I was just sitting down and then I was on my knees. I said, "I hope you do not speak about going to the spirit world. I want you to be here as long as possi-



Dr. Yun Young-ho on the occasion that he spoke to leaders giving them insight into True Mother's heart and expectations, her sacrificial lifestyle and deep concern for the advancement of Heaven's will on earth

ble, because when we have a victory, the first person we want to report it to is you. True Mother, when we have something good to share, the first person we want to share it with is you. We hope you can be happy; you can receive many such reports. The firm realization of Cheon Il Guk should be accomplished while you are here."


After that, I cannot forget what Mother said. I was crying and Mother asked, "What time is it? It's 5:35 AM. Today, I have spent such a fruitful day. ... I meet Mother about 5:30 AM and if the lights are on, it means Mother is already awake. Mrs. McDevitt attends Mother closer, but we know that Mother is awake from early morning. When Mother gave directions about True Parents' Birthday celebration it lasted from 5 PM until the next day at 5 AM. We were there for more than twelve hours.

Yesterday, for example, I went to bed at 2 AM and woke up at 5 AM, but Mother lives each day as if it were a thousand years. I sometimes wonder how Mother can live that way. But on that day, Mother was summarizing everything, one by one, and what she said was "Today, I lived my day fruitfully."

### High priests of the providence

I am sharing this with you because during the opening ceremony, I said that you are all the high priests of the providence, the high priests who can risk their lives for the providence, just like the national leader of Burundi and Rev. Song In-myung. He mentioned and I reported that this is what Mother said, Regarding dying, when we look at the Divine Principle, when we go from the sovereignty of Satan to the sovereignty of God and are resurrected we escape death. When there is no concept of the self as with Mother and Father. She used a Buddhist term meaning "complete emptiness." Before Mother met Father Heaven prepared Mother in a state of complete emptiness of self. So Mother developed herself.

In the Bible, we read, "Blessed are the meek at heart for the kingdom shall be theirs." I wondered, if you are meek at heart or if you are poor in heart, how can you be blessed? For example, Mother mentioned that she loves this song that says if you let go of all greed, the flower of happiness blossoms in your heart. The reason that the heart is so important is that when we have no concept of self or personal opinion we can be victorious. It's not just a moment of emptiness. When I felt—I want to call this "mindfulness"—and the fullness of Mother's life with Heavenly Parent. Mother is every moment in complete unity and fullness with Heavenly Parent.

When I saw Mother preparing for the holy Birthday, that's when I was truly touched. Because she has lived seventy-five years of her life, it is a dedication, or jeonseong. Even though I am relatively young, I was able to feel this. Even today, we reviewed the musical. ... In this musical is True Father's entire life. Yankee Stadium is Father. Washington Monument is in because it is Father. Even Danbury was a victory because outside the gate, True Mother was there. We showed the work of True Mother through Danbury. This is what Mrs. McDevitt mentioned, When Father came out of Danbury, the first thing they, Father and Mother, did was host a special ceremony to be welcomed as the True Parents of Humanity. They are completely united in mind and body. 

*Dr. Yun is the Secretary General of the Cheon Il Guk International Headquarters.*

# Prayers of Blessings upon the Celebrations

*Islamic, Protestant, Catholic, Buddhist, Hindu, Shinto, Sufi Islamic and Unificationist religious figures gave benediction prayers at the outset of the celebration of True Parents' Birthday. Here are the Protestant and Catholic prayers respectively.*

**Archbishop Johannes Ndanga, chairman, Apostolic Christian Council, Zimbabwe**

**D**ear Heavenly Parent,  
You brought us all here as your children serving you in different faith systems from all over the world. As we move by faith, we are cognizant that February is indeed a holy month in that our True Parents were both delivered on this planet Earth by your angels at birth in the month of February. It is on the same note our dear Heavenly Parent that we believe Korea to be a holy land as the birthplace of the True Parents. We gather here in Korea to celebrate once again the holy anniversary of the True Parents of all humankind. We pray for your continuous blessing upon the life of the only begotten daughter True Mother as we live and move with her on this planet earth. We pray that you our God and Heavenly Parent shall continuously increase the only begotten daughter's sovereignty, people and territory as she restlessly spreads upon the entire face of the Earth the gospel of peace, fidelity, love, purity and restoration. I make this prayer in Jesus Christ's name.  
Aju and Amen

**Rafael Ruiz Gaona, Catholic Bishop, Paraguay**

**D**ear Heavenly Father, good morning.  
First of all, I am grateful that you protected us during our trip; I am grateful to meet your children from other places and countries whom you called in order to gather in this distant country of Korea with the purpose of building world peace together. Today, we united all the people, nations and tongues to bless and glorify your holy name to the whole earth. Second, I want to pray for Father Moon and Mother Moon who together founded this international organization to mobilize people of good conscience from all over the world to establish a Global Family under God. I offer my prayer on my behalf and in the name of Jesus. 🙏



Religious leaders of other faiths come onstage in front of thousand of people to honor True Parents.

# A Battle that Harmonized All Sides

By Thomas Walsh


Following the Foundation Day celebration, True Mother invited all five thousand participants to divide up into four one-thousand+ teams, by region, for a special yut game. The teams were led by members of the True Family, Sun Jin nim, Yeon Ah nim, Hoon Sook nim, and In Sup nim. Each team had a name based on one of the core values and virtues of Cheon Il Guk, Tongil, Hyo Jeong, Hwahap or Cheonwon. I was skeptical that a yut game with so many people could be organized well. But soon we were lining up, by regions. For example, my team included the members from Japan, America and Asia Regions. Dr. Chang Shik Yang and Mr. Ho Yul Ahn served as judges, not an easy job, and each team had a strategist who would move the *mal* tokens.

Once the teams were paired up, for the first semi-final round, the training center began to shake as the ballroom was filled with the deafening chants and cheers of each team.

True Mother had said that the Foundation Day yut game was dedicated to helping establish our unity as one family. Indeed, that objective was achieved. Everyone, whether high or low in the chain of command, whether elder or younger, whether Eastern or Western, white, black, or yellow, the teams merged together as one organism. Cheers resounded as if they were a thousand voice choir. Competition was intense. Tempers flared and sparks flew on more than one occasion, only to be resolved with smiles.

The combination of strategy and fortune, skill and luck, was central to success. This game, seemingly so simple, was bringing us all together. A game that emerged in Korea more than two thousand years ago, perhaps during the Three Kingdoms period, was bringing us all together, while linking us to an ancient tradition and part of Korean history. We merged with the ancestors. We were in battle, together, with one heart. People who had barely known each other suddenly became best friends and allies, comrades in a mythic moment of challenge and victory.

Veterans of the game guided us in cheers as the next person prepared to throw the yut sticks, hoping for a *doe* (advance one space), a *kay* (advance two spaces), a *goel* (advance three spaces), a yut (advance four spaces), or a *moe* (advance five spaces), depending on the placement of the *mal* token. In cheering, the team joined in collective consciousness and solidarity, combining emotion, prayer, and hope. The Pyeongchang Olympics were magnificent, but the yut game at the Training Center on Foundation Day rose to an even higher level of intensity and joy!

I was in awe as I witnessed small miracles in the final game. Yeon Ah nim, always seemingly reluctant to take her turn, threw five straight *yut moe* turns; each yut or mo allowing for an additional turn. Mr. Kajikuri, at a moment of great difficulty, and against all odds, threw a *bek doe* to liberate the *mal* token to move toward the finish line. Skill? Fortune? Unity? Whatever the reason, we were one team. Hwahap had won. Everyone had won. We jumped and shouted and embraced with joy; "high fives" all around. True Mother looking on, broadly smiling joyfully. Five thousand brothers and sisters as One Family Under God, centered on True Parents. The Foundation Day celebration couldn't have concluded on a higher note. 

*Dr. Walsh is the international president of the Universal Peace Federation.*

# Raising Future Leaders as Shining Lights

*This is the February 7 commencement message to the graduating class of the SunHak Universal Peace Academy.*

By Thomas Selover



Let me begin by returning glory and praise to Heavenly Parent and True Parents, and with a reading from *Cheon Seong Gyeong*, p. 1254 in the English translation:

Whatever your problem, if you try to solve it by working only with the spirit world or only with the physical world, you will not succeed. Likewise, just because you know God's will does not mean God is liberated. You have to unite with True Parents and lay a foundation upon which you can govern nations and the world's religious realms.

Greetings to Rev. Lee Gi-seong,

chairman and Korean national president, Dr. Jin Sung-bae, president, Hyojeong Academy, Dr. Kim Jin-choon, a former president of our graduate university, Dr. Joo Dong-moon, president, HJ-IFUS, distinguished Cheon Il Guk leaders, honored guests, beloved faculty, staff and students, family and friends, and especially the 2018 graduates of SunHak UP Graduate University. Thank you for your presence here, and good morning to you all.

This is the thirteenth annual commencement ceremony of SunHak UP Graduate University. As you know, institutions live in history because of continuous dedication, and SunHak UP Graduate University is a dedicated community of continuous learning. And what is it that we are engaged in learning here? It is how to become true human beings, true representatives of the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind.

When True Parents founded this school, they gave us the mission of *chojeonggyo*, of transcending the limitations of religion, and the alienation among religions. True Father called upon us to "understand heaven, earth and humanity and realize that there is an owner of heaven." In this way, he told us to "help to establish [God's] new ideal world that transcends religions and nations." (CBG, p. 1036). True Mother has given us a new name and a new heavenly

design and program to enable us to fulfill this mission.

## Mun and mu

As I mentioned during the inauguration ceremony at the beginning of the fall semester, our goal at SunHak UP Graduate University is to unite academic culture and field-related training. In traditional Korean terms, reflective academic training (*mun* 文 as in *munhwa*) and vigorous field-related training (*mu* 武 as in *mudo*) are both essential for global leadership. Together, mun and mu unite to form *bin* (斌), a shining example and light to the world.

That also means that for each one of you graduates, as you go out to the field or to other responsible positions, you yourself need to cultivate the connection between shared culture and personal discipline. The balance that you have been striving for at SunHak UP Graduate University is the key to your advancement in the next stage of your life and mission.

## Conscience, compass

The key to maintaining that balance is the conscience (*yangshim*) that serves as your intimate guide. Your professors and training leaders have tried hard to stimulate the development of your conscience in various ways. We hope that it will serve properly, as the compass to orient your life, thought and action.

### Heavenly engineering

As you are getting ready to go out to nations around the world, I would like to remind you of the heavenly engineering that you carry with you. Let's try an experiment, though it might seem silly at first. To begin, let me ask you to please wiggle the toes of your left foot. Now, wiggle the toes on your right foot. This is an amazing process actually, based on the direction from your listening mind to your physical mind to your nerves and to your toes, and then back again, because you know that you are wiggling your toes, right? Now, please take a moment and think about your family or loved ones who are far away, while wiggling your left toes. Now come back and think about us gathered here, while wiggling your right toes. Now lastly, think of our True Parents, who are both far and near, while wiggling all your toes together.

This small exercise of heavenly engineering reminds us that we can always recall our connections with our True Parents and with one another, in whatever situation we find ourselves. Through this connection between the spiritual and the physical we'll advance and succeed.

### Heavenly society

Just as your body and mind are connected through heavenly engineering, so is human society. The whole society is made up of sensitive connections, that you have the mission to transform in a heavenly way.

You are agents of Cheon Il Guk, the nation of heavenly oneness. Cheon Il Guk is working in and through you. This is the Three-Win society (win-win-win) of interdependence, shared prosperity and universal values, *gong seng, gong yong, gong ui*, that True Mother proclaimed anew at the African Summit in Senegal.

### Hyo jeong


How will that heavenly society be advanced—on what basis? We already know the answer, because True Mother has already given it to us: “by becoming light to the world through hyo jeong toward Heaven (*Hamul dehan hyo jeong*).”

Just as heavenly engineering is in the midst of the interaction of your own mind and body, so hyo jeong is in the midst of the society of *gong seng, gong yong, gong ui*. We could say that hyo jeong is the compass of spherical sovereignty. Those intercon-

nections, within your mind and body, between the spiritual and the physical, and throughout the social networks that form society, are all properly understood and properly oriented by hyo jeong toward Heaven. Hyo jeong is the natural and original signal of your own conscience, and when you abide by it, you will naturally build heavenly connections wherever you go.

### Conclusion

In the future, you will be challenged in many unexpected ways, and you will be called upon to serve and take care of many brothers and sisters, elder and younger, who may or may not appreciate you as they ought to do. Do not expect to be treated as a leader, but show your heart of leadership by the way that you serve and attend others.

On that foundation, in unity with True Parents, you will be able to participate in “governing nations and the world's religious realms.” Thank you, and God bless you. 

*Dr. Selover is the president of SunHak UP Graduate University.*



Dr. Selover is in the gown with three chevrons; to his left is Rev. Kim Jin-choon, head of the Cheon Beob Won, the Cheon Il Guk judiciary branch; to his right are Lee Gi-seong, president of FFWPU for a Heavenly Korea; and Joo Dong-moon, president of the Hyo Jeong International Foundation on the Unity of the Sciences.

# The Impression True Mother Left on Gorée Island

By Patrick Jouan

The International African Summit, which took place on January 18 and 19, was a great accomplishment on a national level with the president of the country receiving True Mother as if she were a head of state. I stayed for over a hundred days in Senegal to help prepare the summit. My first

mission was to work with the National Assembly to organize the inauguration of the International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace (IAPP). Thus, I was able to meet the president of the National Assembly, Mr. Moustapha Niasse, a man of deep vision and insight, who shared his goal for the country with a few of us. It closely

aligns with UPF's vision of one family under God.

Among my other activities, I had to visit various brotherhoods or Sufi movements [like religious orders, or distinct spiritual paths] such as the Murid, the Tijaniyya and others. I also visited some traditional rulers. The activity was very important and I



The Mayor of Gorée Island and island residents appeared deeply touched by True Mother's love and compassion.



Mr. Jouan, the writer, at left, walking amid the multinational crowd at the Abdou Diouf International Conference Center, which he described as having an atmosphere with "the intensity of a strong ocean storm."

later understood the role of these religious groups and traditional rulers in relation to President Macky Sall and to the Parliament. A very close relationship exists between political power, religions (the spiritual sphere of guidance or influence) and the traditional rulers, who are the owners of the land, even that of Dakar. All three parties try to support good government.

After I had been there for a month and half, Kathy Rigney asked me if I could prepare for a visit by True Mother to Gorée Island. The mission was to prepare the practical aspects of the visit, knowing that a special ceremony would take place with a prayer of liberation and a sanctification with Holy Salt at the "House of Slaves." What a challenge! How would we be able to achieve that?

Moreover, True Mother wanted to offer a boat to the island populace that they could use in emergencies to quickly reach Dakar and bring people in need of medical care to the hospital. True Mother had said that if we united with her, miracles would occur. That was the situation and through all the trials I knew that was the main point, unity and being faithful to fulfilling the mission. It was important not to stumble in some situation but to move on somehow.

Thus, I went to visit the island. Having visited some Sufi brotherhoods, I decided to go to a Catholic

Church as well. Occasionally in Senegal but more particularly in Gorée, within one family you can find Muslims and Catholics living under the same roof. You do not need an interreligious meeting, since they already live together as a family.

#### Meeting the mayor

One Sunday, during a Catholic mass, I met the mayor, Mr. Augustin Senghor, descendant of a branch of the family of a Senegalese president, Léopold Sédar Senghor (1960–1980). I explained what UPF does, the summit that would take place and that the founder would visit the House of Slaves. Gradually, I built trust with this man, the main authority of the small city of 1,700 people.

We suggested mobilizing some young Unificationists of our second generation, for service projects some time before the summit. Therefore, two weeks before True Mother's visit, around twenty young men and women in STF-Europe came to renovate some places on Gorée Island. We had to prepare this course of action carefully, as some officials harbored doubts about it. In the end, it proved a good foundation for True Mother's visit.

Another task was to find a boat, a good one in good condition, within our budget and ready on time. With different opinions and uncertainties

as to how to decide properly, the task was not easy. A few times, I was about to give up, but after deciding to involve the mayor and his assistant, their cooperation proved fruitful and allowed us to find a boat and to prepare it on time. Even choosing the name was vexing. A few days before the event, we received the name—Victoria. True Mother had decided.

The authorities and citizen of the island will long remember the visit by True Mother, locally called Mother Moon. This historic event, which went smoothly and was successful, was the eye of the storm—calm and solemn—whereas the event at the Abdou Diouf International Conference Center (CICAD) had the intensity of a strong ocean storm.

#### A starting point for peace

In the morning of January 19, before the arrival of the presidential boat used for True Mother and her party, most members as well as the Little Angels arrived two hours early. While waiting, an interesting phenomenon took place. As we were coming to the pier with the mayor and his assistants, an old woman began yelling. The woman appeared crazy, shouting and pushing the mayor. Some security people took care of her and everything then became quiet. Clearly, it seemed a manifestation of the spirit world.

The receiving line of members, children and the adult islanders was long; it nearly reached the House of Slaves. I was next to the mayor who offered flowers, with his wife, to True Mother. The people were joyful—some were clapping, children were singing, music filled the air.

The ceremony that took place at the House of Slaves was significant. The tension preceding the ceremony was palpable. With key Korean members, Rev. Lee Gi-seong, Rev. Bang Seungman and Mr. Seo Hyunook, we prepared the necessary items—Holy Salt from Korea, some earth from True Father's grave site (Bonhyangwon) at Cheon Jeong Gung, some earth from Gorée and holy water.

Reverend Camara, the regional president, was the MC. He introduced Mayor Senghor, who said a few words of greeting. Rev. Lee read the



The Victoria undergoing holy salting from the pier: At the time of writing, the boat had already been used to transport five people in the midst of health emergencies to receive medical care in Dakar.

Declaration of Heaven and then True Mother offered a special, deep, moving prayer. We were grateful to Mr. Seo, who translated directly into French so that everyone present understood her Korean entreaty.

Afterward, True Mother mixed the earth from the two locations in a large bowl, and then she spread Holy Salt, right there in the center of the House of Slaves. She declared it a holy ground, eternally connected to Heaven and to the holy ground in Korea, as well as a starting point for world peace. It was profound. The participants respectfully united with the ceremony, including the mayor, his wife, the director of the House of Slaves and Sheikh Mansour Diouf. Dr. Michael Balcomb concluded the ceremony with three cheers of Mansei.

Following the ceremony, we all listened to an explanation by Mr. Eloi Coly, curator of the House of Slaves. True Mother took the time to go inside some cells, especially the one used to hold children, in which True Mother cried. When she emerged, people could see that and it moved them. Everyone's seriousness was apparent.

We all then went to Monument Square. The Little Angels made a nice circle around our group. There, together with True Mother, the mayor unveiled the golden plaque dedicated

to her special visit. The mayor gave a few words of explanation when bestowing on True Mother a certificate as a pilgrim to Gorée. The atmosphere was serene and smiles were on all faces. Mayor Senghor received the key to the boat. The Little Angels sang Senegal's national anthem in the Wolof language [the native language of the majority people of Senegal] and a very popular song, "*Dibidi Direk*." Hearing these songs in the beautiful voices of the Little Angels moved the mayor to tears.

#### Long-distance purification


The last stop was for the blessing of the boat. I had asked the pilot to bring the Victoria as close as possible to the pier. Holding a bowl of Holy Salt, True Mother, with two daughters-in-law, Julia HJ Moon and Yeon Ah Moon, and assisted by the mayor and me, went as near as possible to the boat. We laughed just a bit when the Holy Salt did not reach the boat because it was moving in the wind. I offered to take part in the ceremony and even said to Mayor Senghor, "You could also bless your boat." Mother looked on, smiling, as we both took a handful of Holy Salt and threw it. This time it went on the boat—a victory for Victoria.

Mayor Senghor understood; the special grace Gorée received from True Mother, the depth of her prayer

and the sanctification of the island made a strong impression on him. Other important and famous people had visited Gorée in the past, but True Mother's visit will be memorable because of the depth and significance of the ceremony, including the plaque and the boat.

After the departure of the presidential boat, some people around the mayor expressed their sincere respects and heartfelt thanks to True Mother for what she had done in Gorée; some religious leaders and traditional leaders expressed sincere appreciation for True Mother. They had felt her deep heart and spirituality.

To conclude I can say that Senegal had good conditions for this event. Our teamwork, our unity and especially the cooperation with talented members of our second generation, were also keys to the victory.

During this preparation, I saw myself representing my country France (with a direct connection at the time of the slave trade between Gorée and Nantes, near my hometown in the West of France). We had to go through some special situations that tested my humility, attitude and ability to remain aligned with the providential purpose of the Africa Summit. Thank you, True Mother. 

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# Music for Heaven and Earth

## Activities of the Hyo Jeong Music Committee for 2018

*As the New Year begins, the Hyo Jeong Music Committee will be undertaking several projects in an effort to develop further the initiatives set in motion in 2016 and 2017.*

By David Eaton

In accordance with True Parents' direction and as part of the providence centered on the culture of filial heart, Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon's Secretariat, the Department of Cultural Promotion, the Hyo Jeong Cultural Center and the Holy Song Compilation Committee initiated the process of creating of new holy songs that reflect Cheon Il Guk. The time frame for submitting songs for the initial contest was from December 15, 2016 to January 21, 2017.

The inaugural Cheon Il Guk holy song composition contest aimed to celebrate True Parents' Birthday and Foundation Day 2017, as well as enrich the existing Holy Song canon by adding new Holy Songs in preparation for a new hymnal. Over a hundred songs from nine countries were submitted for consideration and the Hyo Jeong Music Committee assessed the songs over a period of six weeks. The judges for the assessment of the songs were Mi Ran Kim, Yasuko Sakada, Shuji Hata and Sun Han Kim from Sun Moon University and I.

In the 2017 competition, Matt Ishizuka and Young Bok Gomez earned first prize for "We Are One." Both Diego Bellavotti, for "God's Family" and Nina Kosareva, for "Child's Heart," earned second prize, whereas Sunmarie

Burns, for "Truth Brings Peace," Joseph Knanga, for *C'est par amour* (That's by Love) and Priscila Mbuyi Wambuni, for "Multiply the Lineage of God" all earned third prize. Earning participation awards were Lawrence Baer, for "The Miracle We Are," David Rendl, for "Sailing With Our Father," Nathalie Komagata, for "One World Family," Tsuchida Yoshiha, for "The Path My Father Walked," and Sylvie Gatta and J.C. Mokama, for *Le Missie est Sur la Terre* (The Messiah is on the Earth).

### The second annual holy song contest

As with the inaugural contest, the Hyo Jeong Cultural Center and the Holy Song Compilation Committee will gather new entries and compile new songs that praise Heavenly Parent and True Parents as well as manifest the values and significance of Cheon Il Guk—filial piety, true love, living for the sake of others, one family under God and other virtuous narratives. The announcement of the winning entries will be made in March 2018. The songs from both contests will be recorded in 2018 and made available on the forthcoming Hyo Jeong Music website. Commemorative plaques and financial awards will be presented to the winning composers as was the case in 2017.

In addition, the HJ Music Committee is gathering historical songs that have been composed by Unificationists over the years. Many of the songs were composed for providential occasions such as Blessings, church holy days and True Parents' speech events. The creation of a song database will provide members with the opportunity to hear these songs as well as to know more about occasions for which they were composed and the composers who wrote them.

### Standardization of holy songs

When I as the chairman of the HJ Music Committee, first arrived in Korea in 2016, my first order of business was to standardize the four-part harmonizations of the Holy Songs that are in the Korean, Japanese and American songbooks. As Dr. Eaton examined the existing church hymnals, he noticed that there was no consistency in the harmonizations in the various national songbooks. He therefore began the process of creating definitive versions that the worldwide membership could use in their worship services.

Consulting with Motoko Ijichi in Japan, Kevin Pickard in the United States and Mi Ran Kim in Korea, the process of standardization took place for a year culminat-

ing with Motoko Ijichi spending a week at the Hyo Jeong Cultural Center in Korea working with Dr. Eaton, Professor Kim, Shuji Hata and Yasuko Sakada. With that phase completed, the next task will be to set the songs to the languages of Korean, Japanese and English. Due to the syllabic differences of the lyrics in the various languages, rhythmic accommodations will need to be made accordingly. This process will continue throughout 2018 with recording and sheet music to be produced with the intention of using these new harmonizations in a new hymnal in 2020.

### Youth orchestra

It is our True Mother's hope to establish a youth orchestra in the Seorak community comprised of blessed children. Obviously, this is a long-term project but the initial, exploratory steps will be taken in 2018. The HJ Music Committee is examining the Venezuelan youth orchestra model, known as *El Sistema* (the system) as a potential method to employ for the development of a high-level youth orchestra program.

If done well, we hope to invite professional-level instrumentalists within the international FFWPU community to Seorak to teach and train young musicians in the art of orchestra performance. Moreover, this ensemble could present concerts for the local community and eventually participate in the large-scale productions at the Hyo Jeong Global Arts Center. We could then commission composers to write music and create arrangements specifically for the ensemble.

This in turn, could assist in the creation of a music academy at the Cheongshim International Youth Training Center in the style of the renowned Western music camps such as Tanglewood (Massachusetts), Apsen (Colorado) and Interlochen (Michigan). In addition to music, the academy concept would also include dance, martial arts, fine arts, cinema, recording technology and game development, in accordance with True Mother's vision.



In an October 22 Sunday sermon (pictured) which he gave in Vienna, Dr. Eaton said, "Music... has the ability to help us heal, to help us transcend our current situation and think of higher virtues. That's the power of art."

### A Tri-Nation Harmony CD

At a recent address to students at the Cheongshim International Youth Training Center (January 9) True Mother stated, "What I am doing by making Korea, Japan, and America into Heavenly Korea Heavenly Japan, and Heavenly America," is saying, 'Let us attend God.' We cannot stop at just knowing God; we have to become a family, a tribe, a nation and a world that attends God."

In April 2017, True Mother held a ceremony for the unity of Korea, Japan and America. She has encouraged artists from these three providential nations, as well as for Manhattan Center in New York and Japan, to cooperate in order to realize God's ideal through the arts. With that as a source of inspiration, the HJ Music Committee embarked on the production of a CD of twelve songs by artists from three providential nations, Korea, Japan and

America. The CD's title, *Harmony*, reflects the importance of the creating unity among artists who share True Parents' vision for 2020 and beyond.

Included in these songs are three songs with lyrics written by members of the True Family; True Mother ("True Parents' Birthday Hymn-2016"), Hyo Jin nim ("Eternal Love"—the commemorative song at the 30,000 Couple Blessing in 1992), and Kwon Jin nim ("Glorious New Day"—commemorative song at the 3.6 Million Couple Blessing in 2001).

Other songs include Kevin Pickard's 2013 "Foundation Day Anthem," Jeong Hwa's moving song, "Family," Dan Fefferman's tribute to True Mother, "She Stepped Up," as I arranged it and performed by Matthew Hill, Shuji Hata's beautiful arrangement for solo guitar of "Song of the Spring Breeze," Moto Ijichi's orchestral arrangement of Hillie



Edwards' tune, "I'll Never Leave You," Diego Bellavotti's inspirational song, "Love Will Reign Forever," and the final movement of my music for the Tong-il Moo-do martial arts ballet, "The Three Hearts of God." Artists from the three providential nations who also contributed to the Harmony CD include Mi Ran Kim, Reggie Woolridge, Steve Honey, Yeunhee Chang, Miyuki Harley, Masahiko Harigai, Sharky McEwen, Tatenori Hamasaka, Hyo Min Cho, Koichi Nakai, Oji Behian, Karin Nishinaga, Hitomi Sakabe and Raoul Joseph.

#### **Hyo Jeong education**


There will be a continued effort in 2018 to educate artists in accordance with the ideals True Parents set forth in pursuit of a culture of peace. In 2017, I traveled to Vienna to present a Hyo Jeong Seminar to ninety artists and musicians about the Hyo Jeong philosophy of cul-

ture. These types of Hyo Jeong educational seminars will continue in 2018 with events being planned in the United States, Japan and Korea. A central point of the presentation was True Father's words regarding the importance of art. In his autobiography, True Father offered this perspective about the power of art and the effect of beauty in shaping our attitudes.

People often think that politics moves the world, but that is not the case. It is culture and art that move the world. It is emotion, not reason, that strikes people in the innermost part of their hearts. When hearts change and are able to receive new things, ideologies and social regimes change as a result.

Rev. Moon offered this perspective in the context of his founding the Sun Hwa Arts School in Seoul in

the late 1950s. At the time, Korea was still recovering from the Korean War and the Japanese occupation. Funds were scarce and the prospect of building a major arts academy when his early church was struggling financially seemed unwarranted to the church elders. Yet, as the aforementioned quotation reveals, he intuited the necessity of the arts in the process of forging a global vision for peace.

True Mother is continuing True Father's artistic legacy via the Hyo Jeong cultural providence. It is our hope to continue to support this legacy by building bridges through song and to produce music that awakens the original minds of all humankind. It is our belief that by uniting with True Parents that miracles will happen! 

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