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EVENTS CELEBRATING TRUE PARENTS' BIRTHDAY AND THE 8th ANNIVERSARY OF FOUNDATION DAY



Sunday Service Culture of the Cheon Il Guk Settlement Era

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To prevent the spreading of COVID-19, the Korean church made a choice and decision. However, it also detected confusion and division because of the difference between theology and faith. A conflict arose between two opinions—one, that it cannot be called a church service if people do not gather, and the other, that church service should be done online to fulfill social responsibility and be considerate.

Acts of the Apostles 8:1 "And Saul was consenting to his death. And on that day a great persecution arose against the church in Jerusalem; and they were all scattered throughout the region of Judea and Sama'ria, except the apostles." The church in Jerusalem scattered due to persecution, and because of this scattering, they were able to preach the gospel to the Gentiles. A crisis became an opportunity.

Today, we have the same opportunity. Humanity is now scattered throughout a wider world, and the opportunity has come to convey the grace and love of True Parents through the Internet. Online ministry, which links on-site church services to one another, has become a top priority, and the development of preaching and video content, small group service activities, online registration, online pastoral visits, and online home church services is being carried out.

COVID-19 made people realize the importance of family, and the focus of ministry has been on the family ever since. We must know that it is an era where we should work hard to establish a healthy church and a happy family community, and coherent ministry plans should be managed in a balanced manner.

In a pastoral environment in which online and off-line church service cultures are compatible, the Family Federation has been conducting in-depth research and making changes in the church service culture after the announcement of the Heavenly Parent's Holy Community on May 8, 2020. One could say that Heavenly Parent's Holy Community is a big umbrella for all religions and sects to come under.


Church service in the era of Heavenly Parent's Holy Community is divided into two. One is the church services held on Sundays, a tradition of the New Testament Age, and the other is the Cheonbo Family Church services held on An Shi Il, a tradition of the Cheon Il Guk era.

True Mother said she would advance the providence so that at least one-third of the world's eight billion will know our Heavenly Parent. To achieve that, the Family Federation must convert the church services held on Sundays, a tradition of the New Testament age, to open church services. An open church service integrates with the concept of peace that all mankind desires. It has the character of a "peace church service," and teaches people about Heavenly Parent. A Cheonbo family church service has the character of attendance, and it is centered on An Shi Il, which was established by True Parents and comes every eight days. As a church service that encourages responsibility, mission, and determination as owners of Cheon Il Guk, it should educate people about the ultimate truth, such as the Heavenly Parent, the ideal of creation, True Parents' ideal, and the three great blessings.

In order to more actively respond to the social distancing situation caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Family Federation is promoting the online two-way hope-filled church service using Peacelink, which is produced by the International Headquarters Global Media Center, and which opened the era of online broadcasting through Boda.zone, YouTube, etc. We are also trying to make changes throughout the church service, including the program order, sermons, praise time and weekly reports.

Church growth is essential to fulfill the provincial plan of one family under Heavenly Parent; church service is at the center of that. Until now, it might have been a duty-oriented church service that required people to attend, but now it is time to actively change the constitution of Sunday service so that it can be converted to a church service that people want to go to.

The structure of the heavenly Gyeongsang nation's hope-filled, forward looking church service held on January 17 included video (HJ Global News), hyojeong meditation, an opening declaration, respectful bows, the Cheon Il-Guk national anthem, the Family Pledge, a report prayer, Hyojeong Sharing, a sermon and a benediction, a reading from True Parents' teachings, fellowship, three cheers of eok mansei, a bow and a closing declaration.

The heavenly Korea Family Federation conducted a hope-filled church service in five districts. Since the essence of church service is to meet Heavenly Parent and True Parents in our daily lives, the five districts should build a strong church with True Parents' teachings and the Holy Spirit, so that the Sunday and An Shi Il church services are able to restore the essence of church services. 

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Peace in the Family and Peace in the World

According to God's will, if there had been no Fall at the beginning and one family had been established, that family would have been humanity's single origin. Through that one family, all humanity would have found peace within God's love. That family would have been one in which God would be present, a family with God at the center. That family would have aligned itself with God and become the center of a tribe. After that, a people would have become one with that tribe as their center. A nation would have become one based on that people, and the world would have become one based

on that nation. Because that world would have arisen in the natural environment by means of the ideals of true love following that progression, it would have realized a single ideology. And because it was created by the expansion of one tribe from one lineage, that world could not possibly have divided. It would have been a united world, nothing more or less than the ideal world.

A man and woman are born into the world, and when they are drawn to unite with each other as husband and wife they each feel, "I am happy; I am at peace." God is naturally drawn to find that place of unity and to relate to them. This is the primary

motivation driving the relationship between God and people. When God relates with us in this way, it is good not only for God and us, it is also good for the animal, plant and mineral worlds, which welcome that unity with gratitude.

Within a family, there is an arena of love that enfolds a man and a woman. Putting that family at the center, we embrace patriotic thought, saintly thought and the thought worthy of a divine child. When we follow this harmonizing direction to our destination, the value of our united purpose will emerge as the world standard. When we follow the historical direction of God's love and

embrace the world, unity and peace will be possible. Without it, the ideal kingdom of heaven cannot appear.

Who is leading history? The people who create history are those who are pursued and driven. History develops by going through stages. As we go forward, let us bear in mind that we are promoting an ideology of world peace. Therefore, we must not move forward by putting our own people at the center. Instead, we need to put all the people of the world at the center. As we advance, we need to explain that we are working for global equality. A group of people such as this will never fail. This thought was Christianity's contribution toward the development of history. Christianity has advocated ideas such as the equality of all people, the brotherhood of all the world's peoples, and humanity as one great family. For this it has been attacked throughout the ages.

The United Nations of the political world needs to unite with a UN of Religions and a Women's UN; these

three need to unite as Cain, Abel and Eve. If they become one with the True Father and True Mother, all of humanity will enter the realm of one family. Moving in this direction, all the nations and their leaders can enter a peaceful world. A single nation will emerge, with God at its center. The world is composed of family systems. Therefore, the family is where this process begins. With that in place, no one will fight as we naturally move to the tribal foundation. In the same way, we will advance to a nation, the world, the cosmos and God.

Many religions have the concept of a Messiah or Lord of the Second Advent. This tells us that there is a single common purpose for the establishment of religion. That single purpose is world peace and unity. Why should this be so? It is because there is one owner. The idea of God, the absolute being, is one, not two. Then what is the one thought behind the ideology of oneness? It is to make the world into one. It is to realize a world of peace, a united world. God's

will is for brotherly and sisterly love to harmonize the world as a single family with love at its center, to realize a realm of oneness.

All of humankind is one family. I am saying that we are a family. We are one family, connected through true love. Humankind is one tree. Your family is made up of many families living together. In your family, there are babies, boys, young men, middle-aged men and elderly men. Your family is a training ground where you educate others by example. You educate your children to connect them to the family of the world and the great universe. People who have been trained in your family fall into four categories: your grandfather and grandmother, mother and father, elder brother and sister, and you. Thus, training in your family is the way you grasp onto the world family. You invest in your family in order to connect it to the world family. I am saying that you need this investment to accomplish the larger purpose.



True Father speaking to people from all over the globe during the 2003 World Culture and Sports Festival, one of many endeavors that True Parents held that gave a glimpse of what one family under God could mean for all humanity.



True Parents, representatives of our Heavenly Parent, solemnly respond to the audience's applause.

Peace in the World

The central philosophy we uphold in the Unification Church is to live for the sake of others. If you do so, you will become the center. Without the process of living for each other, there will be no peace in the family. And if you cannot build peace in your family, there can be no peace among your people, no peace in your nation and no peace in the world. This is to tell you to live centered on a realm of love for the entire world. That will absolutely be the foundation for peace among humankind. The goal of the Unification Church ideology does not end with the salvation of the individual, but with the establishment of a united nation and world. A saved nation and peaceful kingdom will cultivate peaceful people. Likewise, a peaceful world will serve as the environment for the numerous peoples and nations to realize peaceful national realms. Conflicting interests that generate strife are not present here. The liberated, unified homeland, and

through it a universal life culture, is expanding globally. This thought provides a new means by which to break the deadlock in the current circumstances of the world, which is beset by difficulties. This is Unification Thought. In the original design, each person controls, manages, organizes and masters his or her body by putting the mind at the center. Thus people move forward with common goals to realize a single purpose. The mind and body relate according to a standard. That standard of mutual relationship must not be put aside; to fulfill it, the mind is to be at the center and bring the body into oneness. This global age demands that a new movement supporting this appear at the forefront.

What will happen to the world? It cannot become one simply by the establishment of a political system, nor can it become one because its people share economic circumstances. The world will become one when policy directions become one. What is

the starting point of division among nations? They begin with differences in policy directions. These differences lead to conflict and breakdown. Ultimately, they are the result of differences in thinking. That is why we need a common base on which to integrate different ways of thinking. Will integration come by people sharing the reality of their lives with one another? Or will it come by putting God at the center? If we consider these two ways, it is clear that people alone cannot realize the ideal. There is no way to establish a single policy direction, a single policy idea, based solely on human desires. Therefore, we need to dig a path that recreates the stage of life in which the human conscience and body have a single thought system, one that is tied to absolute thought and absolute spirit. Without doing so, we will not be able to establish a unified world, and we will not realize a world of peace.

The Unification Church teaches people to live sacrificially. I tell Unification Church believers to sacrifice more for the nation than they do for the church. If Unification Church members serve the people and the nation with that unprecedented sacrificial mind, it will generate a patriotic spirit that history has never seen. If we establish this new tradition of loving the nation's people, our organization, which has set up that tradition, will never fail. All it takes is to plant that tradition, because all people like that way of love very much. They liked it in the past, they like it in the present, and they will like it in the future. The passage of time does not change something like that. This degree of love will be the new standard for everything. This is the origin; it is the only love that humanity needs.

Interdependence, mutual prosperity and universally shared values

When men and women open the door to a new world, feeling heavenly emotions and venturing forth, it will be the time for the beginning of the kingdom of heaven that we have longed for. It is only then that the Last Days of heaven and earth will come, and that humanity's purpose, desire and hope will take root. In that day,



Throughout their lives, in their efforts to realize a heavenly, unified world, True Parents have reached out to prominent figures of every background demonstrating the heart that we are all one family with God as our Heavenly Parent.

the era of people making self-centered, arrogant claims will pass away. It will be a time when no one will say, "I am the best." From that time on, we will live in a world of cooperation; that is, a world of interdependence, mutual prosperity and universally shared values. Therefore, the Unification Church advocates interdependence, mutual prosperity and universally shared values. We cannot realize such a world on our own. In an ideal society or nation, everyone will transcend nationality and skin color to engage in mutual cooperation, create harmony, and live in happiness. The community will be like an extended family. People will be conscious of being the sons and daughters of one God, a single brotherhood and sisterhood under the True Parents. That will be the place where blessed families, who have restored their lineage, right of ownership and realm of heart, will realize a world of freedom, peace and unity. It will be a world of True Parents' language and

culture. People will be interdependent and prosperous, sharing universal values and God's culture, which is based on heart. As true owners, people will find ways to stop polluting the earth's environment and to love and protect all things. In that world, people will generate their livelihood in joyful service and act based on a heart that lives and loves for the sake of others. All of society's members will follow this standard of living. These ideals are impossible to achieve without the implementation of True Parents' thought, the thought that teaches that true love is living for the sake of others.

Love of parents, love of husband and wife, and love of siblings have disappeared from contemporary Western philosophy. In this respect, Eastern thought is on a higher plane than western thought. Based on that thinking, which denies that the self can exist outside of a relationship with others, the Unification Church advocates interdependence, mutual

prosperity and universally shared values. The concept that no one can be victorious alone is an absolute. Why do I tell you to serve the church? It is to elevate your greatness. Do you aspire to be the greatest in your family? Serving the church will make you even greater; serving the nation will make you even greater than that; serving the world will make you even greater and serving heaven and earth will make you even greater. How much greater? It is greatness beyond one's imagination! Here, greatness does not refer to size; it refers to well-rounded nature and maturity. If you take this on, you need to be ready to live together with all people on the world stage, with the Unification Church as your center. That is the only way you can become the son or daughter of the God who created heaven and earth. *✍*

This is from Cheon Seong Gyeong, Book 10 Chapter 2, Section 3 paragraph 19 to the end of Book 10 Section 4 paragraph 8.



May All Walk through the Open Door

This was the message True Mother delivered from the World Peace Center at the celebration of True Parents' joint birthday and the eighth anniversary of Foundation Day on February 24.

Leaders from all walks of life under the Heavenly Parent's Holy Community, and particularly blessed families of the Family Federation, I am truly happy to see you. I love you all!

Today, we are beginning a new history. We have observed seven anniversaries since the doors to the kingdom of heaven on earth opened, allowing access to a world that our Heavenly Parent and humanity have so longed to see, one in which all people live as one peaceful family under God. And this year marks the eighth anniversary.

Our Creator created everything in heaven and on earth. He had a dream. To achieve that dream, he created a man and a woman as the first ancestors of humanity and raised them with complete devotion in anticipation of the day they would completely and beautifully mature in heart through

absolute faith, absolute love and absolute obedience.

Sadly, the man and woman created to be the first human ancestors fell away before their hearts had completely matured. By this I mean they fell to a position completely cut off from God, our Creator. Our Creator is the Alpha and the Omega. Hence, he must see the results of whatever he begins. This, however, initiated the sad, heart-wrenching providential history of salvation that has lasted for a long six thousand years. Until God could send the True Parents, the true ancestors, to earth, who could substantially realize his will on earth, his path was one of indescribable continuous pain. You cannot imagine how much God had to wait and endure.

Two thousand years ago, God sent Jesus Christ, his only begotten son, through the people of Israel, his chosen

people. Yet, they did not know of Jesus' existence or value. Neither Jesus' own parents, nor the religious leaders nor the people of Israel at that time could provide a supportive environment for Jesus.

Jesus, who had lost all his support, could only go the way of the cross. There were two thieves that were crucified with him. The thief on the left reviled Jesus. The thief on Jesus's right, however, rebuked the other thief, saying that Jesus was innocent. Then Jesus told the thief on the right, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise." [Luke 23:43] Jesus said "Paradise." Later Jesus said he would return. You need to be aware of this. This is the time to see the fulfillment of the providence. Hence, you must know of the truth—you need to know properly what Heavenly Parent's dream is and what humanity's wish is.

Family-level salvation

Many religions have emerged throughout our history. However, these religions could only aim at individual salvation at the most. Yet the Creator's principle of creation is for the perfection of a family. A man and a woman are meant to attain maturity of heart, receive Heavenly Parent's Blessing, raise their children on earth together with Heavenly Parent, and live each day in gratitude to Heaven, singing of love. Our Creator's dream was for such a beautiful kingdom of heaven on earth.

Putting this another way, our Creator is the Heavenly Parent of all humankind. However, the miserable reality is

that God, our parent, could not embrace everyone. Now, thanks to True Parents, who have brought providential history to its conclusion, we have come to know that the Creator is our Heavenly Parent. Knowing about our Heavenly Parent, however, does not mean you can go to him. As fallen people, everyone must set up indemnity conditions, receive the blessing of rebirth and resurrection from the True Parents and then complete the heavenly tribal messiah responsibilities as blessed families. Today, it is not only our own family that is to be saved, but our blessed families have the responsibility for the salvation and liberation of even their ancestors. Only then can there be hope for the future.

In the midst of this, True Parents knew God's hope and fervent, desperate dream for which he could wait no longer. Even in the situation of not having the Christian foundation to support us, because we are the True Parents, we ran, not wasting even a moment, for sixty or so years to create the environment through which God can embrace the world, one in which humanity can live as one family. Heaven was with us throughout, and sent to us, within this environment, many prophets and righteous people that he had prepared.

Given that human history has been plagued by wars and conflicts for six thousand years due to the Fall, the world has multiplied into too many countries and people to be able to transform it into heaven on earth overnight. All the religious leaders that Heaven has prepared over time must take



True Mother speaks to a global audience on the anniversary of her holy birth and True Father's holy birth as well as the eight anniversary of Foundation Day (by the lunar calendar)



- ① Julia H. Moon, president of the Women's Federation for World Peace International and Yeon Ah Moon, chair of UPF-Korea in the process of offering flowers to True Mother
- ② Blessed children in the second- and third-generation offering gifts to True Mother
- ③ Gi-seong Lee, chair of heavenly Korea's Cheoneuiwon, leading religious leaders through the Holy Water Ceremony
- ④ The leaders of Korea's five subregions bringing the event to a close through three cheers of Eog Mansei

responsibility for accomplishing this, but they are unable to explain the fundamental nature of the Creator. In short, they are dealing only with personal salvation.

God's creation is about the perfection of the family. The path for fallen people to come before the Heavenly Parent is only through True Parents. Each blessed family that has received the Blessing through True Parents has their own responsibilities. The point at which that responsibility is fulfilled is when you become a triumphant Cheonbo family with the eternal qualifications of having realized Cheon Il Guk.

As the years go by, moving toward the completion of Heaven's providence, as a tribal messiah and victorious family inducted as Cheonbo, together with the only begotten daughter being on earth today, means this time, when you hold this qualification, is truly your golden age.

By 2027, when we will celebrate the sixtieth anniversary of Heavenly Parent's Day, those who know the True Parents and who know the Family Federation must change. For example, if a snake does not shed its skin, it cannot grow larger. The pain of peeling off the skin is indescribable, but it must be done.

I say this because the leaders and members of all the religious groups that have connected with us up to this

point must qualify as the people of Cheon Il Guk. In the future, only those who have emerged triumphant as blessed couples and Cheonbo couples can be called religious leaders in Heavenly Parent's Holy Community. Do you understand what I mean?

New wine lasts only when it is put into new wine skins. To break away from existing institutional norms and become sons or daughters that realize Heavenly Parent's dream and meet the qualifications that the Heavenly Parent desires to see within the Heavenly Parent's Holy Community, they must receive the Blessing and fulfill their responsibilities as blessed couples. Only then can they become the true children of the Heavenly Parent that can lead their lives in the heavenly kingdom on earth and in the spirit world for eternity.

For this reason, Jesus said he would come again. He said that when he returned he would hold the marriage supper of the Lamb. What do these words mean? They are about becoming parents. Parents! Today I beg all of you... I hope you will not miss this golden age given by Heaven nor miss this blessing, so today I have blessed all leaders around the world to become the sons or daughters of our Heavenly Parent who are fully qualified for Cheon Il Guk. Thank you. ㄸ

Follow in True Parents' Footsteps

This is True Mother's speech during the victory celebration of the events commemorating True Parent's joint birthday and the eighth anniversary of Foundation Day on March 1.




True Mother cutting a cake during the celebration, which took place at the Susang Café, which is above the water of Cheongpyeong Lake



You accomplished everything through devotion and hard work, right? When we reflect on it, the Unification Church central providence began sixty years ago, and now is the time to reap the fruits of this providence, which has reached maturity. Through a process in which the blessed people of Heaven had not prepared a suitable environment for True Parents, we started a sixty-year period, and from the beginning, elder brothers and sisters, and you, the leaders, have made incredible efforts in pursuing God's will.

However, in order to qualify as Cheonbo families, the leaders must first accomplish the goal of forty-three families, as I have

stated. To achieve this, in addition to your efforts and devotion, you will have to find solutions in situations in which you will have no economic support. Under such circumstances, True Parents started their mission, and their sincerity toward God has not been in vain. As a part of the process of accomplishing the providence alongside True Parents, certainly, you have spent forty or even fifty difficult years, but you looked ahead toward an eternal future, taking the path that would lead you to become proud Cheonbo families, leaders and prestigious families, isn't that the path toward eternal blessings? In the future, we Unificationists will be the richest people in the world. 

The café from the point of view of those who had gathered to honor True Mother's success



- ❶ True Mother proposing a toast
- ❷ Dr. Young-ho Yun, director-general of the FFWPU International Headquarters reported on the various events that took place; and Wonju Jeong McDevitt read True Mother's rally speech as hoondokhae.
- ❸ UPA cadets pose for a photograph with True Mother
- ❹ The evening came to a close with three cheers of Eog Mansei!



FIFTH RALLY OF HOPE FOR THE REALIZATION OF A HEAVENLY UNIFIED WORLD





The Substantial Holy Spirit Is With Us

This was True Mother this message at the Fifth Rally of Hope for the Realization of a Heavenly Unified World on February 28, from the Cheongshim World Peace Center.

Respected leaders, peace ambassadors, and beloved blessed families in and outside of the Heavenly Parent's Holy Community! Today, we can no longer delay things. The time has come to make a resolution. Human history and civilizations have developed along rivers. Though five thousand long years have passed since the Egyptian civilization flourished centered on the River Nile, Egypt today possesses a cultural heritage that is like a miracle.

They were aware that life on earth was short, and sought to remain as close as possible to Heaven, with the hope that they might live forever in the eternal world. As a result, their heritage shows how much devotion they invested for that. I am sure you all know about this.

The largest pyramid erected in the middle of the desert is like a forty-four-floor skyscraper. You cannot but wonder where and how they lifted those huge boulders, weighing almost 2.5 tons each, five

thousand years ago, and how they moved them to the desert to erect what is now an incredible, historical heritage site. Their interest, however, was solely how to receive Heaven's compassion. Though it was a huge kingdom, they placed more importance on the temple than on the royal palace, and prayed for a way to move closer to Heaven through the pyramids for the sake of future generations. Though fallen humanity may not have known why they had fallen, it is clear that they have

always lived with a strong will to worship God. The Creator created all things in heaven and on earth, and created a man and a woman who were to become the first human ancestors. They were to grow to maturity and perfection of heart, and then receive the marriage Blessing, on the basis of which God would dwell with them. In other words, the Creator desired to become the parent of humanity. However, as the result of the human fall, this did not happen. Ever since, history has been one of war, conflict, and pain—a history that spawned indescribable problems. Now, we are seeing so many incidents that increasingly threaten human life. One of these is COVID-19.

The natural disasters happening around the world result from humanity's ignorance. Since the only way to preserve his principles of creation and to correct what had gone wrong was through a perfected man and a perfected woman from

among people, God chose the people of Israel as his chosen people and over four thousand long years, the providential history of salvation and restoration through indemnity unfolded. If the religious leaders and the people of Israel had accepted Jesus as the Messiah, and formed an environment through which he could emerge as the True Parent... The roads of the great Roman Empire were said to reach out to the world. The Roman Empire would have been unified, and a new history centered on Heavenly Parent would have unfolded.

An alternative course

Sadly, that did not happen. It was the Apostles, resurrected through the Holy Spirit, that started Christianity. After Christianity was recognized by the Roman Empire in 313, the faith spread across the continent of Europe and reached the island nation of Great Britain. Great Britain then began expanding

its empire to the world across the seas. That is why there is a saying that the sun never sets on the British Empire. Alongside this development, several nations in Europe as well as England began mission work across the world. Unfortunately, they also did not properly know God. They did not know Jesus' true nature. Jesus said, "Love your neighbor as yourself." [Matthew 22:39]. However, [sometimes] they (missionaries) gave more importance to the interests of their nations over those of their mission countries. In conclusion, the era and sphere of the Atlantic Civilization opened and spread to the entire world but is now becoming a civilization of plunder. The Industrial Revolution and the development of science may have brought peace to humankind, but it enslaved people to a materialistic civilization.

In the process, many problems arose and Christianity also made a



True Mother addressing a global audience during the Fifth Rally of Hope for the Realization of a Heavenly Unified World.



- ① True Mother ceremoniously cutting a cake commemorating True Parents' joint birthday and the Fifth Rally for a Heavenly Unified World
- ② True Mother receiving gifts
- ③ True Mother receiving flowers
- ④ Korea's five regional presidents give three cheers of Eog Mansei
- ⑤ Dr. Young-ho Yun, director-general of the FFWPU International Headquarters, was the master of ceremonies.

lot of mistakes. How could communism, which proclaims God is dead, rise from Christianity that serves God? It is the fault of human beings. God is almighty and powerful. He is the beginning and end. Hence, he [his providence] could not stop. God sent his only begotten son but could not send his only begotten daughter. Hence, he had to choose a people through whom he could send his only begotten daughter. He chose an oriental country with courteous people, in this case the Korean people. Many problems arose because Christians imposed a faith based on a man-made system. This generated a lot of problems and gave rise to the Reformation. Thus, the Puritans, desiring more than

anything else to freely practice their faith and serve God, left Europe. This migration led to the establishment of the United States. God blessed the United States as a Protestant nation and desired that they prepare the environment to welcome the returning Lord. In the meantime, God was ardently preparing the birth of his only begotten daughter who can conclude the six-thousand-year providential history. As Jesus died on the cross, he said he would return and conduct the marriage supper of the Lamb. Hence, the returning Messiah must meet his counterpart, God's only begotten daughter. Without God's only begotten daughter, the Messiah cannot realize his dream.

Divided as the world is divided

Back then, Korea was liberated from Japanese colonial rule, but ended up being divided between North Korea and the South Korea as a result of the Soviet Union and the Allied Forces. It was a division between democracy and communism. If the United States had known of God's providence back then, things could have taken a different turn. God saved his only begotten daughter from danger and protected democratic South Korea. It was truly a miracle. Knowing God's providence, the True Parents, who emerged in 1960, stood in the most desperate position of having to continue to realize God's providence in the absence of a supportive environ-



True Mother, looking healthy and happy, waves goodbye to her global audience


ment. It was amid such urgent circumstances that we saw how the United States, a nation that stands in the same position as the Roman Empire in front of the people of Israel, a nation representing the world as a liberal democratic nation, was being swayed by communism. We could not let that happen, so we moved to the United States and worked to revive that nation. Through this, many young people in the United States joined the Unification Movement, and many of them were dispatched as missionaries around the world in 1975. To this day, they are still working around the world with unwavering loyalty to God.

Heavenly Parent's dream and humanity's hope is to have all the 7.8 billion people of the world recognize that Heavenly Parent is their parent, and that True Parents are the ones who are to help them go in front of Heavenly Parent and be reborn. Thus, families who have received the Blessing of True

Parents, must become true children of Heavenly Parent, and then six thousand years of ignorance and lack of loyalty to God will be erased and resolved. One by one, all things of the creation that were destroyed due to human ignorance will be restored back to their original state. This is only possible when the True Parents are on earth. As the True Parent, I am constantly striving to create an environment that I can show to all of humanity and say, "This Cheonwon Complex is what the kingdom of Heaven on earth would look like, where people dwell with Heavenly Parent as their parent."

Yesterday, while coming out from the Buheung Department Store, a young Seonghwa student joyfully exclaimed that it took nine years for her to see me. Looking at how happy she was upon seeing me so close, I could not, but think of the 7.8 billion people and how regretful they would feel when they go to the spiritual world for not knowing that

the True Parents had come to earth, and how the True Parents have paved the way to bring about a world of peace. This is also why I can no longer delay the work of Heavenly Parent's providence. At this very moment, today, I need your new resolve and determination. I have said that the Korean people are a people chosen by God. Though the two Koreas are still divided, we dream of a heavenly unified Korea. This dream will absolutely come true. The Korean people will unite and become one, and surf on the powerful wave of the heavenly civilization through the Asia Pacific Civilization.

We will loudly sound the trumpet announcing to all five oceans and six continents the birth of the True Parents, and that Heavenly Parent is the Parent of humankind. Until all 7.8 billion people of the world can kneel down and offer gratitude and glory to Heavenly Parent, I call you to press on from this moment. 



Declaration at the Interfaith Water Ceremony


By Uzi Lezwe Radebe

Umfihlakalo, the Creator [in the Xhosa language], our Heavenly Parent, and the origin of all things in creation!

On this day, February 28, 2021, hundreds of millions of people from 194 nations around the world have gathered at this Rally of Hope, as members of one human family dedicated to creating a unified world of harmony and peace, a world characterized by the ideals of interdependence, mutual prosperity, and universal values.

I, Uzi Lezwe Radebe, chair of IAPD Africa, and the participants of the Interfaith Water Ceremony hereby declare the following before Heaven and Earth:

We affirm the unique and essential role that spiritual leaders are called to play in bringing about a world of lasting peace, a world in which people of all nationalities, ethnicities, races, cultures, and worldviews live together in mutual respect, harmony, and cooperation, as one cosmic family under God.

We applaud and commend the leadership of Mother Moon, the Mother of Peace and only begotten daughter, and her late husband, Father Moon, for their vision and work over many decades to create one cosmic family under God. Today's Rally brings together a truly global network of people committed to genuinely shared efforts and will become a cornerstone to build lasting peace around the world. Aju! 

In his first visit to Korea, Prophet Radebe gave his impression of the events surrounding the commemoration of the fifth anniversary of True Father's Holy Ascension. "I am moved most by the vision. When you are a visionary, the vision is what attracts you. That was the greatness. Looking at the event, one could only say the sky is the limit. ... The event was big. Everything was big. Looking at the event, you can see that the people behind it were visionaries. In this case, Mother Moon, she is a visionary. Nothing was small. Nothing was left behind."

Prophet Radebe heads the Revelation Spiritual Home in South Africa.





In introducing True Mother, Bishop Jones reflected on an aspect of True Mother's heart that he appreciates. "The reason I am so in love with the Mother of Peace is because Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon exhibits the quality that brings us all together. And she has brought us together not only from the ACLC, the American Clergy Leadership Conference, she has brought us together with the vision of the Korean Clergy Leadership Conference. And now we are here because we are dealing with the World Clergy Leadership Conference. What we're saying to the world is that we may all differ on how to get to heaven, but we all understand what we need to live together on earth."

On Becoming Children of God

By Noel Jones

To the Mother of Peace, Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon; heads of state, faith leaders, parliamentarians, and all other leaders:

I would like to say, first of all, congratulations to Mother Moon on this Fifth Rally of Hope, millions are watching via satellite, actually to a hundred and fifty nations. Also, I would like to remember her birthday and give her a birthday greeting. Certainly, to you, mother and to your late husband the Reverend Moon. Both your birthdays fall on the same day; so today Father Moon would have been a hundred and one.

We thank God because the Mother of Peace is touching the world with love and peace and is having great impact on all of us—leaders, heads of state all around the world on every continent. And certainly, the Holy Spirit is bringing her enemies together. She is living out Jesus's commission and that is to love our enemies.


This also is the thirtieth anniversary year of her and Father Moon's historic visit to North Korea. Thirty years ago this year, she and Father Moon went to North Korea in spite of the dangers. They went to encourage the North Korean leader to bring peace. Yes! Man has always, since the first family, resorted to violence to handle whatever grievances he had and to seek advantages over his fellow man.

This speaks to the function of those who walk with God. One of the Beatitudes that is germane and appropriate is "Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called the children of God. [Matthew 5:9]" Peacemaking is a mode of response to hostility or other destabilizing activities. It becomes very important, then, for us to have those who are ordained by God to bring peace into the world.

That is why a Beatitude announces that one who cultivates the love for peace is one who is close to God. To seek peace and pursue it now gives me the right to be called a son of God. And so, as I come to a conclusion, I want to let you know that whenever we deal with God, we understand that God is one, the number of unity, where there is no divisive element of any kind. Because at the end of the day "Hear O Israel, the Lord thy God is one God." [Mark 12:29]

So, as we lead others, we must let the world know "there is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female for ye are all one in Christ Jesus." [Galatians 3:28] That was Paul to the Galatians Church. He is infected with this unity.

There can be no internal conflict in God nor in the sons of God. A double-minded man is unstable in all his ways. But peace begins with me, internal peace; and I exude it to everyone around me. Therefore, it is important to understand that whenever there is any pain or disquieting in my soul, I have to go to God, remove it, cleanse myself, so that I can come out and be that son of God who operates in peacemaking.

Finally, I would like to say, true mother please be encouraged as the Mother of Peace. You, and your unique calling from God, has in every way and in every step moved the hearts of humanity to become one in God. You have touched us deeply in every manner. You have touched us, every part of humanity, all over the world. And everyone is beginning to see the hope of God's kingdom unfolding. It is all because of what God has used you to do. Thank you, True Mother. Be strong, be encouraged. God is using you in a great way. 

Bishop Jones is the senior pastor of the City of Refuge Church in the city of Gardena, in the US state of California.



Mr. Pence is a lawyer, who had a career, from 1994–1999, as a radio and television talk show host. He was a US congressman representing Indiana state for twelve years, 2001–2013, before becoming governor of Indiana for one term, 2013–2017. He ended his efforts to gain reelection as governor when he was chosen as the vice-president by Donald Trump. He served as vice president 2017–2021.

In Pursuit of Peace

By Mike Pence

Distinguished leaders, ladies and gentlemen, I am honored to address you at this global Rally of Hope, sponsored by the Universal Peace Federation and join you in the great cause of building a more peaceful and prosperous world.

The Bible says “blessed are the peacemakers,” [Matthew 5:9] and I believe this gathering of leaders from nations across the world, leaders who cherish the values of faith, family, democracy, and justice under the rule of law will be a blessing to people in Korea, the Indo-Pacific, and the wider world.

I am grateful to the Washington Times, a model of fair and accurate reporting that American decision-makers have relied on daily for nearly forty years. I especially want to thank Dr. Moon for hosting this important event, and for faithfully devoting her life to the pursuit of peace. I also extend my warmest wishes as she celebrates the birthday she shares with her late husband. Thank you, Dr. Moon, for living out your life's calling with compassion and grace.

As we gather today, my heart is full of hope and confidence that better days lie ahead for America and for the world. For the past year, the coronavirus pandemic has inflicted heartbreak and hardship across the globe. Every nation on earth has been put to the test. Now, thanks to bold leadership, groundbreaking partnerships and the courageous resolve of individual citizens, humankind's victory over the coronavirus is closer than ever before. Here in the United States, we marshalled a Whole-of-America response—calling on researchers, scientists and manufacturers to speed needed supplies to our health care workers. And we developed a vaccine in less than a year, a truly unprecedented medical miracle. More than fifty million vaccine doses have now been administered in the United States and millions more have been administered around the globe.

Every day we are one day closer to putting the long night of the coronavirus behind us. Rays of sunlight have pierced the horizon and a bright new day is dawning. Now, as nations undertake the urgent work of restoring lost jobs and reopening shuttered industries, we must remember that our task is not merely to rebuild the world of the past but to forge a brighter future for all our citizens.

During my four years as vice president, at home and abroad, I have seen firsthand that truly great nations embrace freedom, the principles of religious liberty, freedom of speech, democracy and free enterprise. We know that strong families, education, equal treatment under the law and a recognition of the dignity and worth of every human life, born and unborn, is the foundation of true national greatness.

On that foundation of shared values, we can build a world of strong sovereign nations bound by our commitment to the timeless ideas of liberty, security, and opportunity for all. With free people, strong nations, and bold leaders, there is no limit to what we can achieve.


And in keeping with the theme of this Rally of Hope, I also believe that we can further the progress we made in the last administration: strengthening our historic alliance with the courageous people of South Korea.

Let me emphasize: America is strongly committed to supporting the Republic of Korea, Japan and our allies across the region. Our commitment to our common defense remains unbreakable. We will stand firm against our common adversaries, even as we work in good faith to turn those adversaries into friends. And in doing that, I believe we can lay a foundation to bring about the peaceful unification of Korea within our lifetime. That vision of freedom, peace, and prosperity is the same vision the people of the United States and the Republic of Korea have shared for nearly seventy years: A Korea united by the universal values of human dignity, liberty, and economic freedom.

It is the vision that my father, Ed Pence, a young Army lieutenant in the

Korean War, fought to defend, and it is the vision that generations of Americans and freedom-loving Koreans have defended and pursued for all the Korean people. Building on that legacy as vice president was one of the highest honors of my life.

In April of 2017, it was my privilege to travel to South Korea to meet with the leaders of the Republic of Korea, with American armed forces, and appear across the border of the demilitarized zone at a time of great tension. We returned in February of 2018 to herald the Winter Olympics that celebrated a vision of peace on the Korean Peninsula. And in the wake of President Trump's historic Summit in Singapore, it was my privilege to be on the tarmac in Hawaii when the remains of fifty-five fallen Americans were at last returned to American soil from North Korea. More Summits would follow. And while peace remained elusive, we will continue to pursue a peaceful future: the final and fully verified denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula. I am proud to stand alongside all of you on this day to support the cause of freedom, security, and peace for all the Korean people.

So today, at this global Rally of Hope, I urge all the leaders looking on to keep striving for peace, keep believing in freedom, and have faith, for without faith it is impossible to please God. And know that your labors on behalf of peace for the Korean people, across the Asia-Pacific and the wider world are not in vain. Thank you for the honor of addressing you today. And may God bless you all. 

Mr. Pence was a US Congressman representing Indiana (2001–2013) and the US vice-president (2017–2021).



Last December, David Beasley accepted the Nobel Peace Prize on behalf of the United Nations World Food Program, an organization he has led since 2017. Prior to this, Mr. Beasley, who is a qualified lawyer, served in the South Carolina House of Representatives (1979-1995) and then as governor of the State of South Carolina (1995-1999).

Toward a World Free of War and Hunger

By David Beasley

Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen, Friends throughout the world, It is a real pleasure to join today's Rally of Hope. Let me start first by thanking Dr. Moon, who co-founded the Universal Peace Federation, in an effort to focus attention on the importance of working for peace around the world. Thank you.

The dream of peace throughout the Korean Peninsula is shared by the millions of men, women and children who live there; whichever side of the border that they may be on, and by people all around the world. My father was a Korean War veteran, so I join you in praying that it will come to pass one day and one day soon.

We at the World Food Program know from our work that where peace exists, fewer children go to bed hungry. But tragically, where there is hunger, peace can often be hard to find. For those of you who are not familiar with the work of the World Food Program, we are the world's largest humanitarian agency working to end global hunger. Last year alone we reached about a hundred and fourteen million people in over eighty countries with food assistance. We exist to serve our brothers and sisters in need. In other words, to love our neighbor wherever they may be. Last October we were truly humbled and honored to be awarded the 2020 Nobel Peace Prize in recognition of our efforts to bring peace and stability to our troubled world.

At World Food Program we have a long history of partnership and cooperation with the peoples of the Korean Peninsula. For many years, we have worked with the governments of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Republic of Korea to ensure that every child, no matter where he or she lives, has healthy nutritious food to eat.


World Food Program has been present in Democratic People's Republic of Korea since 1995. We provide specialized nutritious foods for mothers and children under the age of twelve which are distributed to kindergartens, schools, orphanages, and hospitals across the country. World Food Program is in a partnership with the government of Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

We still have a very long way to go before every child in every part of the world has enough to eat. But the Republic of Korea's story gives me hope for the future. World Food Program started working in the country way back in 1964, in the aftermath of the Korean War. And for twenty years we supported the Korean people with food assistance. During this period, the people, the country, rebuild itself from the ground up. In just one generation, the Republic of Korea went from a recipient to a donor. Wow!

Today it is World Food Program's eleventh largest government supporter. This is an inspirational journey which proves that with commitment and hard work, eradicating hunger is achievable. It is a tremendous example of everything we strive for at World Food Program.

I hope this story of success inspires a wider international community to fund expansion of the humanitarian programs which are still urgently needed on the Korean Peninsula: programs which provide nutritious foods to children and their mothers, vaccinations against preventable diseases and illnesses, and community defenses against floods and droughts.

Now, the impact of covid-19 pandemic over the past year has made our task even more urgent. But I am optimistic that this unprecedented crisis is also our chance to put aside our differences, to show we are prepared to love our neighbor as ourselves and work as one to create the better and more peaceful world we all want to see.

Every single one of us can contribute and help to build a brighter future for the children of Korea and beyond. If we work together in partnership, I truly believe we will one day achieve our dream of a world free from hunger and conflict. I also know for sure that when people come together to pray together, break bread together, miracles begin to happen. So, let us pray together for peace and healing on the Korean Peninsula. God bless you all and thank you. 

Mr. Beasley remains the executive director of the United Nations' World Food Program.





Sarah Gilbert is a professor of vaccinology at the Jenner Institute at Oxford University and led efforts to produce a vaccine for COVID-19 that led to a partnership with AstraZeneca. Oxford–AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine, first gained approval for use in the United Kingdom in early January 2021. Various countries are now relying on it to get them past the current pandemic. One version of the AstraZeneca–Oxford COVID-19 vaccine is produced in South Korea. Beyond her scientific contributions, Professor Gilbert is the mother of triplets.

Confronting Disease X

By Sarah Gilbert

For twenty-five years I have worked on the development of vaccines against infectious diseases and particularly on vaccines for which there is little money available to fund their development. To make it possible to develop safe and effective vaccines at low cost, my team works with technologies that we can adapt to make many different vaccines, but without having to start the research from scratch every time. I had been using these platform technologies, as we call them, for some years, working on the development of vaccines against viruses that can cause outbreaks—viruses such as Lassa Fever, which is found in West Africa, Nipah virus, in Bangladesh, and MERS coronavirus in Saudi Arabia.

We had also begun to plan for making a vaccine very quickly if a new virus emerged and started to cause disease in people. This is what the World Health Organization (WHO) referred to as Disease X, and we had been thinking about how to use our technology and knowledge to respond quickly if we ever needed to. At the very beginning of 2020, we had not completed our preparations, but the virus we now know as SARS-CoV-2 had started to cause infections in people. Even before we knew if the new virus could spread from person to person, we started the work to produce a vaccine. By the time we had made the first small batch of the vaccine, we knew we needed to move as quickly as we could. The work moved into our vaccine manufacturing facility, where we can make vaccine to use in clinical trials. We worked with other vaccine manufacturers, in Italy, and then in the UK and the Netherlands, to expand our vaccine manufacturing.

At the same time, we worked with other partners in the US to test the vaccine in animals. By late March, only a few months after the outbreak first began, the UK was in lockdown. The vaccine was needed more urgently than ever, but we had to adapt how we worked. Even as our team grew, we needed to keep our distance. We had to wear masks in the clinic and lab and all our meetings moved online.

Clinical trials started on April 23, with our selfless volunteers willing not only to be vaccinated, but to be photographed and to talk to the press about it. Our clinical trials started with a group of young adult volunteers, then extended into older people, and now also into children. As our trials expanded, so did our team, bringing in nurses, doctors, receptionists, administrators and statisticians to work with the group of scientists who had started the project.

Colleagues and students who normally worked on other research joined us in this essential project putting their own work on hold. We grew out of our vaccine center and added two temporary vaccination clinics, as well as working with nineteen other sites in the UK and then collaborated with experienced investigators in Brazil, South Africa and Kenya.


As a University, we cannot manufacture and supply billions of doses of vaccine. We formed a partnership with AstraZeneca to expand the manufacturing network that we had set up, to add to the clinical trials, prepare for the regulatory approvals that are needed for the vaccine to be used, and finish the work that we had started.

It was important to us that we were making a vaccine for the world, and that it should be made widely available, with no profit during the pandemic, or at any time for vaccine used in low and middle-income countries (LMICs). AstraZeneca shared our vision.

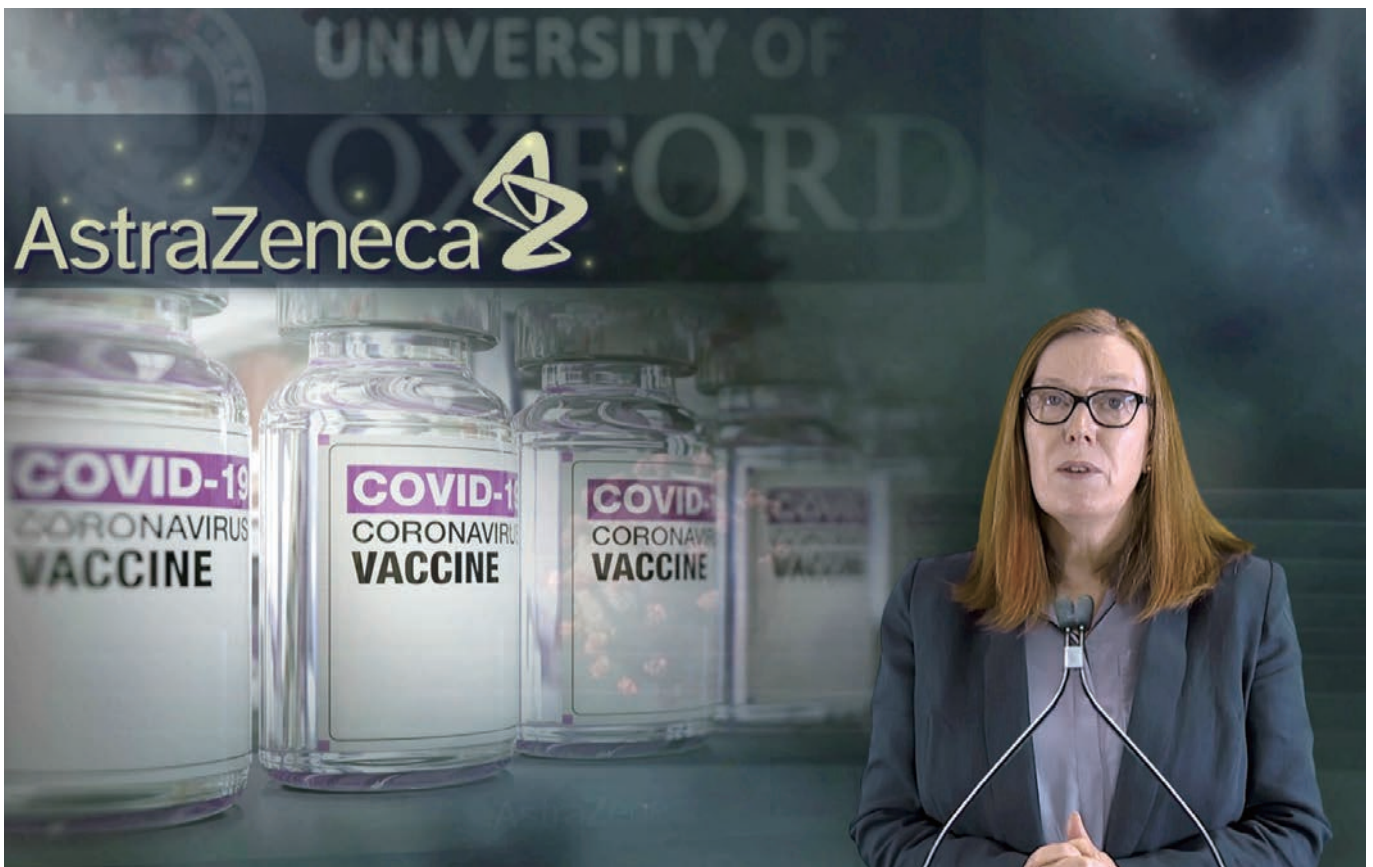
As our team continued to expand, so did the work that needed to be done, and we supported each other through many long and challenging days, at a time when the pandemic was having a devastating effect. Now, in February 2021, there are clinical trials of our vaccine underway in ten countries.

Vaccine manufacturing is taking place in over a dozen parallel supply chains working with twenty-five contract manufacturing operations (CMOs) across the world, with three billion doses planned for by the end of this year. The vaccine has been shown to be safe and effective. It is approved for use in almost sixty countries, and the very recent WHO approval means that it can be supplied via the WHO's COVID-19 Vaccine Global Access (COVAX) facility, which is making it possible for many countries to access vaccine supplies.

This is a vaccine for the world. Safe and highly effective, easy to store and transport, low cost and available in large quantities. The values that resulted in this vaccine being made available align with those of the Universal Peace Federation. This vaccine was made for all of us, to protect each other and ourselves.

We still have more to do, but the work of our international team has paid off, and the vaccine we made is already saving lives. I wish you a good day. 

Professor Gilbert is a professor of Vaccinology in the Nuffield Department of Medicine at the University of Oxford in the United Kingdom.





Colonial rule and slavery first came to South Africa in 1652. The worst facets of apartheid—extreme segregation of people by race in South Africa and discrimination by whites against nonwhites through the policy of segregation and political, social, and economic discrimination against the nonwhite majority in the Republic of South Africa—lasted 1948–1994. When F. W. (Frederik Willem) de Klerk became president in 1989, he called for a new national constitution. He allowed demonstrations against apartheid and freed from prison and began to work with anti-apartheid leaders such as Nelson Mandela. Much progress was made and he and Mandela jointly received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1993.

Never Lose Hope

By Frederik W. de Klerk

I am speaking to you today from the Cape of Good Hope. It is called the Cape of Good Hope because sailors rounding the southern tip of Africa in the sixteenth century regarded the Cape as a beacon of hope in their journey to new adventures, to new opportunities and to new worlds.

I would like to congratulate our host, Dr. Moon, the co-founder of the Universal Peace Foundation, for her initiative in organizing the Rally of Hope virtual series. At this time of the global COVID pandemic, of unprecedented economic crisis, of changing power relationships and impending climate change—the world now needs hope more than ever before.

When confronted by crises, we must make historic choices. We can be fatalistic and allow ourselves to be swept willy-nilly along by the current of events; we can resist and try to paddle against the tumultuous stream of history; or, guided by hope, we can search for a course between the jagged rocks and rapids—and steer our way toward the broad and tranquil river of peace, justice, and prosperity.

Thirty-five years ago, the situation that confronted us in South Africa appeared to be hopeless. We were increasingly isolated—without friends or allies in the world; our armed forces were involved in escalating warfare on our borders against Soviet- and Cuban-led forces. We had to deal with widespread unrest, protests, and lawlessness in many parts of the country.

Some of those in leadership positions opted for resistance. They were deeply concerned about the future freedom of our minorities under a majority government. They were understandably worried about the dominant influence of the Communist Party on the African National Congress (ANC)—the main resistance movement; and they were discouraged by the failure of post-independence governments elsewhere in Africa to sustain prosperous, uncorrupt democracies. They believed that we should refuse to move; that we should remain stubbornly in the malaria infested waters of minority rule. Others were fatalistic. They thought that it would be impossible to resist the angry demands of the world and of our opponents—even when these demands had the direst implications for our minorities and of our economy. They felt that it would be impossible to resist the course of history.

However, some of us were motivated by hope. We hoped that if we judged the political currents correctly, we would be able to steer a course to a better future. I believe that fortune favors those who hope. Toward the end of the 1980s, circumstances began to assist those of us who dared to hope. By 1987 the ANC—led by Nelson Mandela from his prison cell in Cape Town—began to accept that there would have to be negotiations.

In 1988, our strategic concerns were addressed by the withdrawal of fifty thousand Cuban troops from southern Africa. In November 1989, the fall of the Berlin Wall allayed our fears regarding the influence of the Communist Party within the ANC Alliance. Suddenly, there was reason for hope.

I realized that the chances for successful negotiations for a new, inclusive, constitution for all South Africans would never again be so good. So, on February 2, 1990, guided by hope, faith and our conviction of the rightness of our decision—I steered a course toward the rapids of change.

The rest is history. After almost four years of tumultuous progress and after extricating ourselves from whirlpools of escalating communal violence, we finally made it to our first fully inclusive elections on April 27, 1994, to the inauguration of President Mandela and to the adoption of a truly inclusive and democratic constitution.

Now, almost twenty-seven years later, we continue our voyage down the river of history. We have made good progress since 1994—but now, once again, the waters are becoming turbulent and we can hear the roar of rapids ahead. However, we have learned from our past. We have learned that we cannot resist

the flow of history. We have learned that we should not simply allow ourselves to be swept away by the current. But above all, we have learned the importance of never losing hope. Like those sailors who rounded the Cape of Good Hope five hundred years ago, we know that we have the ability to avoid the perils that confront us and to chart a course toward a better future. *TP*

Mr. de Klerk was president of South Africa (1989–1994) and with Nelson Mandela received the 1993 Nobel Peace Prize.



Mr. Ansari was vice-president of India 2007–2017. Prior to that, he was in the diplomatic service 1961–1999, serving as the Indian ambassador to Australia, Afghanistan, Iran, and Saudi Arabia. Before reaching diplomat status, he served in Iraq, Morocco, Belgium and Saudi Arabia.

We Must Face Challenges Together

By Mohammad Hamid Ansari

Good Morning! I am happy to learn that fifth Rally of Hope is scheduled to be held on February 28. This is in a series by Universal Peace Federation and is dedicated to the laudable theme of “Building Partnership for Peace, Interdependence, Mutual Prosperity and Universal Values.” The issues being taken up in this rally are indeed critical to the challenges of our time and need to be accorded the highest priority in a very real sense. The challenges being addressed by it go beyond national board borders and address concerns which are critical for human wellbeing.

For this reason, it is important for us to address them so that this collective effort will reinforce attention on these concerns, which cannot be isolated and have to be addressed collectively. These are global in a very real sense.

I wish the gathering success in their effort and I am confident that the message emanating from it will reach fellow human in all parts of the globe.

Thank you. *TP*

Ambassador Ansari was vice-president of the Republic of India (2007–2017)





After a military career that spanned thirty-six years, culminating in his appointment as chief of staff of the Guyanese Defense Force, Mr. Phillips retired with the rank of brigadier general in 2016. As with most high-ranking military personnel, he is also highly educated. For the 2020 elections, presidential candidate, Dr. Irfaan Ali, chose the retired general as his running mate and since the confirmation of their victory in August 2020, Prime Minister Phillips has begun a new phase his highly successful life.

Let's March Together Toward Peace

By Mark Phillips

Current or Former Heads of State or Government, Civil Society Leaders and Religious Leaders:

I extend greetings on behalf of His Excellency, President Dr. Mohamed Irfaan Ali, and all of Guyana. It is my distinct honor, on behalf of President Ali, to deliver an address on the theme of this rally—Building partnership for Peace: Interdependence, Mutual Prosperity and Universal Values.

I have observed with great interest the hosting of the previous Rallies of Hope that began in August 2020 and note with admiration the unrelenting efforts of UPF, through the vision of the late Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon and his wife, Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon. These rallies have created a foundation, inviting international and interreligious collaboration in the achievement of peace among our nations.

In today's world, serious global issues abound, among which include a staggering degree of interpersonal, political, cultural and religious conflicts. Conflict among humans is a concept as old as time, and peace, as a result, has evaded us on earth for centuries. But every new day, we have a chance to start anew and fix the errors of the past while forging a new path forward, a path to resolving conflict and uniting as a global unit.


And so it brings us to consider the theme of this rally, Building Partnerships for Peace: Interdependence, Mutual Prosperity and Universal Values. Interdependence, by definition, considers the mutual reliance on one another within a relationship. In Guyana, we have a saying, "Hand wash hand, makes hands come clean." I see this as a fitting example of how interdependence plays a key role in the bigger picture of peace.

And the direction we speak of is toward mutual prosperity—the second component. Prosperity—the concept of thriving—is the goal that all peaceful efforts must work toward. Partnerships built on interdependence and mutual prosperity must further be built on strong universal values; that is, common ground.

In Guyana, like any country, we have suffered our share of conflicts. Racial and political divides have arisen among our people for decades.... Our country is not perfect, but our resilience as a people and our determination to achieve racial harmony among our citizens remain steadfast. Our government continues to work with all stakeholders to implement policies and initiatives that seek to work with our people toward becoming living examples of the tenet, "One People, One Nation, One Destiny," as enshrined in our motto.

The difference in the cost of peace and the cost of war is blatant: Over the last decade, the GDP growth of countries that improved in peace was seven times higher than that of countries that deteriorated in terms of peace. Meanwhile, the economic impact of violence was fourteen point eight trillion dollars in 2017, or twelve point four percent of global GDP.

So I pose this question: what does a future built on peace look like? World leaders, decision-makers and even religious leaders must be able to collectively plan and develop ways to respond to the requirements of peace building and this, too, can only begin by building strong partnerships. If we could achieve it, we would be able to transcend the barriers we have created through religion, nationality, cultures, class, creed and other differences that divide us.

I wish this Rally of Hope every success, and leave with you the words of Dr. Martin Luther King Junior. "Peace is not merely a distant goal that we seek, but a means by which we arrive at that goal." I thank you. 

Mr. Phillips is a retired Guyana Defense Force brigadier general and since August 2020, the prime minister of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana.



The writer is a lawyer and politician. He has been a university professor and president of his nation since 2011. Before becoming president, Fonseca he was the minister of Foreign Affairs. Cape Verde, an African nation, is an archipelago comprising ten islands in the North Atlantic with an estimated population of 550,000.

Peace Through Tolerance, Solidarity and Respect

By Jorge Carlos de Almeida Fonseca

Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen, it was with great pleasure that I accepted the kind invitation to participate in this initiative promoted by the Universal Peace Federation, the fifth Rally of Hope. I take this opportunity to greet—warmly as your brother—all those participating in this event, especially, its eminent promoters and organizers, for bringing to light a topic of enormous relevance to life in society, especially in these times of the health crisis caused by the Covid-19 pandemic, which affects us all.

In 2014, I was confronted with the question of what peace means to me. After reflecting briefly, I replied, “More than the mere absence of war, peace, as a value and an asset, is a blessing that is achieved through tolerance, solidarity and respect for people’s differences.”

Dear friends,

The privileged geographical situation that the Cape Verde archipelago enjoys has made it—since the time of the first transatlantic maritime navigations in the fifteenth century, until this present global world—a wonderful point of cultural and strategic convergence.


The State of Cape Verde has always defended (by choice and by a Constitutional imperative) through its external relationships, the principles of peace, and the negotiated settlement of disputes and development.

Distinguished guests,

The Covid-19 pandemic has had repercussions not only of a biomedical and epidemiological nature on a global scale, but also social, economic, political, cultural and historical impacts unprecedented in the recent history of epidemics. This crisis is global and multifaceted. It is a health crisis, but it is also, without doubt, an economic, financial, social, environmental and often political crisis—shaping the development of almost the entire planet, and with negative consequences in the least developed countries. The pandemic obliges us, therefore, to reflect together on the world that we aspire to see, for ourselves and for generations to come.

It is necessary to move from the conceptual phase of a political option for peace, to a different stage, at which peace can assert itself as one of the major priorities in every dimension of life in society, beginning with education. I sincerely believe that the essential aspects of the intercultural framework are crucial elements for the promotion of a culture of peace, which must be the antidote to the cult of intolerance and predisposition to violence. In a cultural context consisting of the exchange of values, and communion, among different peoples, of permanent search for relationships, ethical dialogue—both within a civilization and between civilizations—can be the effective engine of development and world peace.

These should therefore be elements that shape the young entrepreneurship that is emerging everywhere, and that is becoming increasingly important. Therefore, I believe that in order to build a better world, to strengthen democracy and encourage citizenship, it is not only the economy that is important; values are also fundamental—and in this sense—I agree with the young people: change must begin now.

I conclude by saluting the memory of Reverend Dr. Sun Myung Moon, founder of the Universal Peace Federation, who through his philosophy of peace, created this unstoppable global humanitarian movement, continued by his wife and co-founder of this prestigious organization, Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, and for all who, like us Cape Verdeans, affirm the primacy of peace as a fundamental vector for the progress of humanity. Kind regards! 

Jorge Carlos de Almeida Fonseca has been president of Cape Verde since 2011.



He was a key figure in Timor Leste's struggle for independence from Indonesia, which they achieved in 2002. During the struggle for sovereignty, he was captured in 1993 and imprisoned until 1999 and then endured house arrest. He was president of his country 2002-2007 and prime minister 2007-2015.

Troubles Remain in Our Complex World

By Kay Rala Xanana Gusmão

Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen, It is an honor and a privilege to address you all at this fifth Rally of Hope.

I would like to start by honoring the victims of the Covid-19 pandemic, which has already killed over 2.3 million people throughout the world. Our thoughts and prayers are with them and their families.

At a time when this tragedy compels us to close our borders, virtually all of us must prepare to deal with a serious social and economic crisis that will further increase poverty and inequality in our countries. And so, I would like to see international cooperation and solidarity strengthened, so that poorer countries are not left behind! Vaccines must reach every person quickly and free of charge, and we must focus on global resilience rather than national.

Your Excellencies,

I would also like to thank Dr. Moon, co-founder of UPF, for her utmost dedication to promoting global peace and understanding. And let me also honor the memory of her late husband, Dr. Sun Myung Moon, so that we may continue his work of promoting greater solidarity between all peoples.


In 2019 I took part in the World Leaders' Gathering at the Asia Pacific Summit, in Cambodia. At the time we vowed to spare no effort in promoting peace, prosperity and universal values. However, I am saddened to see that war and conflict have not abated and that millions of men, women and children continue to suffer as before. For it to be truly possible to further peace and to quell terror, we must understand and believe that everyone truly matters. We must protect equality and universal values, and we must do so while respecting the uniqueness of every individual, society, and country.

Today's challenges are complex and require new stances and approaches. We must redesign the models of the past to adapt them to reality, or better yet, to the various realities. We must do our best to encourage dialogue between warring groups and amongst all those that can contribute to a solution, both within countries and outside.

Speaking from experience, both in my country, Timor-Leste, and in the group of fragile and conflict-affected countries called the G7+, I can say with certainty that fair peace means much more than the absence of conflict. It is paramount to also free people from hunger, disease, and poverty. We learned during our first years of independence that there can be no development without peace and no peace without development!

So, I say, ladies and gentlemen, that courage and resilience are the key words for today's challenges. Courage, so as not to give in to pessimism and not to stop trying, which would make the world's problems even worse. And resilience, so as to continue working to unite people within their diversity and to ensure that intensive dialogue and diplomacy prevail.

The international community must remain steadfast and show solidarity. We do not have time to waste any opportunity we have to do better, consistent with universal values, our interdependence and the strengthening of partnerships based on mutual respect.

We must do better for individuals and for the whole of humanity, until fair peace is both a right and a duty for every person in the world. Thank you very much. 

Mr. Gusmão was the first president of independent East Timor (2002–2007) prime minister (2007–2015) and has been the minister of Planning and Strategic Investment since 2015.

HEAVENLY PARENT'S HOLY COMMUNITY'S WORSHIP SERVICE



With the Spirit of Daffodils


True Mother delivered this address on January 17 from Cheon Jeong Gung to Korea's subregion five, the heavenly nation of Gyeongsang, at their regional Sunday Worship Rally of Hope for Heavenly Parent's Holy Community in the heavenly nation of Gyeongsang for the Realization of a heavenly unified Korea.



Clockwise from top-left: Dr. Yun was the master of ceremonies; Regional President Yeong-bae Park spoke; Various leaders from subregion five.



Leaders and other members of subregion five, with the spirit of daffodils, there is no victory that cannot be won. I felt gratitude toward you for your devoted and determined hearts. The heavenly nation of Gyeongsang, which possesses the spirit of daffodils, I congratulate you. Let's make a beautiful and bright daffodil garden.

When I heard your reports and achievements, I was very pleased. Thank you very much. You are striving with determination to fulfill your moral duty as citizens of Cheon Il Guk who have received immense grace and blessings from Heavenly Parent. I am very proud of you. I love you. When I received your reports, I told you that I would throw a feast for the stars. So, I would like us to now start with the pastor's reports and have a singing party. 

Be the First to Bloom

This was True Mother's January 24 address to Korea's subregion two, the heavenly nation of Gyeongwon, at their Worship Service of Hope for the Realization of Heavenly Parent's Holy Community and a heavenly unified Korea, which took place on Sunday, January 24. True Mother addressed members at the heavenly Gyeongwon Church as well as other members throughout Korea.



Leaders and members of the heavenly nation of Gyeongwon! Subregional chairman, Hwang-bo Guk, you spoke well. With a joyful heart I will wait for the day you bear the fruits of your work. You have worked hard. I would like to say one more thing:



Subregion five declared they will advance with the spirit of a daffodil. For the heavenly nation of Gyeongwon, it is the magnolia. When spring arrives, the magnolia flower is the first to bloom, even before the leaves come out. I understand that there is a place on Mt. Balwang where you can find many white magnolias. I truly love magnolias. We had big lily magnolia trees in East Garden and in Belvedere. The New York area has big lily magnolia trees, so when you catch a glimpse of a vista of the area in springtime, it is magnificent. That is why I am trying to have many magnolia trees planted here in Korea as well. The magnolia is a tree that grows quite large. I sincerely pray that the heavenly nation of

Gyeongwon will be no less than a daffodil, and grow into a big magnolia. Then, I feel we should probably have a celebration for the stars [referring to successful members]. But before that I would like to sing the "Song of April." Please sing along with me if you know the song.

*Under the shade of magnolia blossoms,
Is where I read Werther's letter.
On a hill covered with clouds,
Is where I play the flute.
Ah! Far away I go to a nameless harbor
Where I look up at the stars.
April illuminates the flames of life.
Tis the season of brightly shining dreams.
Tis the season of tearful rainbows. ♪*

Reminders of My Hometown

True Mother delivered this address on January 31 as the highlight of a heavenly nation of Jeolla Worship Service of Hope for the Realization of Heavenly Parent's Holy Community and a Heavenly Unified Korea. She spoke from Cheon Jeong Gung to members in the heavenly Jeolla headquarters building and online to all who tuned in.



Blessed families and members of the heavenly Jeolla nation, I love you. When I think of Jeolla Province, I picture my hometown. As a land of plains and granaries, Jeolla Province has received the many blessings of an agrarian culture. So when I hear mention of Jeolla, an image comes to my mind. There is a farm; you pass through a brushwood gate into an open yard in which has been placed a low wooden bench. Warm sunlight bathes a fence over which forsythias have thickly grown. Related to this, I remember a couple of lines from a children's song. I will sing them to you:


Plucking forsythia flowers with
their beaks,

byeong, byeong, byeong... a brood of
little chicks on a spring outing.

What do you feel?

If you cut a forsythia stem, regardless of where you plant it, it will put down roots and then blossom in the spring. I have decided on the forsythia as the flower of the Jeolla nation. Every spring during our time at Belvedere and East Garden, for almost forty or so years, the daffodils were always the first to herald the coming of spring, as I mentioned. I also told you of the big magnolia blossoms and trees there. After they blossomed, azaleas would come to full bloom. Next, were the double cherry blossoms! There was also a weeping cherry tree, a very beautiful tree indeed.

Yet, every year, something seemed to be missing. I realized it was because I had not seen a single forsythia. So I asked that forsythias be planted in one corner. They say the yellow forsythia flowers added to the beauty of the well-designed garden at the East Garden house.

Forsythias root very easily. So, based on the resolve you have expressed to "have all citizens of the Jeolla nation form blessed families," you will show that this forsythia can symbolically gain victory! That is why I am making the forsythia the flower of the nation of Jeolla. I believe that the nation of Jeolla can be restored in the shortest time. 

Symbols the Joy of Love

This was True Mother's message at the heavenly nation of Gyeong-in's Worship Service of Hope for the Realization of Heavenly Parent's Holy Community, in heavenly unified Korea, which took on February 21 at Cheon Jeong Gung, Cheon Bok Gung and online.



Blessed families, members, and ambassadors for peace participating in today's worship service! Heaven has allowed us this time, filled with grace and inspiration; thus, I would like to present to the nation of Gyeong-in, Korea's subregion one, the azalea as its "national" flower. As a spring flower, the azalea blooms with beautiful blossoms that last for an exceptionally long time. The symbolism associated with the azalea is the "joy of love."


In keeping with the meaning of this flower, I wish that not only the people of the Gyeong-in "nation" but also this entire nation of Korea comes to fully experience the joy of love. I sincerely hope that this nation will become one that attends our

Heavenly Parent, the embodiment of grace, receives True Parents' teachings, and thereby fulfills its mission and responsibilities as the chosen people blessed by God. I hope that the nation of Gyeong-in comes to play the role of a locomotive in drawing this whole country to the point of being an exemplary one in front of the world.

True Parents really love azaleas. In the spring at East Garden, the azaleas were in full bloom until May. They truly make a beautiful garden. Many providential accomplishments occurred there. We conducted the providence for forty or so years in the United States with the hope that by establishing the United States within providential history, Korea would become a

country that could fulfill its responsibility as the chosen people and as Heavenly Parent's homeland.

This we did solely to realize the dream of Heavenly Parent and this nation.... It was the providence conducted to realize humanity's hope and Heavenly Parent's dream of embracing everyone in his love, realizing the kingdom of heaven on earth, and living together in joy.

I am making the azalea the national flower of subregion one, as it is the representative political, economic, and cultural center of this country. With the hope that the people of Korea can properly know God's providence and fulfill their filial duty and loyalty as citizens of Cheon Il Guk, I give the azalea to the nation of Gyeong-in. I love you! 

True Mother's Message at the Heavenly Chungcheong Nation's Worship Service of Hope



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Top: We long to see you! We love you True Mother!
Leaders of Korea's five regions shout Oeg Mansei



I love you all. I sincerely thank you, Regional President Gyeong-deuk Ryu, for saying on my behalf what I wanted to say to everyone. I have chosen the *mugunghwa* as the national flower of the Chungcheong nation. The meaning of the *mugunghwa* [the rose of Sharon, hibiscus] is “unchanging heart.” Though there have been numerous twists and turns over the past six thousand years in the course of completing God’s providence, the providence has steadfastly continued with the ultimate goal of absolutely reaching its conclusion. In the same way, it is with that unchanging heart that we must usher in the day of victory whereon God’s will is realized

centered on True Parents. Until then, the mission of the nation of Chungcheong, represented by the unchanging rose of Sharon flower, is essential, particularly in the central role of expanding Korea’s influence to the world. In particular, the mission of the Cheon Il Guk national university [Sun Moon University] is essential as the central framework in which future leaders and talented people who will bring hope for the future are raised. I sincerely hope it will become a university advancing with an unchanging, unwavering heart toward the completion of God’s will. Your dreams will surely be realized! Thank you. ㄸ

Praise for Life-Long Loyalty

True Mother delivered this address on Sunday, February 7, from Cheon Jeong Gung via the Internet to Japan's FFWPU-Subregion One during their Hope-Filled Worship Service.



Beloved blessed families and leaders of heavenly Japan, I love you very much. Today, meaningfully, Sang-il Bang gave a sermon filled with resolve, with determination to bring absolute victory. As I listened to that sermon, I was so grateful that I shed some tears.

I was reminded briefly of True Father before his Holy Ascension. Contrary to those in my age group, True Father did not know many [children's] folk songs. Among the folk songs that True Father knew well was "*Halmigott*" a song about the grandmother flower, [also known as the pasqueflower.] I'm sure you remember this song. True Father sang and danced to the tune of this song many times when we had entertainment.

*Pasqueflower, crooked
stooping pasqueflower behind the hill.
Were you already old when you sprouted,
ho-ho, white-haired pasqueflower?*

I reflected on why True Father liked this flower. It represents loyalty. Loyalty! Loyalty at a young age and loyalty in old age—unchanging loyalty. If you look at the lyrics, you can see that they hold sad memories. Looking at the fallen world from Heaven's point of view, it has a truly miserable, sad past. However, if we become victorious through True Parents, a path that allows us to march forward to Heavenly Parent will appear. Through this process of unchanging loyalty, in return, we receive blessings. Isn't this truly hopeful? [Applause]

That is why Father called Japan the Mother nation, considering its mission as the Eve nation. I believe that True Father gave this song to Japan with this intention—that Japan keep going forward with the wish that it be like that flower, with a loyal and unchanging heart toward Heaven. [Applause]. The responsibility of Japan is particularly important.

Such a time does not come often. This time, all of you have made the determination to achieve national restoration. If you reach this great victory, as the mother nation, you can show to the entire world that hand in hand with me, miracles can be accomplished. I hope that politicians and blessed families of Japan will be able to achieve this victory. 7

Adjust as Circumstances Change

By Jeong-hui Kim



Since 2018, my husband, a pastor, and I have been carrying out Cosmic Blessing Ceremonies and Rallies of Hope to become heavenly tribal messiahs. We have been victorious in blessing 430 couples. We were victorious due to Heaven's grace and the great grace of God's only daughter, True Mother. In truth, even after blessing 430 couples, we were not finished; we needed to complete the liberation of all eight lines of the 430-generations of ancestors. To liberate and bless our ancestors in the spirit world, we needed both internal and material conditions. Therefore, together with our members, we began a twenty-one-day midnight prayer condition and then a forty-day midnight prayer condition from midnight until 4:00 AM.

Once we had a foundation of faith, we needed to make a foundation of substance. We divided the village and towns of Yeong-weol County among the members and encouraged the members to establish hoondok family churches and to do service projects. The members began taking responsibility for every aspect and did their best in the duties given to them. The members continuously did service projects, conducting singing classes, exercise classes, recreational outings, etc., and made and distributed dumplings in the winter.


Externally, through the affection built up through these projects that began from when we were first appointed to our position until the Covid crisis, we had held open worship services once a month for all people in the county. During these services, we introduced True Parents' teachings and served a meal. Many times, the chapel was so full that our members did not have chairs

to sit on. That time was truly joyful and happy. As the energy continued to rise and we were moving forward, the Covid crisis hit us.

Because we are people of faith, we decided not to pause in providing True Parent's teachings to others for even one day, and we began online worship services right away. We accomplished our vertical foundation through those worship services, but for a horizontal foundation, even though no place asked for us to come, we continued our service projects to set a standard in Heaven's presence. We then began disinfection service projects.

To establish forty-three couples, we held a three-day online workshop from December 23–25. Right now, the most important thing is to establish our couples, yet because of the coronavirus, new members were unable to come to church. Therefore, we would call to tell them how to join the workshop online, and we would directly visit those who were unable to understand and download the app to their phones; we'd explain how they could take part in the service. After doing this numerous times, about forty people connected with us online, listened to the Divine Principle and completed the workshop.

Dear members, this has been a difficult time for everyone hasn't it? When I searched for answers, I realized the answer is if we enter the Cheonbowon, having established forty-three families, Heaven will take responsibility for everything else. Dear members, let us unite with God's only daughter, True Mother, and invest everything we have as if our lives were on the line. Let us bring results through prayer and devotion for a victorious 2027 and absolutely complete the responsibilities given to us.

Let us all establish our forty-three couples and offer the joy and glory of our victory to our True Mother, God's only daughter, who is unable to sleep at night because of us. True Mother, do not worry. We will absolutely be victorious in 2027. True Mother, God's only daughter, I love you. 

Mrs. Kim gave this testimony on January 24, representing Korea's region two, during Hyojeong Sharing Time at the Hyojeong Cultural Center.



Cooperative Efforts to Reach 430 Couples

By So-soung Likane and Jeong-in Han



My name is So-soung Likane and I am a second-generation member from Cote d'Ivoire, Africa. My wife is a second-generation member whose parents are of Korean and Japanese descent. On March 24, 2012, we received the last Blessing from True Parents before True Father's Holy Ascension. Over the next nine years, Heaven blessed us with three children—a boy named Tongil (Unification), and two girls named Sarang (Love) and Gippeum (Joy). These children are wonderful treasures from heaven that give us a real sense of unity, love and joy in our family.

Dreams and goals in life (Jeong-in Han)

As True Parents' child, I always had a dream of going to Africa and building a school there. So I offered many prayers for Africa. And then I started to think about the Blessing. I thought to myself that somehow my dream might come true quickly if I were blessed with an African brother. With the firm determination to receive the Blessing with an African, I participated in the matching. At the matching ceremony, I walked forward with my head down and when I lifted it to look around, everything seemed blurry except my future husband's face. I walked over to him and held out my hand to him, and he accepted me. [N. B.: During the matching ceremony in 2012, True Father asked the sisters to choose their husband.] Since then, my husband graduated from Sun Moon University through the Wonmo Pyeongae Scholarship from True Mother. Today, he is engaged in a public mission at the FFWPU International Headquarters, and he devotes he

himself with all his heart to True Parents.

True Mother has reminded us many times that we should unite with her completely. So I asked myself this question: "How can I become one with True Mother?" My response was that by becoming one with my birth mother, I could also become one with True Mother. I appealed to my mom regarding this, and we just happened to share the same opinion. We decided to embark on the activities of becoming heavenly tribal messiahs together.

Success in of heavenly tribal messiah activities (So-soung Likane)

During a Sunday service, the church leader asked members who were ready to bless 430 couples as part of their heavenly tribal messiah activities to please raise their hands. At the time, my wife immediately raised her hand. I was amazed. I said to her, "Can we go all the way? It is an extremely difficult task." However, my wife gave her best effort and my mother-in-law was always there to accompany us.

(Jeong-in Han)

Our first tribal messiah Blessing Ceremony took place in a small town within the city of Pyeongtaek, where a number of people with the Han surname live. However, the result was disastrous. For some reason, a faithful evangelical Protestant, of a rather advanced age, came into the room and cried out in an angry tone, "What are you doing here? Get out all of you!" He thus took with him all the people who were seated in the room to attend the ceremony. We were disappointed but never thought of giving up. I started to think about what to do, and from there we were bold and that gave us more



confidence and courage to carry out all of our Blessing Ceremonies. When I think back to being recorded successfully in the Cheonbowon, I tell myself that this is a task I could not have done on my own.

Three months after starting the activities, I got pregnant. This was my third child and suddenly I started to worry, "Will I be able to continue activities with enthusiasm after the birth of my child? Am I able to go all the way?" I then said to myself that if the Heavenly Parent granted me the grace of giving me this child, we must go all the way and become a Cheonbo family. But it was not an easy task. If there is one thing that I am infinitely grateful for, it is the invaluable support we received from my mother. [Mother and daughter are pictured above.] During our many trips in my state of pregnancy, she always drove me by car. On her own, she prepared *galbitang* (a traditional Korean dish consisting of a light soup with beef ribs), first removing the blood from the beef by soaking it in water and making sure the dish was cooked properly, because I was not able to help her. She kept pacing back and forth to make sure everything was okay. I think she probably completely exhausted her body after so much effort. Nonetheless, she guided me and kept encouraging me to persevere even during my pregnancy. Whenever I felt exhausted, I remembered 'True Parents' words, and they motivated me to see it through. I also believe that the victory we have achieved is that of True Parents, who have always pushed us and paved the way for us to free the ancestors of the 430 couples.

I offer infinite acclaim to True Parents. True Mother, thank you very much. I sincerely thank True Parents, who sent me such a great husband despite all of my faults. Mother, we have a dream that will give you joy, so we want you to live a long and healthy life on earth. We will give our best effort until your dream comes true and you can live happily every day. True Parents, we are both sorry and grateful for everything. We will love you forever. 7P

Heavenly Parent's Character Is in All of Us

By Kuk-jin Jeong and Jeong-hyeon Eom



We received the Blessing in the 2018 True Parents' Cosmic Blessing. I am Kuk-jin Jeong. And I am his wife, Jeong-hyeon Eom.

Kuk-jin Jeong:

For my military service, I was a part of a search squad. Because it was a squad, not many people were in it, but the names of my senior soldiers were remarkable. There was a David Yun, a Joseph Lee, a Moses Gu and the highlight was a Jesus Min. One of my seniors from among them, as soon as he saw me, looked at me and said, "You are Satan so don't even talk to me." When I heard that, at first I felt hurt but then I began to think that I could even love that person.

As I fulfilled my military duty, I didn't care about how my senior officer thought about me, but I respected him as being senior to me. When it was time for him to be discharged, he came up to me and said, "Let's meet up when you are out of the military." When I experienced that, I realized that each of us individually can change the view of our Unification Movement through our actions.

I began public work because I wished to tell many people about Heavenly Parent, who lives to love humankind and who wishes to love them, and to tell many people that it was True Parents, who attend Heavenly Parent, that taught me about Heavenly Parent.

Every evening I take the time to talk about and share about how I spent my day. Since there is a difference in how we live each day, it is through continuous communication that we can close gaps. I also make an effort to say I love you at least three times a day.

Jeong-hyeon Eom:

On the first day we interacted, he said to me, "A person who likes flowers will pick a flower, but a person who loves flowers will give it water." I thought that is also true for married couples. I remember that I was truly moved by those words and thought, "That is true. Husband and wife should cherish each other and help each other grow."

Even at home he will say, "Jeong-hyeon, you are a wonderful mother." I feel so much joy every time he tells me this. I know I am sometimes lacking as a mother, but every time he tells me this, I feel comforted. It encourages me. I feel that it is important for couples to often tell each other they love and respect each other. This will help their relationship.

Kook-jin Jeong:

During the Rallies of Hope, True Mother expressed her worry regarding nature and the environment. Every time she speaks about it, I wish that Youth and Students for Peace becomes an organization that acts and truly practices True Mother's message and realizes that we must become an organization that can do that.

Heavenly Parent has embedded character in all of us. True Mother has told us to become the greatest in each of our fields. Therefore, it is my belief that our job is to give support so that all of our individual characters can truly shine.

I wish for YSP to become an organization that each local social group needs, so we can realize the world of peace that True Mother dreams of. For example, I wish for us to become an organization that is needed in Jeonju and become a good influence on society.



to bring about positive change in communities.

Also, I am someone that wandered away for a long time, and on the front line, I meet a lot of people that are still wandering too. I see students who are distressed or who worry on their own. They have no older person to talk to and it is difficult for them to talk to their parents. When I see them change after someone tells them “Heavenly Parent still loves you and True Parents are cheering you on” and they come back and work to realize True Parents dream, I, too, wish to realize True Parents dream, the dream of hyo jeong with those transformed students.

The director of subregion four always says, “We must become a heavenly Jeolla nation in which the family is happy.” In order to put that into practice, we have participated in continuous service projects. Last year we helped to repair flood damaged areas and other service projects. We continue to do projects, thereby putting True Mother’s messages into practice. Due to this, the local government continues to accept YSP’s registration and universities continue to accept our club registration too.

Beloved True Mother,

We will first realize one cosmic family under Heavenly Parent. Our family will first become that kind of family and become a model for the world. We will work hard to become a family that can show the world how to live in attendance to Heavenly Parent. Also, as YSP, we will continue to run forward to reach True Mother’s expectations.

True Parents, we love you! Thank you. 

A Letter to True Mother

Dearest True Mother,

I miss you very much. The weather is getting very cold. Mother, please take care of your precious health.

On the first day of snow, the wind fluttered lightly and the snow covering everything in white was so beautiful that I sat alone, looking out the window. It was like a love letter from Heavenly Parent. The snow resembled you, Mother, so it reminded me of you. It was so beautiful that I wanted you to see it. I wondered what you would think if you were watching it now, and if it would make you happy.

A few days ago, I saw you in a dream. You came to our Korean Language Education Center dormitory and sat at the table in the kitchen, and we stood around you. You asked many questions and made sure we were well, asking if we had hot water, whether the rooms were not cold, whether we were eating well, and if we had everything we needed. True Mother, thank you so much for appearing in my dream. You do not have to worry about anything, because we are healthy, eating well and studying Korean hard.

Mother, I am happy to receive this scholarship, which came from selling the helicopter that served as True Parents' hands and feet and is filled with so much love, sacrifice and expectations. Thanks to this scholarship, I am able to be in Korea, the same land as True Parents. Not only am I physically very close to you, but by learning Korean in a beautiful environment, I can now understand True Parents' teachings directly, so I am heartistically closer to you as well. I'm so thankful and happy that I cannot possibly express everything here.

Beloved True Mother, I came to Korea for this fall semester and took the UPA entrance exam as soon as I finished the two weeks of quarantine. Before taking the test, I stayed up two nights studying the Divine Principle and preparing documents. However, I had a hard time during the physical fitness test, because I was not in good shape. I realized how much I lacked not only a good mind but also a strong body, which is needed to be a leader who can be True Parents' hands and feet. After that day, I exercised every

morning. Starting from the very bottom, I am improving my physical strength little by little. Still, it was insufficient and many times I wondered, how can I be of use to Heavenly Parent and True Parents if I cannot do even this? So I felt very sorry; my heart was heavy. However, at a recent Heavenly Treasures camp, the sports instructor complimented me on my running. I was encouraged a lot because it seemed Heavenly Parent was saying that I did a good job, and I enjoyed exercising more after that.

Through running, not only was I able to train my body, but I often felt Heavenly Parent's heart. When I couldn't breathe and my body couldn't go on anymore, every second was a fight over whether I would stop or keep running. Each time, I thought of you, True Mother, because you kept on moving forward shedding holy blood, sweat, and tears, even when the pain was unbearable. I thought of how hard it must have been for True Mother and Heavenly Parent, who have no choice but to run forward for the sake of all the sons and daughters all over the world, not knowing when they will be able to rest. It is said that a tremendous and overwhelming happiness flows when the mother finally embraces the baby she gave birth to after a long labor. I will continue to run with Heavenly Parent and True Parents until the end, imagining True Mother in happiness on the day all humanity, even the last person, is embraced in Mother's bosom. I will learn more and grow to be a daughter who resembles True Parents and that you can be proud of.

I miss you, True Mother. I love you so much. Please take care of your health. I love you!

Your daughter, Anna



