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A Victorious 2023 Through Hope and Determination

Yun Young-ho,
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To leap far in 2023, the year of the black rabbit, we need to start strongly, with both feet firmly on the ground. This means we need to find a good balance on two axes with spirit and truth, a heavenly unified Korea and the heavenly unified world, pastors and members, True Parents and leaders. I ask all of you to make this your focus in 2023.

I want to take some time to outline the direction for our historic leap forward in 2023. True Mother has arranged things so that the international headquarters in Cheon Jeong Gung is positioned to carry the role of headquarters for the entire movement. Since she designated Korea as a special continent, the providence in Korea can now be managed by the international headquarters together with the rest of the movement. With that in mind, I will outline three primary directions for the international headquarters.

The first is completing the successful dedication of the Cheon Won Gung Cheonil Sanctum to create the groundwork for the safe establishment of a heavenly unified Korea and to open the gate wide to a new heaven and earth. The second is to absolutely complete continent-level foundations and connect them to Korea for VISION 2027. The third is opening the gate to the age of a heavenly unified Korea and its secure settlement with victory in VISION 2027. With these three goals in mind, I would like to describe three core projects that will move us in that direction.

The first core project is to continue with the four types of innovation that we have been pursuing. The first initiative connected to that is organizational innovation. Currently, FFWPU, UPF, YSP, and the Elder Members Association are organized in all the sub-regions and major districts of Korea. This will be expanded to the local districts and churches, including worship in the CheonBo Family Churches, officially inaugurated on January 8.


Secondly, we will have an innovation in worship. Through the services "Peace Nuri," "Hyo Jeong Nuri," and "Hope Nuri," the international headquarters is creating a culture of worship for the public of the Heavenly Parent's Holy Community. We plan to link these services with the Cheonshim Cheonbo guide. In this regard, consultations on worship services will take place directly at the international headquarters to achieve a change in the worship culture of the Heavenly Parent's Holy Community. In addition, with the opening of the worship academy, we will strengthen the implementation of the Cheonshim Cheonbo guide in the Anh Shik-il and Shi-il services. In addition, the monthly service for the salvation of the nation will be held as part of the realization of a heavenly unified Korea. We will establish a culture of worship in which the service's essence focuses on creating churches where all members are happy.

Thirdly, there will be a reform of the church leadership function. This year we intend to implement a roadmap to establish a church leadership system, and we will make sure that everything is based on a ministry that is more in tune with technology. Many people today use phones and laptops. So we will create a system and an environment through which all church leaders can effectively use technology in their duties.

Fourth and last, we will have an innovation in the churches. Most importantly, there will now be a system of sub-temples and substantial temples when the Cheonbo home churches start. For the church to become a place of sharing love for all members, we will have to be active and prepare various contents every day of the week. Thus, we aim to complete the development of related financial resources to improve the church environment by 2027.

The second key project will be creating the environment for heavenly unified Korea. We must create momentum at the continental level and propagate it to the Korean level. Then we need to develop a plan covering the period from 2024 to 2027.

The final core project is to create a foundation for the United Nations. As True Mother said, "Religion is the way to find our True Parent, that is God, our Heavenly Parent." The key is to serve our Heavenly Parent with freedom of religion. Therefore, the Peace Charter must be based on universal human rights and religious freedom.

In that sense, I congratulate all of you on a job well done in 2022. I hope that in 2023, as True Mother said today, with the status of a heavenly unified nation and a heavenly unified world, blessed families around the world will unite with determination and resolve as they raise their hopes to Heavenly Parent and True Parents. 

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Please Achieve Everything Through Us

January 1, 1961




Our Father, who loves the pitiful Korean people among all peoples, please let the day come quickly on which You can demonstrate to the world Your heart of love for this them. We know that, unknown to others, You chose this people and drove them into a pitiful situation due to the Will of Your mighty providence. We also know well that, in front of all peoples, we must attend You as our Father.

Please allow us to realize once again that each time this people walked a difficult course in history, You were the Father of sorrow. You are the Father, our Father, who has endured endless pain and suffering; and You are the Father, our Father, who held and wept over Your many children as they died shedding blood and tears. You have personally reached out to us with Your own hands of life and love, in order to find Your sons and daughters. You are the pioneer of pioneers. You have personally carried out Your work as the King of pioneers, yet today the 30 million people of this nation do not know You.

They should have become a people who looked forward to the day when they could attend You, but thus far they have not done so. Still, please bear with them. We know well that, from the past to the present, the people that You have called have let behind a flawed history, in every age. Please forgive this people. The more we repent for the course of history, the more we should be able to uphold Your heart. Yet that is not the case with this people. Hence, the more You toil for this people, the more we feel that we cannot even lift up our heads before You. This is because we know how great Your efforts have been to find this people.

Now that Your sons and daughters gathered here have come to know the Will and their mission, please pioneer the course of restoration through them. We know that we are the people who must become living sacrifices to welcome that one day of the Sabbath and attend and comfort You, our Father who has endeavored until now to find this people, even if it means our blood is shed and our flesh is shredded. We know that this must be done within a generation. Since we represent this people, this world, heaven and earth, and the many spirits who have fallen down while following the path of righteousness, we earnestly hope and pray, Father, that You will guide us to make a new resolution and determination at this hour.

Father, we know that, in this age, many people put things aside to fight for their own happiness, but very few people will put everything aside to fight for the one day of Your Sabbath. However, Your young sons and daughters are spread out in various places and are fighting because they wish to stand close to Your heart of anguish, as You continue to unfold the ideal that can bring the global mission to a conclusion. Even at this hour, are there any members who are lying face down on their beds, shedding tears? Father, please be with them. Since I know that You are the Father who guides these lonely people and stands with them, and the Father who looks after us when we are about to fall down, I believe, Father, that You will be with us at this hour. Please personally guide us and hold fast to us. Father, I sincerely hope and pray that You will allow us to become pioneers who can fulfill the new mission and responsibility that we have been given. Please guide this people who do not know how to enter Your embrace, and permit us to shoulder the responsibility of high priests as Your sons and daughters, in order to liberate even a small part of Your heart, which harbors excruciating pain.


Let this be a time in which those of us gathered here today can promise to begin anew with fresh resolve and determination. I will endeavor to take responsibility for what remains to be done, and I ask that You will entrust us with Your Will. Please accomplish everything through us. I humbly pray these things in the name of the Lord. Amen! (Aju!) 

Let's Light up the World with a Beacon of Hope

*2023 New Year Speech to CIG Leaders
January 3, 2023 - HJ Heaven and Earth CheonBo Training Center*



Beloved leaders, blessed families, and members throughout the world! The new year of the black rabbit has dawned, in which your most earnest wishes will become tangible beacons of hope and illuminate all of humankind. This year, the 11th of Cheon Il Guk, which sees the conclusion of a 10-year cycle and a new beginning, is the year of the black rabbit filled with indescribable delight and joy in which the providence unfolds substantially on earth together with the dream and wish of the Creator, our Heavenly Parent and with True Parents. Like a rabbit, be industrious and fruitful. This is the year of an intelligent, well-loved animal that people cannot treat thoughtlessly. Notably, the color black draws in all light. No one can deny the warmth we feel as we gradually receive more heat from the sun. In other words, all the unpleasant things that were unsatisfactory last year are gone. I hope that centered on Heavenly Parent, you will become united blessed families and Cheonbo couples that can newly cherish and embrace people in all situations, and that you ultimately become blessed families that are respected and spoken of with pride as victors in front of Heaven and all of humankind.

This country, which lies at the center of Heavenly Parent's realm—the realm Heavenly Parent directly governs—must become the heavenly unified Korea, mustn't it? For this, I sincerely ask all of you to become filial sons and daughters that unite in heart and will to substantially achieve Heavenly Parent's dream. 





A SELECTION OF PRAYERS AND SPEECHES FOR THE NEW YEAR BY TRUE PARENTS

True Parents have lived their entire lives focusing only on the Will of Heavenly Parent for the salvation of humankind and the establishment of a world of peace. They have brought tremendous hope to the people of this world as they worked day and night, sharing their words and substantial achievements for those goals. In her 2023 New Year's Message, True Mother shared about the direction that the members of the Family Federation must go to complete the foundation we must create to be victorious in accomplishing Heavenly Parent's Will, and she prayed about how to bring new hope to the people of the world. Even though we may enter a new era, and our fortune may undergo changes, the course destiny that Heaven has set for humankind and the Family Federation continues in the same direction as always as we seek to complete the mission Heaven has given us. We hope that through True Parents' message, our members can resonate with the heart and mind of True Parents and join together in one heart as we attend True Parents in 2023, the year of the black rabbit, to move toward one united world.

Let us be Victorious

Father! We had a very complex year in 1963. At this historical moment, when Your pain has not yet been alleviated, we cannot help but think that it was a year in which Your sorrowful course intensified, and today, at this very moment, we are receiving the new morning of 1964. Let us not forget that if we have life, it is thanks to Your work and that if we are proud of anything, it is also due to the price of Your blood. We come before You with all our devotion and solemn attitude, renewed, to listen to the





voice that arises from your heart, crying out to these sons and daughters so unworthy of You. Guide us, that we may be children who appeal to You with tears, ready to go the way of death, however difficult the road may be, to fulfill Your desire. (January 1, 1964, Former Headquarters, Seoul)

Defense of the Unified Front

Father! In the face of your will to restore a country, the Unificationist community scattered throughout the world must unite. Let us understand, once again, that regardless of personal desires, there is a path of Heaven which the spiritual world cannot fulfill, even if thousands of years pass. Let us reflect today on the past, let us solemnly kneel before You and let the position of the members of the Unification Church take the solemn position of pledging to possess a heart of loyalty and filial piety. Knowing that this is the way of those of us who carry your mission, we pray that you will guide us to unite before your longed-for will. We know that in the course of the restoration you have gone through it all and we know very well with what heart You console those who suffer immense loneliness and pain. I pray fervently with the desire that You will joyfully guide them in the paths ahead of them and that they will be a congregation gathered together to be forerunners of the ideal foundation in which You may find rest. (Sun Myung Moon January 1, 1972, Washington, D.C.)

Be victorious

You may well know that three years have passed in the course of 7, and we have four years ahead of us; when we think about it, we have to feel how pressing our mission is now and how distressing our situation is. What should we do, then, during this period? We will have to restore the homeland for God. You should know what your responsibility will be in the next four years to create a safe and secure foundation where you can be free and welcome wherever you go, from the individual level to the family, tribal, and even national level. You may not quite understand why I repeatedly ask you to do certain things, but I do it because everything has a purpose. If I put you through suffering, it is to establish you in a victorious subjective position. Knowing this, the more difficult it is, the more you must be strong and courageous, for all the paths ahead will be difficult. You should proudly assume your responsibility, overcome it, and be determined to take control of all those difficulties and sorrows. From now on, you will receive orders from God and undergo great trials. If God does not command them, I will have to do it. If I do not do it, Mother will have to do it. The vertical (providential) work has to go through 3 generations. Just as Joshua and Caleb fought for God and overcame, there will be times when they will be tested, to see if they can overcome or not. I hope you will understand how important our responsibility is and that you will do everything in your power in this journey that I am on. (January 1, 1965, Former Headquarters, Seoul)

Let Us Make a Full Advance

All of us gathered here already know the will (of God). We are people who are determined to give our lives for the will and who have gone through a course of struggle. Therefore, you will have to be even more aware that you have committed yourselves before God to assume the responsibility of this era, in a flesh and blood relationship with God. Now, from this year 1968, there is much to do, but I



cannot tell you all of it here today. We must not only fulfill our mission for Korea, but also our mission for the rest of the world. I have been much resisted and persecuted, for having grown the church to what it is today; but seen according to God's providence, I did not feel any pangs of conscience. If I had not done what I did, there was no way to prepare a victorious foundation like the one we have today. (January 1, 1968)

Creation and Building of the Fatherland - A Stony, Graveled Path

Our path is a pioneering one. The pioneering path is not easy; it is stony and gravelled. It is difficult and tough. Sometimes the pathway can only be opened by a dynamite explosion. That is the way we have to go. Nobody has understood history, especially the history of restoration. I have been pioneering the path of restoration. We have come this far, and I say to you that we have won great victory up to this moment.

So many people in history have come to this earth and have undertaken the pioneering path. The path of the spiritual pioneer is always difficult, but the pioneering course of the Unification Church today is the most difficult; it is the path of supreme difficulty. The Unification Church path, which is also my path, has a universal meaning. It started from the bottom of hell and ascended to Heaven's highest part. Thus it contains the highest possible theological dimension.

I want you to understand that God would not give you a precious gift without asking you to fulfill a certain responsibility. We are about to receive the most cosmic, eternal gift from God; thus, our responsibility is equal to that. We cannot expect such a blessing to come to us easily. Those who deserve the highest place here and in the spirit world only earn it by pursuing the most challenging and thorny path. That is the way we come to deserve God's blessing. (January 1, 1985, Midnight Speech – World Mission Center, Grand Ballroom)

Let Us Make a Full Advance

From now on, 1968, the members of the Unification Church find themselves in the situation of having to make a breakthrough on all fronts. They will have to move forward with clear objectives. The present objective to be pursued by the Unification Church is the Republic of Korea; we must restore all the Korean people. You must know clearly that we have been entrusted with this mission. We can only expect results if you are clearly aware that you eat, sleep and work to achieve this goal. You can expect results depending on how clear the goal is and how hard you pray and strive. We must make 1968 a victorious year in which God can rejoice. So I hope that you will be able to offer to God completely this first year of the second 7-year course and I ask you to please strive to make it so. (January 1, 1968)

Let us make this the most successful year of our life

This year you will have to achieve what you have never achieved before. What I want to ask you to do is to make this year the year one in which you can offer the most remarkable achievements to God in the course of your life. We must avoid having to repent for not taking the Word seriously. By making your maximum efforts in every way and every one, having contributed to God's will during your



lives, you will save face. Still, especially this year, you should obtain maximum results in your areas of mission. In that way, God will never forget you. I hope you will dedicate yourselves with diligence and sincerity, striving for maximum achievements in your lives this year. (January 1, 1960, Former Headquarters, Seoul)

Oeg Mansei to the sacred reign of cosmic peace

Cosmic Peace! Cheon Il Guk! A sacred reign! Eog Mansei! Cheonju Pyeongwa [Universal Peace] refers to the land and house in which God can live. Is the term “cosmic peace” an adjective? Which part is the subject? We can say, “the sacred reign of peace in Cheon Il Guk, the realm of cosmic peace.” What sacred, glorious reign are we talking about? [That of Cheon Il Guk!] Even if we have Cheon Il Guk, if we do not have the ideal God originally had in mind for the creation, an environment where we can live together with God. Cheon Il Guk doesn’t help us at all, Because we don’t have what we need in the environment. What is TaePyung [Literally: Great Peace]? The source and beginning of the reign of peace, of a great unifying, is what we call TaePyung. TaePyung means that if you want to become one, for all of you to become one, first, you have to make peace. You have to create harmony. In this sense, what we mean by TaePyung Seongdae [the glorious reign of peace] is a truly wonderful age, a truly wonderful world in which happiness can continue forever and ever without end. And that’s not all. What’s next? Eog mansei! Because we love that sacred, glorious reign of cosmic peace, we say, “Eog mansei!” [May it last forever!] Over and over again. We can live together for a hundred million years, proud in the authority of joyful liberation! Eog mansei! (January 1, 2007 –Cheon Jeong Palace)

National Prayer to Open the Era for a Heavenly Unified Korea, True Mother’s New Year Speech

Beloved blessed families and members here and watching through the live broadcast around the world: I love you! I proclaim that we are proud blessed families standing at the forefront who will absolutely fulfill our Heavenly Parent’s dream and what humanity has longed for.

The original owner of the universe is the Creator, God. The Creator, God is the owner; unless God recognizes a nation, that nation cannot claim anything for itself. We need to help people understand God. Our Creator God made all things in Heaven and on earth and then created a man and a woman capable of becoming humankind’s good ancestors. He gave them special privileges. During their growth period, they were to grow in absolute unity with God; after receiving God’s blessing, they would have been in the position of humankind’s true ancestors, the True Parents, in whom God would have dwelt substantially. God is an omnipotent and omniscient being. His beginning and end are the same. So, God must absolutely be victorious. However, giving humans special privileges became problematic, so God waited six thousand years for the True Parents to arise from fallen humanity to bring victory back to God. While waiting, God blessed this peninsula, the Republic of Korea. In that case, shouldn’t the citizens of the Republic of Korea receive True Parents’ blessing? You have to fulfill your responsibilities. Please push for the citizens of the Republic of Korea to qualify as citizens of Cheon Il Guk. (January 1, 2019 – Cheongshim Peace World Center)



We shouldn't forget Heavenly Parent in our daily life

We should not forget about our Heavenly Parent in our daily life. We should be able to preserve the earth, which God created, the Creator, during our earthly lives. Our mission is to witness to and educate people. Fallen people must go through restoration.

What we have to do is to witness. Next, we must enlarge our influence on our surroundings and be able to preserve the beautiful creation that our Heavenly Parent made with all his strength. Please think of the many damages inflicted on the entire world today due to man's ignorance.


Human beings must be awakened from ignorance and preserve the environment well. We must save the dying land and oceans. We must do it. We cannot deny responsibility for this.

We are all part of the Unification family. We are one family. With this objective in mind, we must strive to achieve this purpose with one heart and one Will wherever we are. Do you understand? Let us become true devoted sons and daughters who can achieve higher results with every passing month and year through which our Creator, the Heavenly Parent, can delight in and trust us. We must not become people who keep changing. I trust that you will act responsibly with a sense of ownership in all respects where responsibility is required. This is your message of blessings as this New Year starts. Just like the motto I gave you mentions, let us become true owners of Cheon Il Guk that practice true love resembling our Creator, the Heavenly Parent. This motto does not imply our becoming so later but becoming so now. It means we must be victorious. We should not think of it as something we will do in the future but as a motto we should achieve now. Even though the first anniversary of Foundation Day is around the corner, please make strong determinations and advance with this heart. (January 1, 2014 –Hoon Dok Hae – Cheon Jeong Gung)

Witness with Confidence in this New Year

Truly I tell you, you must now teach about it openly. Why the need for hesitation? We have so much to be proud of.

In this regard, I wish that all of you who are preparing to welcome this new year of the tiger, can become leaders who are preparing for a year in which you spread the life-giving blessings of Heaven widely. [applause] I've said this before: You are experiencing the golden age by living and breathing in the same era as I do.

You are in a blessed position in which you can boast to Heaven of the fruits of your efforts. It is truly a pity for a good shepherd who cannot harvest during the harvest season. You must harvest numerous fruits. That's the way to ensure the future. Therefore, in this era of establishing Cheon Il Guk, I believe that you are not entitled to retirement. I wish you all—men, women, young and old—to bear great fruit in this golden age of your lives. (January 8, 2022 – HJ Heaven and Earth Training Center) 

Celebrating True Parents' Birthday

Calling for a healthy and victorious year of the black rabbit in 2023 for all the Family Federation members around the world, leaders, and central members, along with four generations of True Parent's family gathered with True Parents at Cheon Jeong Gung. They offered bows of greetings for the start of the lunar new year.

True Mother was radiantly beautiful in an elegant Korean hanbok, and she spread happiness and hope to everyone as she implored that their prayers, dreams and wishes for 2023 would be fulfilled.

To commemorate the occasion, True Mother took photos with the families who had brought their 3rd generation children and a group photo with all the members who attended.





Family of Moon Shin-bok (first son of Moon Ye-jin)
 Family of Moon Shin-chul (first son of Moon Hyo-jin)
 Family of Moon Shin-heung (second son of Moon Hyo-jin)
 True Mother with Moon Jeong-yi (first daughter in Moon Shin-bok's family),
 Moon Jeong-ah (first daughter in Moon Shin-heung's family)



Luncheon to Commemorate True Parents' Birthday

FFWPU held a Special Luncheon to Commemorate the Birthday of the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind on the sixth day of the 1st month in the 11th year of Cheon Il Guk (27 Jan) at HJ Garden Hall with True Family and about 1000 Cheon Il Guk leaders and core members attending. Leaders from overseas also participated through two-way broadcasts.

International Headquarters Director General Yun Young-ho led the gathering, which included a gyeongbae bow of respect, a hyojeong offering, ceremonial cake cutting, congratulatory messages (Cheon Il Guk leaders, overseas VIPs, representative blessed families), True Parents' message, a hyojeong prayer, determination for victory (Moon Hyo-jin and Moon Heung-jin's families), the luncheon banquet, hyojeong cultural performances, and cheers of Eog mansei.

True Mother's Message

Beloved blessed families, ambassadors for peace and members all over the world! In particular, dignitaries from all over the world who sent congratulatory messages for our Birthday this time! I thank you sincerely.

As we begin the year of the black rabbit, I pray that the lamp of hope is lit so that all of humankind, all religions and the histories of our civilizations so they all become one under Heavenly Parent's Holy Community.

So, together with all of you Cheon Il Guk citizens, I received New Year greetings from world leaders as we ushered in the new year. As of now, the Cheon Il Guk Heavenly Calendar and the Lunar New Year will begin with the celebration of the Holy Birth of the True Parents.

To put it more clearly, for the leaders who worked hard attending Father on 1 Jan throughout that time, there must have been many difficult circumstances where you couldn't do this or that. But from now on, I am giving you the freedom to be there for your extended families (tribes) on the Lunar New Year holiday. And the heavenly calendar is to begin from the True Parents' Birthday. Today is the first day of the year of the black rabbit, therefore. Do you understand? [Yes!] (Applause)

So, I send you my love and blessings. The Cheon Il Guk song "Il Song Jeong," for which I wrote the words, was composed by my granddaughter, and will be sung by Shin-chul, Shin-heung, Shin-jin, and Shin-nyuh. It is a song that conveys my heart. Please listen closely.

[True family 3rd generation members sing "Il Song Jeong"]

*A pine tree standing tall in front of Cheon Jeong Gung Palace / Ever green, unchanging through the seasons,
Your name is Il Song Jeong. / Oh I love you, Il Song Jeong. / You are the hope of Cheon Il Guk.
As you are the dream of your brothers and sisters who love you,
You are the pride of Cheon Il Guk that shines forever.
Oh I love you, Il Song Jeong. / You are the pride of Cheon Il Guk.*



(from the top) True Parents' Speech, Victory celebration, Choral group (Shin-chul, Shin-heung, Shin-jin, Shin-neo) singing "Ilsong jeong" written by True Mother

Did you like it? Did my heart touch yours? Please flourish forever as the unchanging children, the blessed families of Cheon Il Guk, like evergreen pine trees that are unchanging throughout the four seasons! [Aju!] (Applause)

As the MC for the commemorative event, Director General Yun explained, "The day of True Parents' birth fulfilled a hope of Heavenly Parent, and was the day a seed of a great hope for all humankind was planted. It was the day the seed was planted to finally complete the 6000-year-search of humankind to find Heavenly Parent, whom they had lost. However, due to the ignorance of the fallen people of the time, these two people had to walk a lonely course, meeting each other and working to fulfill Heavenly Parent's hope and the dream of humanity. Along that road, after True Father's Holy Ascension, True Mother determined, 'Before the end of my life I will establish Cheon IL Guk on this earth without fail. I will offer my life to realize Heavenly Parent's dream. I will move forward without stopping for the sake of a heavenly unified Korea and heavenly unified world.'

Director General Yun continued, "This year is a special year, the year that we should celebrate True Mother's 80th birthday. However, True Mother said that she will not celebrate her birthday until after the dedication of the Cheon Won Gung Cheonil Sanctum for Heavenly Parent, so again today, on True Parents' Birthday, we could once again feel the depth of True Mother's heart of hyojeong toward Heavenly Parent. To give the members a chance to feel True Mother's heart of hyojeong once again, a special luncheon was arranged for the leaders of Heavenly Korea and some central blessed families."



(from the top) Cake Cutting, International Headquarters Director General Yun Young-ho delivering his opening address, Hyojeong cultural performance, Congratulatory Messages, Three cheers of Eog mansei (Heavenly Korea co-chairmen)

Notably, at the luncheon everyone had a chance to send their birthday wishes to True Parents by singing a new song, “Happy Birthday, True Parents,” written by True Mother, it was introduced and everybody sang it together, following which they sang “Omma-ya, Nuna-ya” together to express their wishes for True Mother’s good health, along with their determination to bring victory and the Korean sub-regional leaders (Ju Jin-tae, Hwangbo Guk, Yu Gyeong-deuk, Lee Sang-je, and Park Young-bae) offered three cheers of Eog mansei to bring the banquet to a close. 🌀

New Song: Happy Birthday, True Parents

— Lyrics by True Mother

Verse 1 – This verse was repeated and sung twice

Sing praises, sing worship / True Parents’ holy birthday / hallelujah hallelujah
Heavenly parent is happy! He responds to us
Heaven and earth and all things, all people around the world
People of five colors, praise and bow with happiness!

Here are the Romanized syllables:

Chan mi ha se chan-yang ha se / Cham bu mo nim seong tan / hallelujah hallelujah
Han eul bu mo nim gip peo / Hwa dab ha si ne / Cheon ji man mul se gye man min
O saeg-in jong gip peo / Chan-yang ham yeo / Gyeong bae deu li se — hallelujah! 🌀

2023 Cheon Il Guk Leaders' New Year's Celebration hosted by True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind

The 2023 Cheon Il Guk Leaders' New Year's Celebration hosted by the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind was held at the HJ Heaven and Earth CheonBo Training Center Main Hall, and about 1600 worldwide Cheon Il Guk Leaders online attended.

The 2023 Cheon Il Guk Leaders' New Year's Celebration began with greetings from Yun Young-ho, Director-General, FFWPU International Headquarters, who also acted as the MC for the day. It continued with an opening hymn (Creative Azalea), a video screening, and a bouquet of flowers that was presented by (Hyo-Jin Moon's family, and Heung-Jin Moon's family, Co-Chairs of the Special Region of Heavenly Korea, Hyun-Young Lee, UPF Korea President, Man-Woong Cho of the Federation of Heavenly Unified Korea. Co-president of the Association of Elders, Kim Dong-yeon; YSP Korean president, Lee Shin-hye; director of the Hyojeong Special Bureau); the cake cutting ceremony by True Parents, New year bow of respect, report prayer (Bang Sang-il Continental President of Heavenly Japan), a message from True Mother, Hyojeong cultural performance (Heavenly Europe, Heavenly Asia) Asia Pacific, Sunmoon UPA), and three cheers of Eogmansei by continental chairs from all over the world.

In part of True Mother's message, she said, "All the unpleasant things that were unsatisfactory last year are gone. I hope that centered on Heavenly Parent, you will become united blessed families and Cheonbo couples that can newly cherish and embrace people in all situations and that you ultimately become blessed families that are respected and spoken of with pride as victors in front of Heaven and all of humankind. She encouraged us, saying, "I sincerely ask all of you to become filial sons and daughters that unite in heart and will to achieve Heavenly Parent's dream substantially."

Through a report and prayer, the Continental Chairman of Heavenly Japan, Bang Sang-il, said, "2023 is a long-awaited year, especially since it is the 80th anniversary of True Mother, the only begotten daughter, and the substantial Holy Spirit who has moved forward unsparingly for the salvation of humanity, and for the realization of Heavenly Parent's and True Parents' dream. Cheon Won Gung Cheon Il Sanctum, the hope of humanity and the hope of mankind will be dedicated; it will be a holy year in which mankind can be educated and attend Heavenly Parent on earth through Cheon Won Gung Cheon Il Sanctum, which is the beginning of a new history and the completion of the entire providence of restoration. Kindly help us realize that" in his prayer, he pleaded.



Three Cheers of Eog mansei



(from the top) True Mother's speaks to the leaders, Presentation of flowers, Cake cutting, Hyojeong cultural performance



"I think 2022 was a year in which Cheon Il Guk leaders from all over the world, as well as the leaders of the Heavenly Korea, came together as one mind and made a leap forward. Although there were difficulties within and outside of Korea, they took those difficulties as an opportunity to leap forward and came to align with Heavenly Parent and True Parents in the Heavenly Parent's providence.

Looking back at the great victory of the Summit for Peace on the Korean Peninsula (the Seoul Declaration that is being implemented in each continent and country as a universal peace charter), and the Holy Wedding Day that marked the start of the spring season as it completely united Heavenly Parents' Day and True Parents' Holy Wedding Anniversary. This Holy Wedding Day will be prepared as a venue to decide the victorious dedication of the Cheon Won Gung Cheon Il Sanctum. The Seonghwa Festival was held to mark the year of the settlement and completion of the 10th year of True Father's entry into Cheonseong.

It is thought that the birth, Holy Wedding, and Seonghwa Festival became the days of discovering father and comforting mother while creating momentum for a heavenly unified Korea.

The foundation for establishing a heavenly unified Korea in 2022 came from True Mother's fervent determination. Preparing 13 continental summits and blessing ceremonies in 1/3 of 39 continental districts worldwide and ultimately creating an alternative UN function based on the Universal Peace Charter. For this purpose, UPF, Abel UN, and Asia-Pacific Union are being developed to act as an alternative to the function of the United Nations, which is ultimately motivated by the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. All the foundations will lead to Cheon Won Gung Cheon Il Sanctum. And it will be a momentous start!

In addition, Yun Young-ho, Director-General, FFWPU International Headquarters, delivered in detail how the city councilor and a member of the National Assembly amid difficult circumstances in Japan and Nepal were elected, as well as the victory in Africa. And everyone gave True Mother a big round of applause.

It was followed by a video screening of Hyojeong cultural performances by Heavenly Asia Pacific, Heavenly Africa, Heavenly America, Heavenly Europe, and Heavenly Japan. We also had performances by Creative Azalea, the Hyojeong Cultural Performance Team of the World Headquarters, and Sunmoon UPA students.

In 2023, the Cheon Il Guk New Year's Celebration was successfully completed with the promise of the heads of providential institutions and the co-continental directors from around the world. 

2027 Vision and Victory for the Dedication of the Cheon Won Gung Cheon Il Sanctum 4th Heavenly Korea Strategic Meeting

4th Heavenly Korea Strategic Meeting, 2027 Vision and Victory for the Dedication of the Cheon Won Gung Cheon Il Sanctum, was held on January 3 in the HJ Heaven and Earth CheonBo Training Center Main Hall. About 700 (on-site attendees), including sub-regional vice presidents, pastors, church leaders, field officials, and sub-regional officials, attended. The event had two parts [part I and part II].

The 4th Heavenly Korea Strategic Meeting, chaired by Song In-young, Director of Church Growth of the IHQ, proceeded with Part I Special Report, which featured: Don Meares of Evangel Cathedral, a cheering performance by Sub-region 2, a special worship theme presentation, and a Q&A session.

Director Song In-young said, "To start the New Year 2023, we held a New Year's Celebration in the morning with True Parents. Before we start our meeting I would like everyone to exchange New Year's greetings with each other, so we may have a joyful and energetic start. In the new year, we all hope to receive blessings; while preparing for the strategy meeting, when I saw the quantity and quality of the valuable presentations, I sincerely felt that our church has hope". He also expressed his sincere appreciation for the enthusiasm of the pastors who worked hard to prepare and come amid their busy schedules.

Through the report and prayer, Co-Chair Park Young-bae said, "We will surely achieve Victory for the Dedication of the Cheon Won Gung Cheon Il Sanctum on May 5, 2023, by attending our noble Heavenly Parent, our beloved True Parents, True Father in heaven and True Mother on earth. Please allow it to be a year of enlightenment so we can all raise our hopes and achieve our dreams and visions."

In his welcoming remarks, Yun Young-ho, Director-General, FFWPU International Headquarters, said: "We must play the role of "salt" and light to lead the world. The light must shine wherever there is darkness. Salt should have a salty taste by nature, but you need to know exactly where the salt is needed. We can become light and salt to the world only when pastors present their vision for a heavenly unified Korea and a heavenly unified world to the world through our True Parents' words and general strategic meetings. In that sense, we can do it. He ended his remarks briefly mentioning major directions and key projects for the historic leap in 2023; saying, "I hope that through this strategy meeting, we will amass the opinions of pastors and share our strategies. May we welcome the New Year with an enthusiastic mind and proceed with the general meeting with a determined mind. Everyone worked hard in 2022, and I hope 2023 will be a year for all of us to leap forward."



A view of the panel discussion



(from the top) Church Growth Director Song In-young as the MC, International Headquarters Director General Yun Young-ho delivers his welcoming message, Apostle Don Mears delivering a special report, Chairman Ju Jin-tae's remarks at Strategy Meeting I, Topic Presentation II (member management), Q&A session time

Following this, Archbishop Don Meares of Evangel Cathedral, the largest church in New York, gave hope and encouragement to the pastors and leaders of heavenly Korea through a special lecture entitled 'Six Ways to Grow the Church as a Pastor.'

Archbishop Don Meares of Evangel Cathedral became associated with the Family Federation and gave speeches at the 2017 Summit for Peace on the Korean Peninsula, the 6th Rally of Hope, and the ILC 2022 Summit Leadership Conference.


The 4th Heavenly Korea Strategic Meeting was a follow-up to the 3rd Heavenly Korea Strategic Meeting, which was on Worship and Sunday Service.

The strategy meeting Part 1 'Worship': Following the remarks of Joo Jin-tae Co-chairman of Heavenly Korea, the following people gave presentations on Worship and Sunday Service in their sub-regions. Cho Nam-moon, president of Gyeyang Church in Incheon (Sub-region 1: suggestion on the direction of family federation sermons in the Cheonil-guk era), Ahn In-sung, Leader of Hongcheong Church in Gangwon-do (Sub-region 2: the essence of traditional worship service, Oh Sang-jin (Chungnam-gu, Sun Moon School Special Sub-region 3: vision and direction for delivering services to Sunghwa students and young college students) Son Young-ho (Sub-region 4: direction of Cheonilguk worship and open worship), and Lee Ju-hwan (Sub-region 5: direction of the Sunday service 'Open worship' for inviting peace sympathizers. Kwon Sang-eon, director of the Ministry of

Missions, prepared a lecture on (IHQ: Direction of the Heavenly Parent's Holy Community Hyojeong Nuri). It concluded with a Q&A session.

The strategy meeting Part 2 was on the theme of 'Family (management),' following the opening remarks by Yoo Kyong-deuk, Co-Chair of heavenly Korea, Lee Chul-ho, the head of the Church of Gyeongnam Region (Sub-region 5: family counseling and visitation based on the culture of the heart), Namhee Lee, wife of the pastor of Jeju, (Sub-region 4: Healing dormant family members and helping them return to the church 'Church Settlement'), Kim Cheol-soo, pastor of Dangjin Church of Chungnam area (Sub-region 3: Raising a Cheonbo Family Church Leader), Cho Jun-wang, pastor of Yanggu Church of the region of Gangwon (Sub-region 2: Reading and Practicing the Word to Restore Spirituality in the Family), Kim Hwan-seop, pastor of Jooan Church of the Incheon area (District 1: Strengthening the Capacity of the Heavenly Messiah through Intercessory Prayer Training), and Kim Young-gil, director of the Family Department Bureau 1 of the International Headquarters (Family Love and Peace Festival), gave lectures and answered questions.

Both leaders of heavenly Korea and Cheon Il-guk leaders, who attended the conference, shared their in-depth opinions through speeches. There was also a Q&A session for the speakers that gave presentations.

The general meeting concluded the conference with the leaders showing their determination and resolution to be victorious by 2023 and the long-awaited roadmap for 2027. 

Special Sermon

Church Growth

by Apostle Don Meares of Evangel Cathedral



I want to especially say thank you to Mother Moon, who has made this possible and given me this invitation. And we are just so thankful for the tremendous work that she has done in the entire world on peace. How do we get more people in our congregations?

How do we increase our membership? And there are many, many Christian books on this subject. You have methods and programs, but I will try to make six brief points this morning. The first one I'm going to always say is we're going to deal with the issue of church growth, and it's simply this. The most important thing is always, always, always, over any method over any program that you've heard. When God tells you to do something, do it.

There is nothing greater than simply obeying God when He tells you to do a thing. When God tells you to do something, that should never be up for debate. That should never be for any kind of counsel. You simply obey.


Point number two. Any local church is built on the personality of the leader. Reverend Moon, he had personality, he had charisma, but more importantly than that, he had anointing. So, every local church, whether you like this or not, every local church is built on a personality. Mark that down. And so that's not something that the board can control. That is something that God has established.

Number three. That personality, that one person has got to have a vision from God at all times. And the vision can change depending on the seasons that you're going into. But without a vision, the people run around aimlessly. They're going to perish. Without vision, you cannot move forward. Without vision, there can be no growth.

All right, number four. I love this one, like it or not.

God is a seasonal God. Meaning that within every local church, God is going to take you through different corporate seasons. And if you do not understand the season that you are in, then when he is ready to transition you into a new season, and you don't understand that you have gone into a new season and are still trying to operate by what you understood in the old season. You can destroy a church; you can get messed up major, big time. Let me just, let me illustrate the vast difference between the season of the church in the Old Testament being in the wilderness under Moses, and then the church going into the promised land under Joshua, you talk about different.

Five. A shepherd is someone who takes care of the sheep personally. He knows them by name. He tends to their every need; he shepherds them, they follow him. A rancher is a person who has 1,000's of cattle or sheep or whatever kind of ranch he has, and he has to learn how to delegate. I have seen churches that will never grow because the leader cannot delegate responsibilities that would allow for growth. It's just that simple. And you have to know, are you a shepherd wanting to become a rancher? Because that will demand a total different way of thinking, a total different way of acting. It requires change; change is not an option in God.

I've got one more; it's the hardest. There is always in every local church a new specific group of people that is going to determine whether you will go into the next season or you will not go into the next season. They will literally determine whether you will move to God's Destiny forward or if you will be stagnant and stay where you're at. They're the key. They're the group. We refuse to have any disunity and moving into our next season, even though after we've gained possession of the land, we will have to come back and live in the rest and in the inheritance that we have on this side of Jordan. But here's the key. Here's what I love about this group. If I had a group like this in my church, I will never have any disunity. I will never have any problems. I will never fail to make it to the next level unless I'm in sin as the leader. 

2027 Vision and Victory for the Dedication of the Cheon Won Gung Cheonil Sanctum 1st Lecture Hoondok Contest for FFWPU Heavenly Korea Pastors

The 1st Lecture Hoondok Contest for Pastors of Heavenly Korea FFWPU was held on January 3 at the main hall of the HJ Heaven and Earth Training Center with about 700 people attending, including Yun Young-ho, Director-General, FFWPU International Headquarters, heads of departments from the International Headquarters, leaders and pastors from sub-regions across Korea.

The event was moderated by Lim Jong-hyeok, Director of Ministry at the International Headquarters, and proceeded in the following order: opening declaration, the introduction of judges, lecture hoondok contest (one representative from each region), hyojeong resolution, speeches, award ceremony, and closing ceremony.

The Lecture Hoondok Contest was comprised of presentations of public speeches given by True Parents around the world. As this was the first such contest held by FFWPU, intense preliminary advance rounds were conducted in each subregion. In this final round, we heard the presentation of six contestants representing the five subregions and the Cheon Won Special District.

The lectures were presented by:

Song In-young, head of the Department of Church Development Strategy of Cheon Won Special District Church of International Headquarters,
Kim Eun-sun, Youth Minister, Chungju Church, sub-region 3,
Kim Jae-sung, Pastor, Yeoncheon Church, sub-region 2,
Jo Chang-eon, District Leader, Gwangju Church, sub-region 4,
Lee Yu-jeong, Youth Minister, Donchanwon Church, sub-region 5,
Jin In-seong District Leader, Gangnam Church, sub-region 1.



Song In-young, head of the Department of Church Development Strategy of Cheon Won Special District Church, was the first contestant for the day, presented True Father's speech,

God's Will is for All of Humankind to Become One," given by True Father at East Garden on July 20, 1984, before he departed to enter Danbury Prison.

Director Song In-young said, "The more I practiced and prepared for the lecture, the more nervous I became. However, thankfully, when I stopped and prayed, I found myself naturally beginning to meditate. In the midst of that, I was so touched because I felt the current situation was very similar to the time when True Father was unjustly imprisoned in Danbury due to religious oppression instigated by communists in the US. At the moment of the greatest crisis in the history of the providence, True Father entrusted the entire situation to True Mother and rather regarded it as a blessing to be able to take the blow knowing that they can claim it as a blessing, saying, 'This is the path of hope and harmony. Let's become one and move forward.' We have welcomed 2023 with difficulties due to the current suppression of the Family Federation in Japan.

Borrowing True Father's words and reciting them now amidst today's situation, we are reminded that we must become completely one with True Mother. I prepared this lecture with the mindset that we need to have the same attitude as the members had when Father was imprisoned. What he said then applies to us now just the same. We must prepare carefully, with a firm resolve."



Kim Eun-sun, head of the Youth department of Chungju Church in Chungcheongbuk-do sub-region 3, who gave the second lecture, said that True Mother held the "Global Youth Festival 2014" on September 23, 2014, marking the 55th anniversary of the founding of the Church in Japan. At that time, the slogan, "The Road towards a World of Peace," was announced for the first time.

Youth Ministries Director Kim Eun-sun began, "The title of the Lecture Hoondok contest is 'The 6000- year Long Search for Heavenly Parent's Lost Children,' and I felt True Mother's heart when she said 'It was like trying to find a needle in the desert amid a sandstorm, but I had to find it to rescue humankind.' True Mother has told us that it doesn't matter what age we are. Even in our 60s or 70s, we can live like young people if we have a dream in our heart and follow it with passion. As I prepared for this Lecture, Hoondok Contest I offered jeongseong as I searched through True Parents' words. I always carried that speech with me in my bag, and I thought about what Mother felt in her heart as she prepared to give this speech. I tried to become one with the speech by reading it over and over and thinking 'What heart does True Mother want to convey to us through this speech?'"

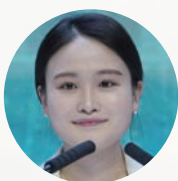


Pastor Kim Jae-sung from subregion 2 presented True Father's speech from the June 7, 1975 rally in Yeoido, "Korea in the World." Pastor Kim said, "The more I prepared for this speech, the more I experienced True Father's greatness in my heart. I chose this speech because it says exactly what I think we need to say now to North Korea. As you listen to the word, I hope it will be a time for you to feel True Parents' heart deeply."



Presentation by District Leader Jo Chang-eon from sub-region 4 was from the testimony given by True Father at the US Senate Hearing on Religious Freedom on June 26, 1984. Father spoke about religious freedom and said, "God bless America."

District Leader Jo continued, "True Father told the committee he had come to rescue America from self-centered individualism, decadent culture and the danger of communism, stating, 'God has sent me to America in the role of a doctor, in the role of a firefighter,' and expressed his love and forgiveness. True Father was convicted of tax evasion and sentenced to serve time in Danbury Prison. Despite that, just one month before he began to serve his sentence, he reached out to the religious world and offered his love, forgiveness, and blessing to America. I thought about how True Father loved his enemies and showed true love, which gives, forgets, and gives again. I hope that the conscience of Japan will be awakened by the religious persecution and oppression currently taking place there. As you listen to me read Father's message, I hope that all of you can feel a heart of hyojeong through the words."



Subregion 5 Youth Minister Lee Yu-Jeong presented True Mother's speech given on November 20, 1991, at the SK Olympic Handball Stadium in Seoul on 'The Road the Women's Federation for World Peace in Asia Must Follow.' Pastor Lee said that she had selected this speech because "If we consider the current situation in Japan, we can see it is the result of evil acts by the Chinese Communist Party and the Japanese Communist Party, it seems like the right time to look back at the role True Parents played in ending the communist empire in the Soviet Union. We should all feel the shimjeong of True Parents as they risked their lives to travel to the heart of the communist world. Also, by studying the guidance, True Mother gave the women leaders about how to construct a world of peace, we can understand what we must do now, as we represent True Mother in passing along guidance to the women leaders today."



Representing subregion 1, District Leader Jin In-Seong presented True Mother's speech on October 30, 2018 at the HJ Heaven and Earth CheonBo Training Center during a special workshop for senior pastors on heavenly unified Korea. District Leader Jin said, "On that day, True Mother clearly stated that it is not possible to unite the people of South and North Korea through ideology and politics alone."

Before we begin to talk about Headwing ideology, it is necessary to understand True Parents. True Parents are the center point for all of humankind. This country must attend True Parents. You must tell people they were sent, raised, and prepared by Heaven. And she told the senior pastors that they must educate the youth, young children, and politicians about this. So, as we listen to this speech today, let's consider the questions, 'Why are True Parents important?' and 'What is Heavenly Parent's Will regarding the heavenly unified Korea? And think about our mission and our responsibility.'



Following a selection of praise songs by the YSP praise team, International Headquarters Director General Yun Young-ho offered his overall evaluation of the presentations, saying, "I genuinely want to express my appreciation to the six competitors who offered presentations of lecture hoondok today. The purpose of a lecture hoondok contest is not to judge skill or technique but rather whether the speaker draws us to feel the heart that True Parents felt on that day and allows us to resonate with that heart. This means creating a resonance of True Parents'

heart, the speaker's heart, and everyone listening. The lecture hoondok contest was quite long, but as we listened we shed tears, and all of our feelings of tiredness vanished. It was truly inspiring for us as we connected to the shimjeong of that day. In the future, we will further develop many practices, including bowing practice, hoondok practice, prayer practice, and others, but the hoondok practice involved in preparing for today, of truly connecting to the heart of Heaven and the shimjeong and Will of True Parents by reading True Parents' works and bringing the speech to life by reading it, that preparation in itself and the act of listening as well are offerings of jeongseong.

Director General Yun said, "On December 28, 2018, at the 'New Hope for a Heavenly Unified World' Clergy Rally held at the Prudential Center in New Jersey in the eastern United States, which was the inaugural event for the World Clergy Leadership Conference, as True Mother was speaking, she suddenly began to shed tears as she said 'Sun Myung Moon.' But surprisingly, people in the audience resonated so closely with True Mother due to the tremendous jeongseong she had offered that they also began to shed tears at the sound of True Father's name. So if we truly embody the heart of True Mother when embarking on providential work, we truly represent True Mother and can work as representatives and can act on her behalf. In the same way, when we resonate with True Father, we become his representative and can act in his stead. Thus, in evaluating the presentations here today, I think, more than anything else, it is significant if the speaker truly united with the heart of True Parents when they prepared for this speech. Also, the speaker and listeners need to resonate with True parents.

The evaluation for the 1st FFWPU Heavenly Korea Lecture Hoondok Contests was conducted by all 700 people who attended using a smartphone app. I would like to thank all of the presenters once again for putting in such effort to prepare for this Lecture Hoondok Contest. 



Hyojeong Award (2 persons)
(Lee Yu-jeong, Youth Minister, Gwangju Church, Greater Gyeongnam district, sub-region 5, Jo Chang-eon, District Leader, Gwangju Church, Greater Gwangju District, sub-region 4)



Hyoseong Award (4 persons)
(Kim Eun-sun, Youth Minister, Chungju Church, Greater Chungbuk district, sub-region 3, Jin In-Seong District Leader, Gangnam Church, Greater South Seoul District, sub-region 1, Kim Jae-seong, Pastor, Yeoncheon Church, Greater North Gyeonggi district, sub-region 2, Song In-young, head of the International Headquarters Department of Church Development Strategy of Cheon Won Special District Church of International Headquarters)

Special Gathering with International Headquarters Director General Yun Young-ho on VISION 2027 for a Heavenly Unified Korea Heavenly Nation of Gyeong Won

December 6th in the 10th year of Cheon Il Guk (12.28) 'Vision 2027 Heavenly Unified Korea Settlement Hosted by Yun Young-ho, Director-General, FFWPU International Headquarters Heavenly Gyeong Won Guk Special Meeting' was held at Northern Gyeong Gi Guri Family Church Main Hall with the attendance of International Headquarter Director General and the executives, Heavenly Gyeong Won Guk Pastors and public personnel, and 450 central members.

Vice President O In Cheol started the special meeting, followed by an open declaration, a bow, representative prayer (Northern Gyeong Gi Senior District Pastor Kim Jung Su), welcoming remark (2nd Subregional Heavenly Gyeong Won Guk President Hwang Bo Guk), Hyo Jeong Special Award, Hyo Jeong testimony (Katori Teruyo), hyo jeong praise (White Lilies), presentation of flower baskets (Yang Gu Church Pastor Cho Jun Wang, Yang Gu Church Japanese Missionary Association President Kitano Mariko), message and benediction (Dr. Yun Young-ho, Director-General, FFWPU International Headquarters), Hyo Jeong Achievement Award (Seong Hwa Festival model families and subregional Awards), bow, commemorative photo shoot, and closing declaration.

Through Senior District Pastor Kim Jung Su representative prayer, he said, "Today, for the victory of the dedication of Cheon Won Gung, Cheon Il Sanctum, the substantial temple of Heavenly Parent, Heavenly Gyeong Won Guk pastors and public personnel, Universal Peace Foundation (UPF), Youth



(from the top) Speech and benediction (International Headquarters Director General Yun Young-ho), Welcoming Address (Chairman Hwangbo Guk), Report prayer (Greater North Gyeonggi District Leader Kim Jong-su), Master of Ceremonies (Vice Chairman Oh In-cheol), Flower Basket Presentation (Jo Jun-wang, President of Yang-gu Church and Gidano Mariko, Chairman of the Japanese Missionary Society of Yang-gu Church), Filial Piety Testimony (Teruyo Katori)

and Student for Peace(YSP), Women's Federation for World Peace (WPWP), public personnel from Korean senior citizen association, and church members become one, and serve True Father in Heaven and True Mother on earth as I pray with a sincere heart to Heaven that this time can create a victorious outcome.

Heavenly Gyeong Won Guk Subregional President Hwang Bo Guk said, "As a bamboo tree grows, it creates knots to keep it from collapsing in the wind and rain. It is stronger because the knot is wrapped around it. Our community is like the knot in the bamboo tree. Every time the bamboo tree grows, it creates a knot, just like with our community, where a new point of history starts; we conclude the past year well and use the knot as a stepping stone to grow as it creates another knot. Just like this, if we tie knots, we can grow even bigger." In addition, "Through the precious words of Dr. Yun Young-ho, Director-General, FFWPU International Headquarters, who is advancing toward the providential goal with clear direction and planning ability, let's all become one with the substantial Holy Spirit, True Mother, who instills a providential vision, and become winners towards the providential goal."

Dr. Yun Young-ho, Director-General, FFWPU International Headquarters' message, said, "Thank you for participating in the great providence of the dedication of the Cheon Won Gung Cheon Il Sanctum, with the sincere heart of trying to place even one more brick despite the difficult situation. This morning, True Mother said, "Good job. I love you. Let's make 2023 a year of providential history." As we have experienced with True Mother, True Parents' providence is great, and we are grateful." "Looking back on this year, personally, as a family, as the church, and especially as our community, it was a challenging and tiring period. And looking back, I came to think that it was a time for gratitude and a time for the sake of an even greater love. As the year 2022 is coming to an end, I hope we will honestly end with gratitude, happiness, and hope. And thus, I hope that 2023 will be a year where our members can give much greater gratitude to Heavenly Parent and True Parents."

Furthermore, Dr. Yun Young-ho, Director-General, FFWPU International Headquarters, provided information on the fruits of the behind-the-scenes providential victories happening worldwide centering on Heavenly Parent and True Parent for Heavenly Unified World and Heavenly Unified Korea as well as ongoing providences from Heavenly Japan, Cambodia, Moldova to members of Ukraine and Russia in detail and encouraged our members.

There was a gracious benediction and the awarding of Hyo Jeong Special Award and Hyo Jeong Achievement Award by Yun Young-ho, Director-General, FFWPU International Headquarters. It was followed by a commemorative photo shoot and a closing declaration, the Heavenly Gyeong Won Guk Special Meeting finished with strong determination for the victory of the upcoming May 5th dedication of the Cheon Won Gung Cheon Il Sanctum. ㄹ



Special Gathering with International Headquarters Director General Yun Young-ho on VISION 2027 for a Heavenly Unified Korea for the Heavenly Nation of ChungCheong

Special Gathering with International Headquarters Director General Yun Young-ho on VISION 2027 for a Heavenly Unified Korea Heavenly Nation of ChungCheong

On December 29, a Special Gathering with International Headquarters Director General Yun Young-ho on VISION 2027 for a Heavenly Unified Korea was held in the Cheonan Family Church Main hall of the Heavenly nation of ChungCheong. Along with Dr. Yun, Director General of International Headquarters and Subregional President Yu Gyeong Deok, the event was held with about 600 members, including senior district pastors from 3 sub-districts, pastor couples from 38 churches, district public personnel, local branch president of the Korean senior citizen association, local branch president of UPF, YSP public personnel, and central members.

Vice President Lee In Guk was the MC for the day. The event started with a pre-ceremony comprised of songs by YSP members, an opening declaration, a bow, a representative prayer (Chung Nam Senior District Pastor Ok Yun Ho), and a welcoming remark by (President Yu Gyeong Deok of sub-region 3 of Heavenly Chung Cheong Guk), Hyojeong Special Award was given, hyojeong testimony (Ye San Church Elder Tokunaga Hiroaki), hyojeong praise (Han SaRang Choir), presentation of the bouquet (Min Hyeon Cheol Eum Seong Church Public Personnel, Odane Makiko President of Missionary), a message and benediction by (Dr. Yun Director General of International Headquarters), a Hyojeong Achievement Award, a bow, and the closing declaration.

In Chung Nam Senior District, Pastor Ok Yun Ho gave the representative prayer. In the prayer, he communicated, "With a heart that we can achieve anything if we become one with True Mother, we will be a faithful Heavenly nation of ChungCheong, and with absolute faith, absolute love, and absolute obedience, we are determined to bring about the safe settlement of vision 2027 and a Heavenly Unified Korea. Please be with us as we make this special meeting a time of determination."

In the welcoming remark of President Yu Gyeong Deok of sub-region 3 of Heavenly Chung Cheong Guk, he mentioned, "Thank you to everyone who has worked hard at each site for the past year. Most of all, I am grateful to True Mother for blessing the Heavenly nation of Chung Cheong with Cheong Na Hill. The greatest gift Heavenly Parent and True Parent want to give to humanity is the environment where we can be together with Heavenly Parent forever. In the era of Cheon Il Guk, all of humanity will naturally live and report together with Heavenly Parent in the Cheon Won Gung, Cheon Il Sanctum. Many members of the Heavenly nation of Chung Cheong cooperated and offered the Cheon Seung Fund, where we can attend Heavenly Parent through Cheong Won Gung Cheon Il Sanctum. In addition, I would like to encourage all members who received the achievement award and Seong Hwa Festival model families."


Dr. Yun, Director General of International Headquarters, mentioned in his message, "I think the year 2022 was a year like a phrase 'April showers bring May flower.' Every day was filled with hard and difficult operations, and by overcoming them, we received Heaven's blessing. I think that true gratitude is a blessing from heaven. I would like to thank all members for participating in the grand providence of Cheon Won Gung Cheon Il Sanctum in unity with True Parent."

Dr. Yun shared: Amid all the chaotic international situation, at this time like this, when we don't know when the Russia-Ukraine war will stop, in a dangerous situation where both countries hold



(from the top) Speech and benediction (International Headquarters Director General Yun Young-ho), Welcoming address (Chairman Yu Gyeong-deuk), Report prayer (Ok Yun-ho, Archbishop of Chungnam), moderator (Lee In-guk, Vice Chairman), bouquet presentation (Min Hyun-cheol, President of Voice Academy and Makiko Odane, President of the Missionary Society), filial piety testimony (Tokuna ga Hiroaki Elder from Yesan Church)

their guns against each other, our 2generations are working towards peace. Furthermore, after the assassination of Former Prime Minister Abe Shinzo Heavenly Japan is now in a difficult position, but despite it all a church member has been elected as a city council. And in Nepal President and former Minister Eknath Dhakal has been made a proportional candidate in the election to the House of Representatives. It was a time of sharing these fruits of the hidden providential victories happening worldwide centering on Heavenly Parent and True Parents for Heavenly Unified World and Heavenly Unified Korea. In addition, due to the Covid situation, when face-to-face became difficult, we started with Summits for Peace, One Million Rally of Hope for the Salvation of Our Homeland, Think Tank Forum, Foundation Day, Placement of the Ridge Beam on Cheon Won Gung, Seong Hwa Festival, Rally of Hope Conference. I would like to give one more big round of applause for your hard work in all these eventful providential ceremonies. It was a time of encouragement and comfort for the members of the Heavenly nation of Chung Cheong, who participated in True Parent's providence with all their heart and soul.

Then we had the gracious benediction and the awarding of Hyo Jeong Special Award and Hyo Jeong Achievement Award by Dr. Yun Director General of International Headquarters. A commemorative photo shoot and closing declaration followed it. The Heavenly Nation of Chung Cheong Special Meeting ended with a strong applause of determination to be victorious on the upcoming May 5th dedication of the Cheon Won Gung Cheon Il Sanctum. 

Special Gathering with International Headquarters Director General Yun Young-ho on VISION 2027 for a Heavenly Unified Korea Heavenly Nation of Gyeongin

On January 15, 2023 (12.24 HC), a Special Gathering with International Headquarters Director General Yun Young-ho on VISION 2027 for a Heavenly Unified Korea was held at the Cheon Won Gung Cheon Seung Church in Seoul, with about 1200 people attending, including Subregion 1 President Ju Jin-tae, three greater district directors, pastors, Elder Members Association area leaders, UPF area leaders, YSP leaders, and central members. About 700 people participated in the Grand Sanctuary on the 3rd floor, with another 500 in the 3rd floor small sanctuary and lobby. After the main portion of the gathering was completed in Part 1 of the program, an award ceremony was conducted in Part 2.

Part 1 of the event was conducted by Vice President Kim Shin-han as MC. It included some introductory praise songs by the YSP praise team, the opening announcement, gyeongbae, a report prayer by North Seoul District Leader Kim Seok-jin, a welcoming message by Ju Jin-tae, Sub-Regional President for the Heavenly Nation of Gyeongin, a hyojeong testimony by Mrs. Kim Sun-hee, a hyojeong anthem by the CheonShim Choir, presentation of flowers (Jo Seong-min and his wife Nishiwaki Keiko), the main message and benediction prayer by Yun Young-ho, Director-General, FFWPU International Headquarters, and a commemorative photo.

In his report prayer, District Leader Kim said, "Please help us to unite to support True Mother to bring victory in the dedication of Cheon Won Gung Cheonil Sanctum, by speaking us through Yun Young-ho, Director-General, FFWPU International Headquarters, who is working together with True Mother at the very forefront of the providence. Please allow this gathering today to unite us all together so that we can support True Mother well until the day of the dedication of the Cheonil Sanctum."

In his welcoming address, Sub-Regional President Jin Ju-tae expressed his appreciation, "I want to offer my heartfelt thanks to all the members who have continued to offer jeongseong despite the difficult course you have all been going through. I am sure that Heaven will repay you generously for your dedication during this time."

Following this was a special report from Yun Young-ho, Director-General, FFWPU International Headquarters, who explained, "If we briefly describe the course of the providence last year, we may think it was a period of troubles both at home and abroad, but I think a more accurate description would be "No pain, no gain"—we went through difficulties that are certain to be followed by great joys and victories. When I spoke with True Mother this morning and told her I would be attending this gathering with the Heavenly Nation of Gyeongin, she told me to tell you, "The members who have continued to offer jeongseong despite going through intense difficulties will surely receive Heavenly blessings." Yun Young-ho, Director-General, FFWPU International Headquarters, also reported the news about the second-generation members in Russia and Ukraine and reported on members around the world who continue to maintain a mind of gratitude despite the difficulties they are going through, saying, "All glory and the grace of blessings were manifested within the care and love of Heavenly Parent and the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind."


He also spoke about a recent Christian song by Son Gyeongmin that he had heard called "Grace." The song's lyrics summarize the message: "Everything I have enjoyed, and every moment I have



(from the top) Speech and benediction (International Headquarters Director General Yun Young-ho), Welcome speech (President Jin-tae Joo), Report prayer (Seok-jin Kim Pastor of Southern Seoul, Korea), Moderator (Vice President Shinhan Kim), Bouquet Presentation (Cho Sung-min, Nishiwaki Keiko Family), Filial Piety Testimony (Rev. Soon-hee Kim)

lived is due to a never-ending Grace. Everything we encounter in life is not by chance. Everything is by grace." He took the opportunity of the gathering to sing this song to express his deep gratitude to True Mother, who completely invested in caring for and comforting the members, even during the difficult time after True Father's Ascension.

During the award ceremony in Part 2 of the special gathering, conducted with Jo Seong-tae, head of the general affairs department at international headquarters as MC, Yun Young-ho, Director-General, FFWPU International Headquarters presented Special Hyojeong Awards to members who had offered exceptional service last year. Following the award ceremony, UPF Vice President Shin Inseon offered three cheers of Eog mansei, and the gathering concluded with a gyeongbae and closing announcement.

Yun Young-ho, Director-General, FFWPU International Headquarters conveyed a message of encouragement from True Mother to each member who had shown a good example through their actions. Before the gathering by the Heavenly Nation of Gyeongin, he also attended meetings at the Heavenly Nations of Gyeongwon and Chungcheong. 

Academic Symposium to Commemorate the 30th Anniversary of Dr. Han Hak-ja Moon's International Speaking Tour

To commemorate the 30th Anniversary of True Mother's historic speeches in China and Moscow, PWPA and WFWP jointly hosted an academic symposium at 10:00 a.m. on December 20 (11.27 H.C.) at the Plaza Hotel in Seoul. Under the title, "Ending the Cold War and a World of Peace: Focusing on speeches at the Great Hall of the People in China and the Kremlin Palace in Moscow," papers were presented discussing the meaning and significance of Dr. Han Hak-ja's important speeches in the communist world.

PWPA International President Dr. Thomas Selover pointed out that the timing of Dr. Moon's speech in China was significant because the Tiananmen Square massacre had occurred just a few years earlier, and in China people were not permitted to speak about it openly. However, Dr. Moon's speech included a call for healing which the people of China much needed.

Korean PWPA President Song Gwang Seok explained, "Even though Dr. Han's speeches at the Great Hall of the People and the Kremlin Palace made a significant contribution to hastening the end of the cold war, not much effort has been made to draw attention to that contribution." He continued, "This is the first academic symposium that focused on her 1992 speech at the Great Hall of the People and her 1993 speech in the Kremlin palace."

In her presentation, WFWP International President Julia H. Moon stated, "It has been 30 years since political philosopher Francis Fukuyama assessed that communism had collapsed and liberal democracy had been victorious in the struggle between these major economic systems, and we now find ourselves facing talk of a 'new cold war.' While clinging to its communist ideology China has developed into a world power, and Russia, the center of the former Soviet Union, is moving further and further from democracy." She continued, "It is significant that we are taking time to study the special messages of peace Dr. Han brought to China and Russia in the early 1990s, when they were the central pillars of the communist world, to see how they relate to the spirit of the times."



True Mother, "True Parents and the Completed Testament Age" (22 Dec 1993, Taipei National Assembly Hall)




(from the top) Academic Symposium to Commemorate the 30th Anniversary of Dr. Han Hak-ja's International Speaking Tour

Speaking on the topic, “Evaluation and implications of Dr. Han Hak-ja’s Special Lecture in China,” Professor Jeong Si-gu of Sunhak UP Graduate University stated, “Since the 1960s Dr. Moon Sun-myung and Dr. Han Hak-ja have been seeking to realize their dream to bring a new message of Godism to China, which has been a bastion of materialistic communism since the 1960s. Their dream is to transform China into a nation of Godism and that it can be a country where Eastern and Western cultures can harmonize, creating a new Pacific civilization.” “Also,” he continued, “through her speech, Dr. Han Hak-ja revealed to the women of China the significance of the ‘age of women,’ not only informing them of the advent of the age but also the importance of their involvement and contribution in changing China’s values to bring them in line with the 21st century.”

Sunmoon University Professor Kim Minji gave a presentation on “Evaluation and prospects for Dr. Han Hak-ja’s Special Lecture in Russia,” saying, “If we consider the progress and flow of the women’s movement in Russia during the transition period, we can see that Dr. Han’s lectures in 1992 and 1993 gave the women leaders of Russia’s NGOs a new vision for peace. We can see the women of Russia taking to heart her message in Russia, ‘We must open a new age when women lead the way to peace,’ by observing the sensation Russian women caused by winning 30 seats in the 1993 Russian general election. Dr. Han’s lecture added to the momentum to connect to a world of peace, coming at a time when Russian women were building international networks and connections through seminars and meetings.”

In the discussion that followed, Dankook University Professor Kim Jin-ho and Academy of Korean Studies Professor Woo Pyeung-kyun stated, “Dr. Han Hak-ja’s lecture in China was a historical achievement that contributed to economic and social development in China. We must expand the role of global governance by groups like WFWP to end the war and bring lasting peace in our global village.”

In his general review of the symposium, former Seoul National University of Education President Kim Ho-seong said, “In this difficult time when the Korean Peninsula is entering a new cold war period, it is timely to examine and analyze Dr. Han’s message on how to build peace.” 

Prayer to Welcome 2023 (Heavenly Nation of Gyeongin)

A midnight prayer to welcome 2023 was held from December 31 to January 1 at the Grand Sanctuary of the Cheon Won Gung Cheon Seung Church in the Heavenly Nation of Gyeongin. A total of 3,196 people participated in the prayer, including 1,121 at the church and 2,075 from various sub-regions participating through YouTube broadcast.

FFWPU Subregion 1 Vice President Kim Shin-han served as the MC for the prayer vigil. Part 1 included a report prayer (YSP Chairman Byun Chung-ho), a Hyejeong Offering Ceremony (by District Leader of Greater Daegu), Hyejeong changyang session (HJ Heaven and Earth CheonBo Training Center chanyang team), a report on CheonBo works (Training Center Executive Director Kim In-Cheon), a ceremony to say goodbye to the old year and welcome the new year with Hyejeong greetings (Jo Jeongsun, Chairman of the Elder Members Association, District Leaders Kim Seok-jin, Jin In-Seong and Kim In-chang), speech (Sub-region President Ju Jin-tae), and a Hyejeong silent meditation. Part 2 began at midnight, with a prayer to welcome the new year with (Cheonshim Won President Lee Giseong), a benediction prayer by (President Ju Jin-tae), three cheers of Eog mansei by (UPF Vice President Shin In-seon), and concluded with a closing declaration.

In his report prayer, YSP Chairman Byun Chung-ho said, "Heavenly Parent, please be with us that in this new year, we can victoriously dedicate the Cheon Won Gung Cheonil Sanctum, attend the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind, and live the life appropriate to owners of Cheon Il Guk, accomplishing all of our hopes and dreams together with You."

District Leaders Kim Seok-jin, Jin In-Seong, and Kim In-chang presented letters containing statements from members of the Heavenly Nation of Gyeongin with their determination for victory in the 2nd Cosmic Canaan Course leading up to 2027 and for the establishment of a Heavenly Unified Korea and Heavenly Unified World. They offered the Hyejeong Offering Papers on which members had written their hopes and wish to True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind.

We also had a report on the CheonBo Great Works by Executive Director Kim In-cheon. The leaders' wishes for the new year were a time for the FFWPU members who had worked hard during 2022 to offer their determination to run forward in 2023 to accomplish the Will of Heavenly Parent and the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind.

Sub-Region President Ju Jin-Tae stated, "If I had to choose our top accomplishment for 2022, I would say it would be the paradigm shift in members' approach to witnessing, building on the foundation of jeongseong. Also, we started a new era of Heavenly Yongson when True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind dedicated the church here as the Cheon Won Gung Cheon Seung Church. Let's connect the fortune of these victories in 2022 to 2023 so that we can be a Heavenly Nation of Gyeongin in 2023 that contributes to the providence as a central clan." He emphasized, "And let us remember that even though the victories of Heavenly Gyeongin may look like they were the result of our successful planning, they would not have been possible without the teaching and guidance of Heavenly Parent and the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind. 2022 was a year when we all experienced Heavenly Parent's love. And in 2023, which we will begin at midnight, together with Heavenly Parent and True Parents, let us all become one with Heavenly Parent and return that love to Heavenly Parent and True Parents by uniting and bringing victory."

Cheonshim Won President Lee Giseong, who participated through a live video link from the HJ Heaven and Earth CheonBo Training Center, offered the prayer at midnight on January 1, during which he stated, "We offer our prayer so that in 2023 we can reap the fruits of victory and, in attendance to True Mother, we can have experiences that nobody had ever experienced before, one of




(from the top) Vice Chairman Kim Shin-han as MC, Benediction (Chairman Ju Jin-tae and his wife), Hyojeong Offering Papers Offering Ceremony, Members Attending the Prayer to Welcome 2023 , Prayer to Welcome 2023 , Three cheers of Eog mansei

living together substantially on earth with Heavenly Parent and the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind. Please support us in accomplishing this, as we offer our determination to continue to move forward without stopping until the goal has been reached.”

During their unison prayer, the members participating offered fervent prayers before Heaven to unite with one heart and make a new start. They also prayed for

- 1) True Mother's long life and good health and the successful dedication of the Cheon Won Gung Cheonil Sanctum,
- 2) To complete their missions to establish a heavenly unified Korea and to substantialize 43 couples, and
- 3) for the safety and needs of their families.

In the benediction prayer offered with his wife, President Ju Jin-tae implored, “Please accept our gratitude for the grace that we may make this new start in attendance to Heavenly Parent and True Parents. Please grant that we may become a Family Federation and a Heavenly Nation of Gyeongin that can return joy and glory to the Heavenly Parent and the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind.”

The program to close the year 2022 and welcome 2023 concluded with three cheers of Eog mansei, led by UPF vice president Shin In-seon. 

The Completion Ceremony of “Cambodia Big Dream Library”

The “Building of Cambodia Big Dream Library” is a project organized by the Women’s Federation for World Peace Korea and sponsored by several companies through WFWP Korea’s signature humanitarian project, “1% Love Share Project”. This “Cambodia Big Dream Library” aimed to construct two libraries and annex toilets at the Kou Loab Primary School and Ahn Chanh Primary School in the Kratie Province of Cambodia.

On December 29, 2022, the completion ceremony of the Library for Ahn Chanh Primary School was attended by 1,200 people, including Dr. Julia Moon, president of the WFWP International, Mrs. Young Sun Choi, president of the WFWP Korea, Sang Gyun Kim, chairman of the HJ Magnolia International Medical Center, Youk Bunna, permanent secretary of State of the Ministry of Civil Service and president of the Royal School of Administration, Tuy BunSerey Roathmony, vice Provincial Governor of Kratie, government officials, local leaders, residents, teachers, and students.

Dr. Julia Moon, president of WFWP International, said, “This project was organized to provide equal educational opportunities and raise future peace leaders. We hope that all the students here will work hard in their studies and become talented people with wonderful characters who will become future leaders of this beautiful country of Cambodia”.



(from the top) Plaque of Appreciation presented, Royal Certificate Award and Presentation of Hyojeong Character Education Books, A view of the Great Dreams Library at Ahn Chanh Primary School, Completion Tape Cutting Ceremony

Youk Bunna, president of the Royal School of Administration, expressed the following in his message: "I would like to express my deep gratitude to the WFPW for building two libraries for our students to realize their dreams" and added, "I hope that the students will study hard and in the future, there will be many Cambodian experts who will be involved in social activities with Korean and Japanese experts to help people in other countries."

The Cambodia Big Dream Library project began its construction in June. It was completed in November after six months of construction for access roads, a library, a toilet, and the purchase of interior equipment. The two libraries were built with a total area of 96m² and 80m² where students can access and read various books freely.

Initially, these libraries will be open for students from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. and are planned to gradually open their use as various cultural spaces for the residents.

The donations and sponsorship for this project were raised through the WFPW Korea, Tongil Group, The Segye Times, Ilhwa, Yong Pyong Resort, Yeosu The Ocean Resort, ILSHINSTONE, Tongil Industries Co., JC Corporation, Seilo, Shinjeong Development, and Sunwon Construction. In addition, the HJ World Peace Foundation produced and donated Character Education textbooks in the hope that Cambodian teenagers will be raised with education on proper values and character cultivation during their growth period.

WFPW was granted General Consultative Status with the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of the United Nations in 1997 and has constantly been working and contributing to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals adopted by the United Nations by providing universal welfare and equal educational opportunities to avoid that the neglected class of people are left behind.

Finally, WFPW stated, "We will continue to keep our relationship with Cambodia to provide equal educational opportunities and raise future leaders within the youth in Cambodia." 



Ceremony for Completing Construction of the Great Dream Library

3rd Family Peace Society Academic Conference

A study on the various roles of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification

The 3rd Family Peace Society Academic Conference, co-hosted by the Family Peace Society and the Sub-region 2 branch of UPF, was held on December 22 (11.29 H.C.) in the 2nd-floor seminar room of the Guri Family Church. The topic of discussion for the conference was “The Mission and Role of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification for a Heavenly Unified Korea.”

FFWPU District Leader Kim Jong-Su, a professor of ministry at Sunhak UP Graduate University, in his welcoming message stated, “The ongoing work of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification in Headwing Unification activities, the True Family Movement and Peace UN activities will be important cornerstones in bringing national unity and international cooperation in preparing for the age of heavenly unified Korea.”

In his lecture on “The Family Theology of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification,” Hwangbo Guk, Subregion 2 UPF chairman, emphasized, “One of the most important missions of the Family Federation is developing a family theology.”

Speaking about his study of Jewish family education, Chairman Hwangbo said, “By studying the Jewish view of the family and of family education, which focuses on specific education about the Shema, Torah, and Talmud and then comparing the theological, education and social culture aspects of the Jewish church and the Family Federation, we can come to understand the meaning of Family Federation family theology and practical methods for teaching it. The core of family theology is to emphasize family redemption rather than individual salvation, and eventually to expand the family model to the tribe, people, nation, and world.”



A view of the panel discussion

THINK TANK 2022 Policy Research Institute Secretary General Cho Hyung-guk gave the first theme presentation of the seminar, “Women’s Family Peace, Why is this a Future Value?” introducing the teachings of WFWP and UPF founders Moon Sun-myung and Han Hak-ja, and emphasized, “To establish a heavenly unified Korea and heavenly unified world, we need not only education in values, but must also include the True Family Movement, and Peace UN activities.” Secretary-General Cho continued, “A culture of extreme individualism plagues today’s world, issues of aging and low birth rates, the climate crisis, and the appearance of a new cold war in Northeast Asia. The only answer is the restoration of human nature and expansion of a culture of peace offered by the True Family Movement of the Family Federation. Putting into practice the teachings of Dr. Moon Sun-myung and Dr. Han Hak-ja and preparing the path toward a heavenly unified Korea and a heavenly unified world will provide a very hopeful way forward.”

Sunhak UP Graduate University Professor Kim In-su presented a lecture on “Improving Parent-Child Relationships Seen through Internal and External Four-position Foundations.” Professor Kim has organized a plan for improving family relations based on the concept of four-position foundations taught by Dr. Moon and Dr. Han. She explained, “Through an internal four-position foundation anchored in the “shimjeong” or heart of Heavenly Parent, and an external four-position foundation based on the purpose of creation, the relationships between parents and children can be improved.” Going further, she said, “Since the original parent-child relationship described in Unification Thought resembles the internal and external four-position foundation of Heavenly Parent, it includes an individualism leaning toward egoism, along with a relationship-oriented aspect tending toward altruism so that it can maintain its integrity and balance. When it comes to substantial plans for improving parent-child relationships, I suggest reading the scriptures (True Parents’ words) and sharing faith practices within the family to educate about Heavenly Parent’s heart and the purpose of creation.”

In the following discussion, the four presenters were joined by Moon Byeong-Cheol (THINK TANK 2022 Policy Research Fellow) and Sunhak UP Graduate University Professor Yu Inchang.

The presenters, panel members, and conference participants engaged in a wide-ranging discussion on the mission and role of the Family Federation in establishing a heavenly unified Korea. This was followed by discussion and Q and A exploring how to minimize conflict in the family and build healthy families that can contribute to a healthy society by utilizing family theology, the True Family Movement, and hyojeong culture. 



3rd Family Peace Society Academic Conference

Mobilization Workshop for 2023 Winter Crusade Team

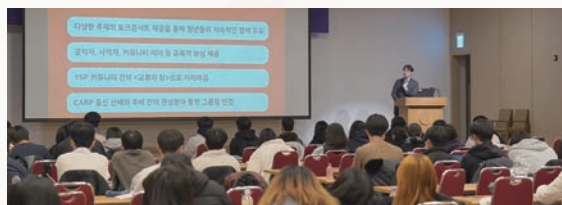
Korea CARP held a mobilization workshop for their 2023 Winter Crusade Team from January 2-4 (12.11-13 H.C.) at the CheonBo Education Center at the HJ Heaven and Earth CheonBo Training Center. The workshop was attended by 213 members of the Hyejeong Crusade Team and 150 youth leaders.

The youth and students participating in the mobilization workshop were primarily those who have decided to join in foreign mission activities in China. Along with the youth ministry leaders from around the country, the workshop was an opportunity for them to inherit True Parents' heart of hyojeong and develop their faith practices by joining the youth ministry leaders from across the country in youth ministry activities in local areas. The training they received also helped prepare them for a variety of other missions they will encounter as future talented leaders for the movement and to be exemplary blessed families who can serve their communities centered on Heavenly Parent and True Parents.

The first day of the mobilization workshop was led by Sub-region 3 YSP Chairman Yang Gwan-il as MC. It included a chanyang session, a reading of True Mother's New Year's Message, a pledge of determination, writing resolution statements and offering them, a pilgrimage to Cheon Won Gung and its visitor center, and unison prayer.

In his welcoming message, Korea YSP Chairman Kim Dong-yeon told the participants, "The tradition of crusade teams in the Unification Movement began with 40-day witnessing conditions by the early members. Together with True Parents, who had decided to offer their lives to God from an early age, the early members of the Family Federation chose to follow a life of sacrifice, dedication, and service, not because they were coerced, but because they were inspired to choose such a life. As we enter this new year, 2023, this is a good time to inherit that tradition and follow the path our elder brothers and sisters have walked with True Parents."

Chairman Kim continued, "Most recently, True Mother has told us not to worry, that our difficulties will pass soon. Although our community is facing challenges now, it is a time for us to move forward, with our focus not so much on self-confidence, but on altruism, on living for the sake of others."



(from the top) Lecture (Korean YSP Chair Kim Dong-yeon), Introducing the Peace Designer Assemble program (YSP President Kim Dong-yeon), Gathering by subregions, Determination and closing ceremony


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Dear True Mother:

I am a 21-year-old member of the Hyojeong Crusade Team from Jungwon Church in South Gyeonggi District, and I was very inspired as I attended the winter mobilization workshop. I participated in the summer Hyojeong Crusade Team last time, and I decided to come and participate again this winter. I determined to devote myself to Heaven's work. When I told my physical mother, who always offers anything she can to support me in my life of faith that I wanted to participate in the mobilization again this time, she supported my offering (my whole body and mind) to True Parents, even if I had to take a break from school to do so.

True Mother! I know I have many shortcomings, but I will do my best on the Hyojeong Crusade Team, hoping that it will help me grow a little more spiritually, with a heart of gratitude for the environment and abilities Heavenly Parent has given me. Do you understand my heart? I have heard that you are concerned about our health and safety. True Mother! We will follow this path to the end, no matter what kind of situation we face, without any complaint, offering everything for the revival of the church. I believe that during this mobilization, I will come to experience the heart of my parents, who are first-generation members who gave up everything to follow the will of Heavenly Parent and True Parents, and that through this time I will feel the infinite love and grace of Heaven. I will do my best during this time to develop my strengths with the love I have received from True Parents, and even though I have many shortcomings, I will give up everything and offer it to Heaven. True Mother! I thank you with all my heart! I love you!

Through the mobilization workshop, which was structured with an orientation followed by mobilization to work in local areas, the members of the Hyojeong Crusade Team had the opportunity to experience True Parents' hearts as youth ministers, inheriting the vision of the church. They set their goals and determination based on that vision. During the remainder of the 40-day mobilization, the young missionaries will witness to find new members, reach out to dormant members, recruit Top Gun participants, and participate in Peace Designer Assemble activities.

After receiving the Hyojeong Crusade Team Mobilization Workshop report, True Mother remarked, "It is hard even to find enough to eat and a good place to sleep in cold weather like this. With these young people on the Hyojeong Crusade Team we finally have a three-generation foundation. I hope they can move forward with confidence and dignity." 



The mobilization ceremony

1st 2023 Winter Hyojeong Special Workshop for Future Generation Youth

Korea CARP held its 1st 2023 Winter Hyojeong Special Workshop for Future Generation Youth from December 26 to January 2 (12.4–11 H.C.) at the HJ Heaven and Earth Training Center Chinhwa B main lecture hall, with 206 participants, including 113 Korean youths and 80 Japanese exchange students attending the seven-day workshop.

This Hyojeong Special Workshop was planned to develop the life of faith of the future generation through faith training, nurture a future generation who are aligned with True Parents, and help unmarried second-generation members complete the education they need to prepare for the Blessing.

The first day of the workshop included an orientation session with an introductory video, gyeong-bae, Family Pledge, report prayer (Park Jin-min from the training center education department), opening message (YSP Chairman Kim Dong-yeon), speech and benediction (CheonBo Won President Lee Gi-seong), orientation, Special CheonBo Lecture (Education Director Moon In-seong), writing and sharing shimjeong reflections and a closing prayer.

In his opening message, YSP Chair Kim Dong-yeon mentioned, “Like True Parents who have followed the path of jeongseong and our elder brothers and sisters, who followed True Parents on that path, you in the younger generation must also make a determination to go that kind of course. At this HJ Heaven and Earth CheonBo Training Center, for which True Parents have offered so much



(from the top) Opening speech (Korean YSP Chair Kim Dong-yeon), Speech and benediction (President Lee Gi-seong), Blessing lecture (Lecturer Lee Dong-kyui), Hyojeong Dream (Pastor Kageyama)

jeongseong and tears, I hope that during this workshop, you can feel comfort and new understanding through the love of Heavenly Parent and that you will be able to make a practical decision about how to move forward with your life of faith.”

President Lee Giseong read a passage from True Mother’s speech on May 5, 2016, at the Spring Great Works, on the topic “The Mind and Attitude for Life in the Cheon Il Guk Settlement Era.” In President Lee’s speech to the trainees, he conveyed, “I hope that during this time at the HJ Heaven and Earth Training Center, where you meet the love of the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind, through offering jeongseong and attending this workshop, you can establish your life of faith, raise your standard of shimjeong and substantially feel that you are living together with Heavenly Parent.”

The schedule for this first youth workshop focused on Hoondokhae, True Parents’ life course, recent providential events, Divine Principle lecture practice, Cheonshim Won prayer, the Blessing, Hyojeong Dreams, special CheonBo lectures, Hyojeong Talk Concert (Youth ministry and workshop participants), cultural evening (talent show and band performance), evening prayer, and writing and sharing shimjeong reflections.

The 206 Korean and Japanese youth who attended the workshop developed their hearts of hyojeong. As the workshop ended, they all pledged to devote themselves with warm love and passion to becoming one with True Parents’ current providence. 7



(from the top) Prayer at the Tree of Love, Team meetings, 2023 Winter Hyojeong Special Workshop for Future Generation Youth, Commemorative Photo


1st 2023 Winter Hyojeong Special Workshop for Seonghwa Students

Korea CARP held the 1st 2023 Winter Hyojeong Special Workshop for Seonghwa Students (formerly Korea Top Gun Youth) from January 5–11, 2023 (12.15–20 H.C.) at the HJ Heaven and Earth CheonBo Training Center in the 1st-floor lecture hall of the CheonBo Education Center. The six-day workshop was attended by 150 participants, including 46 youth church staff and interns from the country, youth ministers, and Seonghwa students.

The trainees were excited to be at the workshop, as it was this was the first winter student workshop to be held on site after the long COVID-19 pandemic, and careful attention was paid through the use of masks, handwash, safety staff, and other measures were used to prevent any COVID outbreaks from interrupting the workshop.

YSP Headquarters Director Kang Dong-hun served as the MC for the orientation session, which included an opening prayer (Training Department Director Park Jinmin), opening speech and benediction (Korea YSP Chair Kim Dong-yeon), and orientation.

The schedule for the 1st Winter Seonghwa Student Workshop included hoondokhae, Divine Principle lectures, True Parents' life course, and recent providential events, special CheonBo lectures, the Blessing, Hyojeong Talk Concerts and Q & A, special lectures from successful 2nd generation members, career guidance, talent show, a friendly sports competition, writing and sharing shimjeong reflections and other programs.

The Seonghwa students who attended the workshop said that one week had gone by way too quickly and that what they had learned and experienced would not end there but would become part of their daily life practice, and they pledged their commitment to attend Heavenly Parent and True Parents with a heart of hyojeong. 




(from the top) Opening Ceremony (Introducing staff and Director Wang), Friendly Sports Competition, Visiting CheonBo Won, 2023 Winter Hyojeong Special Workshop for Future Generation Youth, Commemorative Photo

2nd 2023 Winter Hyojeong Special Workshop for Seonghwa Students

Korea CARP held the 2nd 2023 Winter Hyojeong Special Workshop for Seonghwa Students from January 13–19, 2023 (12.22–28 H.C.) at the HJ Heaven and Earth CheonBo Training Center in the main lecture hall of the Chinhwa A Education Center. The six-day workshop had a staff of 58 and 362 participants and was conducted with COVID-19 prevention measures.

The orientation session for the 2nd 2023 Winter Seonghwa Students Workshop included an orientation, an opening report (Training Department Director Park Jinmin), and a speech and benediction prayer by Subregion 1 YSP chair Byun Jung-ho, and the schedule for the workshop included hoondokhae, Divine Principle lectures, True Parents' life course, and recent providential events, special CheonBo lectures, the Blessing, Hyojeong Talk Concerts and Q & A, special lectures from successful 2nd generation members, career guidance, talent show, a friendly sports competition, writing and sharing shimjeong reflections and other programs.

The Seonghwa students resolved many issues and worries about their faith and points in the Divine Principle that they had not understood fully and offered their determination to attend Heavenly Parent and True Parents with a heart of hyojeong and to do their best to live their lives as exemplary next generation leaders. 



(from the top) Writing and sharing shimjeong reflections, Entertainment, Hyojeong Talk Concert, Cheonshim Won prayer, 2023 Winter Hyojeong Special Workshop for Future Generation Youth, Commemorative Photo

USA NEWS

RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES

UPF Los Angeles Interfaith Dinner

UPF Los Angeles hosted an Interfaith Dinner on December 10 to share the vision of UPF and to introduce Dr. Chung Sik Yong, Regional President of Heavenly USA, to the 25 dignitaries who attended. Each person introduced themselves and their role in their faith community. The evening concluded with Dr. Yong sharing with the participants what he learned from True Parents about living for the sake of others.

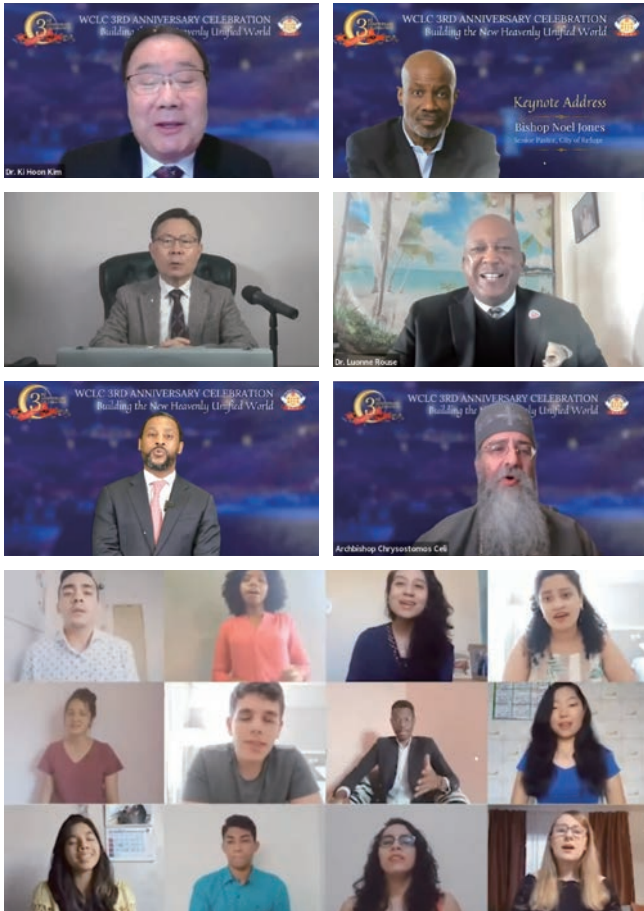


Bay Area YCLC/ACLC Summit

The Bay Area Young Clergy Leadership Conference (YCLC) and American Clergy Leadership Conference (ACLC) held the “YCLC/ACLC Summit: Becoming Christ Like” on December 17. A total of 150 people, which included 20 ministers and 30 guests, participated. Dr. Chung Sik Yong, Regional President of Heavenly USA, spoke about the Three Great Blessings and how True Parents came to fulfill Jesus’ original mission. The Christian ministers in attendance received the message well and some committed to study the Divine Principle further. A YCLC leader gave a short Divine Principle lecture. The summit included a live band performing great music, much discussion and reflection time, a Prayer Breakfast, and a closing prayer for the youth.



Bay Area YCLC/ACLC Summit



On December 28, the World Christian Leadership Conference (WCLC) celebrated its 3rd anniversary. The celebration aimed to reconnect WCLC members to the founding spirit of WCLC through True Mother's message and through the message of prominent Christian leaders around the world, such as Bishop Noel Jones, Senior Pastor of the City of Refuge in Los Angeles. The celebration featured a congratulatory song called "Eres Tu," performed by Youth and Students for Peace (YSP) from Latin America. Over 500 people joined the live YouTube stream and many more watched the recording.



YCLC 3rd Anniversary Celebration



On December 28, the Young Clergy Leadership Conference (YCLC), founded on the same day as WCLC, celebrated the past 3 years of YCLC. The event focused on the vision and strategy going into 2023. In total, 291 people joined the livestream on the YCLC YouTube page building up energy and excitement around YCLC's new direction. The celebration increased support for YCLC through donations and the purchase of their new publication, *The 43 Day Devotion: A Journey to Becoming Christ-like*. The celebration featured new music, powerful messages, and exciting new YCLC opportunities.



The Next Great Awakening

On December 17, the Belvedere Family Church (BFC) hosted an event called the Next Great Awakening, a collaboration between the BFC community and Young Clergy Leadership Conference (YCLC) in New York. The event was created to re-awaken Christian leadership, bringing together differ-



ent communities to discuss goals for cultural transformation of America in 2023. YCLC hopes to inspire the next generation to get involved. In attendance were Christian pastors, ministers, young Christians, YCLC members, new Family Federation members, and guests. Main speakers included: Rev. Joshua Holmes, National Director of YCLC, Rev. Joel Polo, Pastor of the Ebenezer Church of God in Yonkers, NY, Rev. James Parker, Pastor of E.Y.E.S on Christ, and Rev. Justin Okamoto, Pastor of the BFC. The event featured a facilitated vision creation session, where everyone wrote down their vision and ministry goals for 2023. The sharing of these visions inspired everyone who attended. Generation Peace Academy's Heavenly USA (GPA's HUSA) offered praise music and dance and livened the spirit throughout the day, as 40 people joined them, merging into a choir/dance team of both Unificationists and Christians. 80 people in total attended.

22nd Annual International Christmas Celebration with Live Nativity Scene

The 22nd Annual International Celebration of Christmas with Live Nativity was held on Sunday, December 18, at the Old-World Village in Huntington Beach, Southern California. It started 22 years ago with one Unificationist minister, Mrs. Susan Munsell, who wanted to share her passion to celebrate Jesus's birth with people from all around the world. The celebration was an international, intercultural, and interdenominational reenactment of the First Nativity. Talented members from the Los Angeles Family Church,



various congregations affiliated with ACLC, and related ministries came together to create the angel choir, narration, cast, crew, and performance of the Christmas story. Tradition, song, and dance from around the world were highlighted in the program. The Mayor Pro-Tem of Huntington Beach gave welcoming remarks. Admission to the event was free, however all proceeds and donations amounting to \$1200 benefited American Family Housing, which provides an array of services to support homeless and low-income families and adults to secure a stable home. Over 300 people were in attendance.

PEACE ACTIVITIES

Compatriot Family Reunion: North-South Korea Unity

On December 17, a rally for the unification of North and South Korea called "Compatriot Family Union" was held at the Los Angeles Family Church at the time of its Sunday Service. Participants heard from Dr. Ki Hoon Kim, Chairman of the World Clergy Leadership Conference, who spoke about his family's escape from North Korea, and from Dr. Teddy Choi, Ambassador for Peace of Korea in Los Angeles, who spoke on the struggles of Korean-Japanese people living in Japan. CARP LA sisters wore chima jeogori and helped usher and welcome guests, and local members provided musical performances. Over 300 people attended the livestream, and 150 people attended in person.



CHURCH EVENTS

Atlanta Christmas Concert & Talent Show



The Georgia Family Church (GFC) in Atlanta hosted a Christmas Concert & Talent Show on December 18, in the hopes of gathering the community together as one family and to raise funds for the coming year. The choir director, Melvin Amos, who was witnessed to by the pastor of GFC, Pastor Luke Higuchi, brought 50 guests and together they raised \$2000. A total of 100 people attended.



Capital Family Church Focuses on Young Families

On January 8, Capital Family Church in Washington, D.C. kicked off the year with a Sunday Service focused on young blessed families, the first of its kind in that area. Young families brought their small children for a Sunday Service with songs, dance, and games fit for children, as well as fellowship for young second-generation parents with



refreshments and coffee. This type of service was created to encourage young families to attend church regularly and create a young family community. This initiative will continue to be a regular service throughout the year.



SUNGHWA YOUTH WORKSHOPS

Bay Area Youth Winter Workshop

From December 27-30, the Bay Area Youth Ministry Team hosted a workshop for high school youth on the theme of "One Family Under God." All the lecturers and speakers were young adults, including a lecture from the Bay Area Assistant Pastor on the final day. The 17 high school youth shared their desire to continue learning True Parents' stories and to invite God into their daily lives. They enjoyed learning the meaning of repentance and spending time playing games and sports together.



Next Generation Winter Workshop 2022



On December 26 - 29, the Youth and Young Adult Ministry (YAYAM) in the Northeast Subregion hosted a winter workshop in Barrytown, NY. 150 youth, 2nd and 3rd generation, gathered for a fun and deeply spiritual experience. Several blessed children testified that they had a spiritual experience during the workshop. There was so much love and unity flowing within the workshop, and everyone felt much closer to each other. Resfred Arthur, Secretary General of the Northeast Subregion, and Yasutaka Ozawa, National YAYAM coordinator, together with the youth pastors from around the subregion, organized the workshop.



Divine Principle and prayed at the Cheon Shim Won Prayer Hall. 21 young 1st generation joined this workshop with a total of 50 participants. Many of the 1st generation spiritual children testified about their breakthroughs in their relationship with God, the Divine Principle, and in their understanding of True Parents.

Kona Aloha Ocean Challenge Program

From December 28, 2022 to January 3, 2023, the Kona Family Church hosted a one-week Ocean Challenge program at the Hawaiian Queen Coffee Garden. Nine lucky youths caught a lot of fish, toured the volcano park, visited the Black Sand Beach, and stargazed, as they connected with True Parents' spirit in Hawaii. They visited the Hawaiian Queen Coffee Farm, King and Queen Garden, and the Abalone Fish Farm. Participants heard testimonies from elder Unificationists such as Mr. Bruce Brown, Captain Frank Button, Captain Gabriel Legay, and Rev. Chuck Frumin about True Parents and the ocean providence. The program gave participants an understanding of our Heavenly Parent through True Parents' vision for Hawaii, the Pacific Rim Providence, and through introductory fishing experiences in Kona. Participants testified that the ocean is one of the greatest teachers of the world.



National CARP USA: "New Hope"

On January 2-8, young second-generation Unificationists brought their spiritual children to Cheon Shim Won in Las Vegas for the national CARP USA 2023 kick-off, "New Hope." Together they studied the



National YAYAM Kick-off Retreat



The National Youth and Young Adult Ministry (YAYAM) held a 2023 kick-off retreat from January 6-8 in Las Vegas, to connect to Heavenly Parent and True Parents, pray at Cheon Shim Won and receive guidance from Rev. Jin Hwa Chung, Vice President of Cheon Shim Won, USA. National YAYAM Coordinator, Yasutaka Ozawa, led the YAYAM subregional coordinators in discussions on planning points for 2023 for each subregion. They also spent time touring in the Valley of Fire Park, and walked the Fire Wave Trail. A small team, they endeavored to bond and get to know each other better in hopes that together they can serve Unification youth well in 2023.



North to the Future: Alaska Winter Workshop in Kodiak

On December 27-31, youth in Alaska gathered for a winter workshop. Kodiak Family Church Youth Pastor, Alina Button, and Anchorage Family Church Assistant



Pastor, Masami Kageyama, organized the winter workshop together with 5 youth from Anchorage and the Kodiak kitchen staff. 25 youth aged 9-18 attended. This workshop was significant as it brought Anchorage and Kodiak youth together for the first time. The purpose of the workshop was to reflect on gratitude, the victories and challenges of 2022, digest their experiences seeing God working throughout 2022, and make new goals and determinations for 2023.

BCSF Winter Competition

The Blessed Culture and Sports Festival (BCSF), who usually meets annually in the summer, held an indoor mid-year winter sports competition on December 30-31, 2022 at the Sports Domain Academy in Clifton, NJ. Denthew Learey, BCSF Coordinator, organized the event, bringing together 80 youth, including 6 guests to join the games. 



CAMBODIA Report of Activities

1. FFWPU Cambodia Visits Local Community Leaders



Kampong Speu Province, Cambodia: On December 17, 2022, Some leaders from FFWPU-Cambodia, led by Mrs. Masumi Schmittat, visited four local communities. In the Samrongtong district of Kampong Speu, they conducted a Blessing Ceremony with around 2,000 couples. During the visits, they also held programs for families and met with high school principals and community leaders to discuss their support for seven-day Divine Principle workshops for young people in January 2023. The community leaders were enthusiastic about supporting the workshops, and they agreed to host the workshops at their community centers and schools. They said our educational programs would help their youth become model citizens and good future leaders. They also agreed that Blessing is very important and that having more blessed families in their communities would strengthen their communities. So they are interested in holding more Blessing ceremonies soon.

As a result of these visits, FFWPU Cambodia recognized how eager the local community leaders are to work together with us because they know that the youth are the future of their communities and their country and that they need to provide them with education not only in skills but also in good heart and character.

2. Family Visitation and Family Character Education



Battambang Province, Cambodia: From December 2–14, Mr. Mikhail Shurshilin visited Battambang Province, where he and other Russian heavenly tribal messiahs are witnessing and caring for their tribes. During this visit, he visited the communities in his tribe area as the representative of True Parents to share love and heart with them. During this visit, he visited blessed families, met with local community leaders, and led a Blessing Ceremony for one of the couples helping to take care of the tribe.

During this family visit tour in Battambang Province, Mr. Shurshilin met with more than 100 families and spoke with them about the importance of empowering youth leaders and blessed families to work toward victory in VISION 2027 by building a solid foundation for a heavenly unified Korea and heavenly unified world.

After visiting the families in Battambang Province, he visited families in Banteay Meanchey Province. Then he stopped to enjoy the natural and cultural beauty of Angkor Archaeological Park in nearby Siem Reap Province. Angkor Wat, a temple complex which one of the most spectacular examples of traditional Khmer architecture, is located in the park.

3. Service Project Charity Work and Character Education in Rural Areas



Battambang Province, Samlout district: On December 8, 2022, a Character Education Textbooks and

other educational materials was donated to support the 250 children attending the Prey Thom Primary School.

The students, parents, and teachers in the area were so happy to see our blessed families and receive hope and vision through them. Now they can see a brighter future and want to join us in doing something for a higher purpose to support their community and nation.

WFWP International President, Julia. H. Moon attended the dedication ceremony and spoke about WFWP's support for developing good character and strong families. Also, WFWP Korea supported building a library in some schools in Cambodia, which was dedicated on December 26. The Hyojeong World Peace Foundation produced a Khmer language edition of the Hyojeong Academic Foundation's elementary school Hyojeong Character Education Textbook and donated 20 copies to the library. The parents and school officials were very grateful for the books, not only because of the importance of character education for their young people but also because they have very few textbooks available in Khmer for their schools.

4. Christmas Food Drive Project “Food is Love”



“Food is Love” was the theme of a Christmas Food Drive Project in Cambodia held on December 25, 2022,

in front of Kanta Bopha IV Children's Hospital in Phnom Penh, Cambodia's capital city. The food drive was organized by IAYSP-Cambodia and was conducted by nine youth volunteers and students from IAYSP Cambodia. The students delivered food boxes to about 60 patients, children, and parents who were waiting for the hospital to open so the children could receive treatment, and also provided food boxes to hospital staff and vendors. The IAYSP Cambodia team started to prepare the food very early in the morning, starting at 3:00 a.m. and had a wonderful experience giving the children and parents waiting at the hospital a happier Christmas by giving them food. True Parents have taught us that “Food is LOVE.”


After preparing the food boxes, the students arrived at the hospital at 5:00 a.m. and waited for about an hour and a half until many children and parents came to wait for the hospital to open. The IAYSP Cambodia team finished the Christmas Food Drive Project with happy hearts and smiles because all the food boxes they had prepared had been given out, and their Christmas plan to share love through food in front of the Children's Hospital was successfully completed.

5. Tongil Moodo Promotion Tests and Closer Cooperation with Government



Kampot Province in southwestern Cambodia which is known for producing high quality pepper, which is exported world-

wide. The Kampot Tongil Moodo (TIMD) Association organized performances throughout the province, including TIMD demonstrations and promotion tests to celebrate the coming New Year and to witness about True Parents to the people of the province.

FFWPU and its associated organizations in the Kampot area are working hard to support True Parents' wish to restore one-third of the world's population by 2027 by reaching out to restore one-third of the population of Kampot Province through educating VIPs, holding Asia Pacific Leadership Conferences to share True Parents' vision, and training heavenly tribal messiah coordinators. They are further reaching out to mobilize the spirit world by inviting witnessing contacts to participate in ancestor liberation and ancestor blessing. The Association is joining the efforts by mobilizing TIMD trainees to work as instructors with the vision of supporting the 2023 South East Asian Games, which Cambodia will host this coming May. Working together, they are dedicated to developing the Kampot area as a model district, full of blessed families who follow True Parents' tradition, and can visit Heavenly Korea for the dedication of Cheon Won Gung in May. On December 25, 2022, Kampot TIMD Vice President and UPF Advisor Mr. Sok Kreich met with the administrative director of Kampot Province to discuss future cooperation. Mr. Kreich and his staff received a warm welcome from the provincial officials. They had a fruitful meeting during which the province agreed to work together to strengthen the ties between the NGOs and the Royal Cambodian Government. NGOs have already benefited the people of Cambodia through their key role in developing the socio-economic and political spheres. By strengthening the partnership further, our NGOs hope to expand dialogue and cooperation with local governments and non-government institutions to improve the quality of life in their respective regions. 

12th Heavenly Asia Pacific Sung Hwa Youth Workshop

After two consecutive years of virtual events, the Heavenly Asia Pacific region, spearheaded by the Blessed Children Department, finally culminated its annual 12th Heavenly Asia Pacific Sung Hwa Youth Workshop from December 26, 2022, to January 1, 2023, in the FFWPU Philippines Headquarters, Manila, Philippines. With the theme: “Becoming the Light of the World with a Filial Heart for Heaven,” the first hybrid workshop served as an avenue for blessed children to learn more about the value of their identity and the Blessing and to develop their life of faith and heart of hyojeong toward Heavenly Parent and True Parents.

Overall, 410 blessed children; on-site, 117, and online, 293 from 14 nations participated, namely; Malaysia, Singapore, Australia, Hong Kong, Japan, Thailand, Cambodia, Nepal, Mongolia, Korea, USA, Mainland China, the Filipino-Japanese community, and the host nation, Philippines.

This year, the workshop integrated nine special lectures, Hoon Dok Hae morning devotion, sight-seeing, sports, team-building activities, service projects, and BC Got Talent events to enable blessed children to attain the objectives. Through these activities, blessed children could receive more direct guidance, connect deeply with Heavenly Parent and True Parents’ hearts, bond with their Blessed Children’s brothers and sisters from the Asia Pacific region, practice True Love in action by living for the sake of others, and showcasing their God-given

talents and skills.

Because of the immense love and hope of the respected leaders for the blessed children, the Regional Leaders of Heavenly Asia Pacific were very hands-on and prepared earnestly and with full dedication for the workshop, especially educating and raising our precious blessed children. The speakers of the lecture sessions include Dr. Robert Kittel, Asia Pacific Cheon Eui Won Chair; Pres. Demian Dunkley, HPHC-FFWPU Regional President of Asia Pacific 1; Pres. Masaichi Hori, HPHC-FFWPU Regional President of Asia Pacific 2; Rev. Ronnie Sodusta, IAYSP President and HPHC-FFWPU Regional Vice President of Asia Pacific 2; and Mrs. Ursula Mclackland, the BFD Director of Asia Pacific 1. In addition, Rev. Yutaka Yamada, the Sub-Regional President of Oceania; Dr. Kimsrui Tang, HPHC-FFWPU Regional Vice President of Asia Pacific 1; and Dr. Julius Malicdem, HPHC-FFWPU Regional Vice President of Asia Pacific 2, led the Morning Devotion schedules with their profound sermons.

Moreover, blessed elder children who had breakthroughs in their life of faith, Blessing, and community-building also conveyed their testimonies to inspire their fellow blessed children to lead their path as well. The participants had the opportunity to raise their questions during the Question and Answer sessions which opened into the speakers’ sharing of their insights and life guidance with the blessed children. Through the leaders’ jeongseong and dedication, the blessed children





participants were able to reflect more about cultivating the heart of hyojeong toward their parents, developing their own life of faith, the significance of the Blessing, and their contribution to the BC Holy Community.

The 12th Heavenly Asia Pacific Sung Hwa Youth Workshop carried through with high spirits and overflowing love because of the utmost dedication of the leaders, staff, parents, and participants. Ultimately, the blessed children expressed their gratitude and firm resolve to contribute to the realization of Vision 2027 as they ended the year 2022 and began 2023 attending Heavenly Parent and True Parents and relating heartistically with their brothers and sisters. With longing hearts, they were able to offer a moving performance to our beloved True Mother and concluded the workshop victoriously. The Heavenly Asia Pacific region looks forward to continuing to educate the blessed children through various activities this 2023, including the most anticipated year-end workshop this December.

TESTIMONIES

“As the day of this workshop was coming, I had this special feeling that something great was about to happen, and something special did happen. We had a lot of experiences and precious moments- we learned a lot, and we

also had a lot of realizations. Personally, many of my questions before coming here have been answered through the lectures, and I'm very grateful for that. Thank you so much to our dedicated lecturers. Since I've gathered all those answers, I guess the remaining thing for me is to have an action plan for them... I want to thank everyone again, and I'm grateful for this opportunity and all the blessings and wisdom we received from this workshop. And I want to thank everybody's unique joy. I had a great experience being with everyone, and I thank you for your hearts, sincerity, and craziness. I'm glad to know I'm not the only crazy person in the world. And also, thank you for your hard work and your brotherly and sisterly love. To end my reflection, I'd like to end it with this. Life is a journey, continuous learning, and the life of overcoming faith and love. I hope we all return home with all these precious memories and learnings and be victorious in our missions. I also want to encourage everybody to overcome their challenges and ask for help, especially if they need spiritual help or support, because the storm won't last. Finally, let's help God and True Parents and offer our victory. May God bless us all. Thank you so much. I love you all.” — *Jon Olive*

“I was very inspired by how our elder 2nd gen BC had breakthroughs in their life of faith. I felt their heart for God in their stories. I also reflect on my situation and how firm my connection to HP and TPs is. I have a long way to go to understand deeply how I can return love to God and make him proud.” — *Humi Suzuki (online participant)* ㄸ



