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# The Responsibility of Blessed Families Living in the Era of Cheon Il Guk

hat is the current responsibility of our blessed families who are living in the Cheon II Guk era, the time for the completion of God's providence? The Creator, the center of the universe, had a dream. God created the natural world, and finally created the first man and woman in the divine image, giving them a growing period, a span of time during which they should mature.

For 6,000 years, human history has seen a constant cycle of war and conflict. Through human ignorance, even this beautiful planet Earth—which Heavenly Parent created for us—is being destroyed. Scientists are saying that at this rate there is little hope for the future of humanity or for the future of our planet Earth.

What do you think is the mission of the Second Coming Messiah? What was Jesus' hope? Why did he say he would come back? He indicated he would return to meet the Only Begotten Daughter.

As I said earlier, Heaven must surely bring the providence to completion. In order to fulfill the providence, the Only Begotten Daughter had to be born. In 1943, at last, the Only Begotten Daughter was born on the Korean Peninsula.

In 1543 Calvin's ideas for the Reformation were established and, after he submitted his writings to the Holy Roman Empire's Imperial Diet, the church system was restructured. Four hundred years later, the Only Begotten Daughter was born. She had to be born on a Christian foundation. Through the

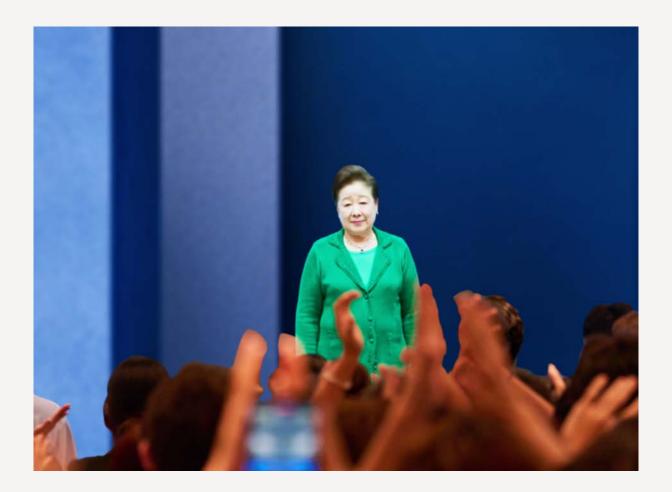
Spirit-led movement of that time, many miraculous works occurred, and finally the Only Begotten Daughter was born. Yet the Korean Peninsula was divided North and South.

At that time I was in the North. My family believed that the advent of the Messiah would occur in Pyongyang. Because young men who stayed in the North were being conscripted into the North Korean Army, they were all trying to go to the South.

From the moment I was born, I endured an exceptionally difficult childhood and adolescence-far beyond what is considered normal in the course of human life. I lived through the harshest of times, caught in the midst of a battlefield where democracy and communism were fiercely at war. Today, also, people talk of the many problems besetting our youth. Even in the midst of such harsh conditions I could always feel hope because I knew God was with me.

My resolve to realize Heavenly Parent's dream on earth during my lifetime remained unwavering. Thus, at the time of the Holy Wedding in 1960, I thought, "If not me, then who?" and resolved, "I will do it." As a result, True Parents were established, and from that point on blessed families appeared.

After going through a long wilderness journey of 53 years, almost 60 years, I declared Foundation Day, and achieved the firm settlement of Cheon II Guk. No one could help me with this. As you have



heard earlier, I had the heart like someone trying to find a single needle in a desert engulfed by a blinding sandstorm.

Because they know Heavenly Parent's hope, True Parents must live their life in the kingdom of heaven on earth attending Heavenly Parent, and they must show this to others. To do so, I had to step forward myself, starting from nothing.

I first spoke about the Only Begotten Daughter in front of Christian pastors in the United States, after Father's Seonghwa. Those ministers said, "Why did we not know this truth? How could we have missed something so obvious?" and they expressed gratitude.

The providence has advanced. The Unification Church began with Father, but it was when I stepped forward that True Parents emerged.

Heavenly Parent's dream and hope must be fulfilled while True Mother, True Parents, are on earth. Therefore, I have spent ten years building HJ Cheonwon to demonstrate, "This is the image of Cheon II Guk, the heavenly kingdom on earth that we must see and embrace in the future."

So, the blessed families living in the era of Cheon Il Guk must take responsibility. I showed you everything and created the environment for you.

Then what should you do?

Here today are Shin-chul and Shin-heung. I intend to send the UPA graduates out to witness throughout the world. I also plan to train our second-generation blessed children and send them out to the world to witness. Should we not let people know about True Parents and Heavenly Parent? And not only the people of Korea but all eight billion people of the world! That is why, going forward, we plan to create a system by which, after graduating from university, young people serve in a public mission for one or two years before returning to continue their studies or the career of their choosing.

I have a deep interest in our second generation. They are second generation blessed families, the center and blossoming flowers of our future. I hope you will bloom beautifully all over the world. 7

This is excerpted from True Mother's speech given during her visit to the Namyangju Grand Church Festival of True Love on November 19, 2023 (10.7 by the heavenly calendar, 11th Year of Cheon II Guk)

## Moon Shin-chul and Moon Shin-heung, Inheritors of Heaven's Love and Blessing **World Tour: Asia-Pacific**

n September, the world tour of the Inheritors of Heaven's Love and Blessing, which had begun on June 17, 2025 (5.22 by the heavenly calendar in the 13th year of Cheon II Guk) expanded to the Heavenly Asia-Pacific area. The recent leg of the tour focused on Oceania, including New Zealand (September 10-1), Australia (September 12-14) and the Solomon Islands (September 15-18). The touring party of Inheritors Moon Shin-chul and Moon Shin-heung visited holy grounds in each country, met with VIPs and local members and attended various events, including the opening of an exhibition on True Parents' life course.



#### **New Zealand** A warm welcome after an 18-hour flight

n the morning of September 9, the touring party departed from Incheon International Airport, and after a long 18-hour journey via Singapore, they arrived in

Auckland, New Zealand. As the nation's largest city, Auckland is New Zealand's economic hub. On arrival, they were warmly welcomed at the airport by Asia-Pacific Continental Director Masaichi Hori and his wife, plus Vice Continental Director Yutaka Yamada and local members.

The group then moved to the New Zealand Headquarters Church, where they shared lunch with local leaders and key members. The official itinerary began with a status report from FFWPU New Zealand National Leader Kenji Watanabe. After the briefing about the overall situation in New Zealand and the key activities of the Family Federation, the delegation visited the Holy Ground in the Auckland Domain Park.

A gathering with the members at the Parnell Peace Embassy was the opportunity for a warm welcome and deep connection with the touring party. Some members had traveled for more than three hours to attend. During the first part of the program, Continental Director Hori and Vice Director Yamada offered warm welcoming remarks,













- ① The Inheritors' touring party, who arrived after an 18-hour flight (10 Sep) ② Listening to a report on the key activities of FFWPU-New Zealand (10 Sep)
- 3 The Inheritors visit the holy ground at Domain National Park (10 Sep) (4) In front of the Auckland War Memorial Museum (10 Sep) (5) Cutting the welcome cake at the Parnell Peace Embassy (10 Sep) ® Touring party visits the Mount Victoria Lookout in Wellington (11 Sep)







① Members welcome the touring party at the Sydney airport (11 Sep) ② Praying at the holy Ground in the Sydney Olympic Park (NSW) (12 Sep) ③ Photo at the Sydney Opera House while retracing True Mother's footsteps (12 Sep)

which were followed by the cutting of a ceremonial cake. In his welcoming remarks, Rev. Hori explained that missionaries Moon Shin-chul and Moon Shin-heung had been appointed by True Mother and entrusted with encouraging and empowering the New Zealand members. The second part of the program featured a stirring cultural performance by young second-generation members. Everyone enjoyed the traditional New Zealand songs of welcome, and the enthusiastic performances from the Cook Islands and Tonga.

Human Resources Development Institute Director Park Su-hong testified to True Mother's devotion in nurturing the Inheritors of Heaven's Love and Blessing, and urged all blessed families to unite and open a new era of hope together. Missionary Moon Shin-chul conveyed True Mother's love to the members, encouraging everyone to reflect on their original heart of faith and to establish a firm foundation in oneness with True Mother. Missionary Moon Shin-heung encouraged those present to build a community where all can live true to themselves, in joy and freedom. Missionary Moon Yu-me offered words of encouragement, expressing her hope that the community would grow in happiness and unity with True Parents, becoming one in heart and spirit.

The members pledged to work hand in hand with the touring party to realize the ideal of one family of humankind under our Heavenly Parent.

On the following day, the touring party met with Heavenly Top Gun missionaries working in New Zealand. After listening to the Top Gun Missionaries' reports about the atmosphere of the New Zealand church and the challenges faced when witnessing, they discussed the future direction of the mission work. The afternoon was spent on a pilgrimage retracing True Parents' footsteps. At the Michael Joseph Savage Memorial Park, which True Mother had visited in 2006, they reflected on the spirit of Prime Minister Savage, and his devotion to the people of New Zealand.



Sydney, Australia Opening of an Exhibition on True Parents' Lives and Achievements

fter departing from New Zealand, the Inheritors and the world tour party arrived in Australia late at night and spent the third day of their trip in Sydney. The largest city in Australia, Sydney boasts a harbor that is counted among the

world's most beautiful.

At the Peace Embassy, which serves as the headquarters church in Australia, the delegation listened to a briefing on the Oceania mission work. Included were updates on the flow of missionary work, key activities, and future directions for the work in each nation, reaffirming the providential significance and mission that True Parents have bestowed upon the Asia-Pacific region. The team offered encouragement to the members who are carrying forward this vision. One elder member shared a testimony of his 45-year public mission in Australia, recalling True Parents' words on the importance of the Ocean Providence. A second-generation youth member deeply moved the audience with a heartfelt account of experiencing True Mother's love during the Pure Water Assembly.

In the afternoon, the group visited the holy ground at the Sydney Olympic Park, offering devotions there with local members and leaders. In the evening, they visited Sydney Bay, the Opera House and the Harbour Bridge, places True Mother had visited in the past, and took photos together. Australia FFWPU National Leader John Adamedes expressed his heartfelt desire to show the touring party the true essence of his country.

On September 13, the team met with Heavenly Top Gun missionaries active on the front line in Australia, and discussed concerns related to the mission field. Second-generation UPA Top Gun missionary Lee Sun-min expressed that through the tour party he felt the love of True Mother, as if Mother were personally comforting each and every person. Missionary Rie Zoza also shared that the warm attention and advice from the touring party felt like care from a trusted mentor, and gave her great comfort and encouragement. She reaffirmed her determination to create an environment in Sydney that can support True Mother, and to bring success in her mission.

The team also had the opportunity to meet with former Kiribati President Anote Tong and former New South Wales State Senator David John Clarke. Former president Tong spoke about the crisis faced by Pacific island nations due to rising sea levels, emphasizing the urgent need to address environmental issues. Senator Clarke testified to the achievements of True Parents in contributing to world peace and the end of communism, expressing his deep respect for them.

That afternoon, an exhibition on True Parents' lives and work was officially opened at the Peace Embassy. Around 70 peace ambassadors and members viewed the panels depicting True Parents' extraordinary lives and achievements, expressed their deep gratitude for True Parents' work for peace, and reaffirmed their commitment to carry forward that legacy. The Australia Family Federation announced that the exhibition would be open not only to members and associates of the Unification Movement but also to guests, serving as a platform for outreach and witnessing. During the opening ceremony, Missionary Moon Shin-chul expressed heartfelt thanks to the peace ambassadors and members who have walked the providential path with True Parents. Missionary Moon Shin-heung added that the exhibition was not merely a presentation on True Parents' lives, but a precious opportunity to testify that Heavenly Parent has been continuously working with True Father and Mother.

On September 14, a special Sunday service was held at the Headquarters Church at the Peace Embassy. Approximately 140 members attended the service, including some who had traveled more than 10 hours by car from Melbourne and Queensland. A video presentation on the delegation's 70-day journey to date portrayed the vision and purpose of the trip. After the service, the missionaries joined the members for a meal and shared their thoughts with the second-generation youth, displaying their sincere interest and giving much encouragement.

In the afternoon, the delegation visited the Mandaean Temple, where they were warmly welcomed by the president of the Mandaean World Congress and local believers. The Inheritors delivered a message of interreligious harmony and peace, strengthening their bond with the Mandaean faithful.



#### Solomon Islands Shouting out "Crown of Glory"

pon concluding their schedule in Sydney, Australia, the touring party arrived in the Solomon Islands on September 15, via Vanuatu. Located some 3,000

kilometers from Australia, the country is made up of more than a thousand islands. At the local airport, they were met by members of the Family Federation, along with teachers and students from the local school that our movement supports. Young people dressed in traditional Solomon islands attire performed with native instruments, while members lined the road, waving flags to greet the Inheritors and their entourage. That evening, a welcoming banquet was held at the Peace Embassy. Before the meal, second-generation youth welcomed them with the song "Way Maker," and the twelve members of the touring party exchanged greetings with everyone.

The seventh day of the Asia-Pacific Tour brought them to Honiara, the capital of the Solomon Island, where they were welcomed by Deputy Prime Minister Frederick Kologeto. He expressed hope that the activities of the Family Federation would make a significant contribution to the Solomon Islands.

At the New Hope Academy, a truly unique scene unfolded as the delegation was enthusiastically welcomed at the school gates. Six hundred faculty and students gathered in the courtyard, greeting the team with loud applause and cheers, and the students performed a traditional dance. During the welcoming ceremony, students passionately sang the Cheon II Guk anthem and shouted the school slogan "Crown of Glory." The delegation then cut a ceremonial cake in front of a new classroom building, built thanks to True Mother's support, and prayed that it would grow into a cradle of education aligned with Heaven's Will.

That evening, a gathering was held with more than 170 members in attendance. The members' welcome grew even warmer when the Inheritors and their delegation appeared in traditional Solomon Islands attire they had received from the local church. After a grace-filled praise offering by the One Heart Choir, Continental Director Hori delivered welcoming remarks and Human Resources Development Institute Director Park Su-hong introduced the Inheritors.

Missionary Moon Shin-chul emphasized, "As we exchange





① The participants at the opening ceremony of the exhibition on True Parents' lives (13 Sep) ② Welcomed by the faith leaders of the Mandaean Temple (14 Sep)



- ① The touring party is welcomed at the airport in the Solomon Islands (15 Sep) ② Courtesy visit to the Deputy Prime Minister of the Solomon Islands (16 Sep)
- 3 A performance full of grace by the One Heart Choir (16 Sep) A ceremony in front of the new Sun Hak building at New Hope Academy (16 Sep)
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love and build unity as true brothers and sisters, we are building the nation of Cheon II Guk." Missionary Moon Shin-heung shared his hope that as a young and pure nation, the Solomon Islands would offer hope and vitality to the world. Missionary Moon Yu-me further encouraged everyone to become members who can draw closer to Heavenly Parent and True Parents.

Daiki Okimura, a second-generation Top Gun missionary from Heavenly Japan, shared in his reflection that the Inheritors, who had received the providential baton from True Parents, were carrying a great burden and responsibility. He pledged to honor them by living a life of absolute faith. Missionary Hiroki Kitagawa expressed how much love he had felt from True Mother's message to the members around the world, telling us not to worry, and pledged to walk this path

Heavy rain was falling as the final day (September 17) of

the Heavenly Asia-Pacific Oceania tour began. The touring party visited the witnessing center where 16 people, including Japanese Top Gun missionaries and local youth leaders, live and work together, despite limited space. The touring group shared their journeys of faith and mission experiences, and reaffirmed their commitment to move forward together.

The Heavenly Asia-Pacific Oceania tour, which began in New Zealand on September 10, concluded in the Solomon Islands on September 18. At each stop along the way, the Inheritors expressed love and gratitude to the local members and spent time sharing with them about faith and missionary work. Leading figures in each country paid tribute to True Parents' achievements toward building a world of peace and to the ongoing activities of the Family Federation. The Inheritors and their team, who had felt the great love of Heavenly Parent and True Parents during the tour, pledged to fulfill their mission as true sons and daughters. To



## **Speech by Missionary Moon Shin-chul**

bout a week before we left Korea, True Mother called the touring team. She told us not to worry about the situation, that everything would be okay. She said we should share this reassurance with the members as well: that it's all going to be okay, and there is no need to worry. She also emphasized that we must express our gratitude to the members and especially to the missionaries who remain in their missions, protecting their mission field, because they are the pillars upholding things where we are now.

At the end of her message, Mother said something I did not expect. She told us that we should also go out and talk about protecting the environment. This felt sudden to me. In a time when there are so many other urgent issues, she still said that we should tell the members that we need to protect the Earth and protect the environment. This really made me reflect deeply. On the nine-hour plane ride here, I could hardly sleep. I normally look kind of tired, but today I probably look even more tired because I slept only two hours – as I kept reflecting upon that last part.

"Why, at this time, is True Mother emphasizing the environment?" Of course, we all know it is important. But when I thought back on what True Mother has spoken about since Father's Seonghwa, I realized something. She has spoken often about the Only Begotten Daughter, about the position that represents the motherly side of Heavenly Parent. But she also speaks a lot about the present time, and about the physical world. "We must witness. We must protect the environment."

I could have just taken these words as they were, thinking, "Yes, this is our mission." But I wanted to think more deeply about why she said this. I came to the conclusion that it is because she loves us, her children. Even though True Mother's remaining time on Earth is shorter than the years she has already lived, she is thinking about her children and what will happen after she passes into the spirit world.

Until now, I have never really thought much about heaven. In our faith, heaven is not the final goal. We talk about building heaven on Earth. I simply believed that if

I lived a good life, I would go to heaven after I die and be happy. But now I see it differently. Heaven is not simply a place. It is not about entering through some heaven's gates. Rather, heaven is something within our hearts, something we build here in the physical world.

This led me to think about what we truly value on this earth. Society tells us a \$3,000 Chanel bag is valuable. But would owning that bag make me happy? Maybe for a moment. But what would make me really happy? And I come to realize that the most important things come from the emotions we feel through our connections with people who are important to us. Any parent knows that a drawing or a letter from a young child, something as simple as a picture of clasped hands or "I love you," brings them much more joy than a \$3,000 Chanel bag. That is why "One Family Under God" is the key to heaven.

Happiness is found in love, in even the smallest actions of those we care about. If we can extend that heart to all our brothers and sisters, to everyone in this world—then no matter where we are, what we wear, or what we eat, we can feel joy. Heaven begins in our hearts. It begins with gratitude for what we already have. This made me reflect: Am I really living like this? Am I treating people around me with this kind of love and understanding? And does our movement reflect this? Sometimes, yes. But are we really striving for it? When we speak of heaven on earth, do we have a clear image of what that means and how to build it?

I believe it starts with small changes in our hearts. If I can feel grateful to the cleaning lady, not just because it is her paid job, but simply grateful that she cleans, then I change. True Mother knows how difficult it is to transform society, especially in a capitalistic world where everything has a price. But this is why she is urgent. This is why she says we must witness, why we must protect the Earth, why we must build the foundation now, while she is still here. She wants to help us reach that goal while she can.

History shows us how Christians have fought over even the smallest things. True Mother knows this, and this is why she clings to life with such determination. It is not because living longer is easy or joyful for her. Her health is not as it once was. If I were in her position, would I want to live sixteen more years on a strict diet and schedule? Probably not. But she endures because of us. True Mother chooses to live another day not for herself, but for us, because she loves us and wants to be with us as we walk this path. That is the heart I hope can be conveyed to all members of Oceania, even those far away who may not see her closely.

This is really my message: to reflect on why True Mother continues to live for us, to reflect on why we chose this path in the Unification Movement, and to strive to grow together, so that while True Mother is here we can build the foundation not only for her, but for ourselves and for the generations to come.

Even though it might not have been perfectly organized, I hope I conveyed at least a small part of what I feel is True Mother's heart for us.

Thank you very much. 🍎

This message was delivered to the members at the New Zealand Headquarters Church in Auckland by Inheritor of Heaven's Love and Blessing Moon Shin-chul during the recent Heavenly Asia-Pacific Tour.



Welcoming the Inheritors of Heaven's Love and Blessing to New Zealand (10 Sep)



## **Speech by Missionary Moon Shin-heung**

ood morning, beloved brothers and sisters. It's been a year since I started my mission, and part of that time was spent in Los Angeles. That journey has been wild, full of hope, but also full of loneliness.

Every day I would go out on the streets, dressed nicely as a missionary, wanting to share the word of God. But it always felt a bit strange, because while I dressed up to represent God, the people around me would be half-naked. I felt out of place.

When I approached people, they often rejected me once they realized I was a believer in God. That was difficult. But through those experiences, I also learned not to judge people by their outward appearance. At first I felt I was going out alone. Yes, I had a brother witnessing with me, but I still felt lonely.

Over time, though, as I grew used to the environment and tried with all my heart to really understand the people I was meeting, I realized something. No matter their race or how they looked, many of them were lonely too, searching for a family. Through that, I understood that God was

telling me something: everyone needs a home to go to.

When I speak of "home," I don't just mean a comfortable bed where I can scroll on my phone. I mean a place where I feel the warmth of another person who sees me for who I truly am and loves me, maybe for no reason at all.

On that journey, I asked myself: where can I find such a home? I realized that, in some ways, the church should be that home, because we are all God's children, and the message we share is love. But in reality, it often doesn't feel that way. During church services, people are quiet. I don't see many smiles or hear "I love you." Even as part of the worship team, I often felt something was missing.

Then I remembered Jesus' words in the Bible. In Matthew and Mark, it says that when children tried to approach him, the disciples stopped them. But Jesus said: "Let them come, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

I also thought of True Mother's words about Pure Water. She often speaks of the next generation, of youth, not because she excludes the first generation, but because she is urging all of us to become like children. That is how

we begin to build the kingdom of heaven.

Let me share why I believe this so deeply. When I come home after a long and sometimes draining tour, meeting many serious faces and hearing many worries, I open the door, and the first thing I see is my daughter running toward me. At first I thought she was coming for me, but really, she just wanted to see what was in my suitcase!

But to me, it wasn't sad. It brought me joy just to see her running, smiling, and tapping on my suitcase, with my younger son following behind. That moment, to me, is heaven.

I believe children are more than angels, they show us what heaven really is. Their emotions are pure and unfiltered. One moment my daughter is crying in her mother's arms, and the next moment she is laughing. It amazes me how quickly her heart moves. Even something as simple as convincing her to go to the toilet becomes a lesson. She resists, I try different approaches, sometimes strict, sometimes playful, and eventually she laughs and runs off. It's tiring as a parent, but also joyful. That, too, is heaven.

Out in the world, I face worries and pressures. But at home, when I look at my children, I feel heaven in their genuine hearts and purity.

I think this is also what True Mother wishes for us: that all people, all religions, can unite and embrace the heart of a mother, becoming like children. Sometimes serious, sometimes joyful, sometimes crying, sometimes laughing, but always pure.

When I came to Australia, I was curious how this "house" would feel. On stage, I saw the youth jumping and dancing, while others stayed quiet and shy. That's okay. But I want us to remember: if we truly wish to grow and change the world, we must be like children. Everyone loves children.

Imagine a room filled with Daniels, all laughing. Or a room full of Reverend Stones, bringing his own kind of energy. We need that diversity. We need to accept

whatever emotion is present and be open to it. Because in the end, our worship is not for ourselves, it is for Heavenly Parent and True Parents.

Even if we cannot see True Parents physically, we can remember. Elders, remember the times when you danced and sang with Father. Younger ones, remember the Pure Water Assembly where we all sang and danced together. Why should that spirit only belong to those moments? We can fully experience and live that life even now.

True Mother's real message is that we should receive the Spirit, and embrace the time when we were like children, in the embrace of our parents, crying, laughing, and being filled with joy.

In America, God gave me many experiences. One message I even wrote into a song: "You will not walk alone in the dark, for the love of God will walk with you wherever you are. So hold your head high and praise Heavenly Parent, for you are not alone."

So, my brothers and sisters, I ask you: do not walk just for True Family. Walk for your family. Walk this path together, remembering that we are one family, and that I wish to walk with you too, for the sake of your children, and for the bigger family we are building.

Even if services are filled with children running around, I would be happy, because that joy, that purity, is heaven.

Let us grow together. Let us stay pure. And when the day comes to stand before Heavenly Parent and True Parents, let us be able to say: we enjoyed our life together. We smiled together. We cried together. And in the end, we believed in Heavenly Parent together, and we have come before You.

Aju. Thank you. 🍎

This message was delivered to the members at the Peace Embassy in Sydney, Australia, by Inheritor of Heaven's Love and Blessing Moon Shin-heung during the recent Heavenly Asia-Pacific Tour.



With the Australian members after the special Sunday Worship at the Peace Embassy (14 Sep)



# Cheon II Guk Leaders' Special Devotions for the Beginning of a New Era and New History

special 13-day period of devotions for Cheon II Guk Leaders was held at the HJ Heaven and Earth Cheonbo Training Center from September 10 to 19, 2025 (7.19–28 in the 13<sup>th</sup> year of Cheon II Guk).

More than 900 Cheon II Guk leaders from around the world gathered to offer sincere devotions centered on harmony and peace, marking the beginning of a new era and new history.

On August 15, True Mother proclaimed the dawn of a new era and new history, opening a new providential horizon centered on the Entrance Ceremony of the Cheonil Sanctum at Cheon Won Gung. She continued, "What is needed in this age is those who can bring harmony and peace," and called upon the entire Unification Family to achieve unity and harmony. This period of special devotions was a time to reflect deeply on Mother's words and renew our resolve to move forward strongly into the new era.

On the opening day, participants headed to the Main Hall of the training center after registration and dinner. As the devout praise songs offered by the spiritual growth trainees filled the hall, the leaders united in their determination for the new era.

World Mission Headquarters Secretary-General Seo In-guk conveyed the significance of this period of devotions, reminding participants that it constituted the first steps toward the new era. FFWPU Heavenly Korea President Song Yong-cheon offered a heartfelt prayer calling for an end to the age of division and conflict and for the beginning of a new era centered on harmony and peace. He prayed that leaders would be fully armed with Heaven's great authority and true love, reborn as responsible stewards of Cheon Il Guk's future.

On that day, World Mission Headquarters Director-General Doo Seung-yeon emphasized that welcoming True Parents into our families and churches, and living in harmony and peace with our brothers and sisters, marks the beginning of the new era. He added that living in harmony is the very foundation of Cheon II Guk which will endure for a long time.

#### Special Devotions Sunday Worship

n September 14, a Sunday Service was held as part of the Special Devotions for the Beginning of a New Era and New History. The service began with powerful











- ① World Mission Headquarters Secretary-General Seo In-guk serving as the MC ② FFWPU-Korea President Song Yong-cheon offers a prayer of thanksgiving
- 3 World Mission Headquarters Director-General Doo Seung-yeon delivers his speech 4 A hyojeong testimony from North Seoul District Leader Ok Yun-ho
- (5) The leaders listen to a lecture on focused prayer

songs of praise from FFWPU-Heavenly Korea's youth pastors. FFWPU-Heavenly Korea President Song Yong-cheon prayed for sincere repentance, complete unity with True Mother, and a new beginning through absolute faith.

After another song of praise by the youth pastors, Director-General Doo urged deep reflection and bold renewal for a fresh start. He emphasized the importance of returning to the essence of our faith, and working in our families, communities and society to actively realize the vision of Cheon Il Guk as a kingdom of lasting peace on earth.

#### A Journey of Devotions - Lectures, Testimonies and **Relay Prayers**

uring the period of devotions, participants revisited True Parents' life and vision through lectures on True Parent's Life Course and Chambumo Ron, and held continental group meetings to share and discuss providential updates.

In his Chambumo Ron lecture, Professor Ju Jae-wan of Sun Moon University emphasized that this is the time to complete Cheon Il Guk centered on Holy Mother Han. He called on leaders to unite with True Parents through lives

of filial piety and patriotism.

During focused prayer sessions, leaders joined together to sing "Fight Song of the Will" and offered relay representative prayers.

In his lecture on prayer, Hwang Young-won from the HJ Heaven and Earth Cheonbo Training Center shared that harmony and peace are not merely a path toward internal tranquility but also a way to reveal True Parents' life and true love to the world. He stressed that our leaders must inherit the heart of Heaven and live in oneness with True Parents.

During the hyojeong testimony sessions, participants shared personal experiences and resolutions. North Seoul District Leader Ok Yun-ho emphasized that the driving force for transformation is the burning desire for true love, and expressed hope that this period of devotions would lead to deeper roots of faith centered on Heavenly Parent.

#### Finishing the Period of Special Devotions

hrough this time of special devotions, leaders reflected on their lives and reaffirmed their roles and missions for the new era, deeply rooting their lives and faith in Heavenly Parent. 7

# Opening Address, Rev. Doo Seung-yeon, Director-General, World Mission Headquarters

y warmest greetings to our respected and beloved Cheon Il Guk leaders!
I sincerely welcome all of you to the "Cheon Il Guk Leaders' Special Devotions for the Beginning of a New Era and New History," hosted directly by the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind, especially Holy Mother Han. I also express my deepest gratitude to True Parents for allowing us to offer this period of special devotions.

I came back to Korea in August, and now, after attending Mother closely for a month, I have been struck once again by the realization of how her sense of time surpasses our understanding. Mother lives each day giving it the value of a thousand years, True Mother often goes without sleep, then waits for leaders to arrive for the early morning meeting, and shares with them profound insights into Heaven's providence on which she has reflected deeply during the night.

Recently, in preparation for the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Heavenly Parent's Day, True Mother has been immersing herself in Heaven's providence at a faster pace, and with greater depth and seriousness than ever before. Even under physical strain, she lives each moment with unmatched sincerity and devotion. As her child, I live with a heart torn by my own shortcomings and feelings of remorse. Nevertheless, True Mother continues to encourage us, expressing concern for the future of Korea and contemplating Heaven's providence together with members around the world. Through this, we are reminded once again that True Mother is truly Heaven's daughter, the Only Begotten Daughter.

#### **Purpose of These Special Devotions**

Beloved leaders, The single purpose of this "Cheon Il Guk Leaders' Special Devotions to Begin a New Era and New History" is profoundly simple yet noble: to bring comfort to Holy Mother Han, True Mother, and keep her safe.

True Mother said the following: "I am the final central figure in Heaven's providence. Until now, world religions



have been male-centered and have failed to fulfill the fundamental principles of creation. But with the coming of the Only Begotten Daughter after 6,000 years, the principles of creation of the Creator-Heavenly Parent-have been actualized. Therefore, I have declared to all religious leaders around the world that they have reached their final destination, and now it is time to disembark and become one with Holy Mother Han."

Yes, that is right. True Mother is the final "key" who brings closure to the 6,000-year history of Heaven's providence and opens a new era. That is why our purpose here is crystal clear. For these 13 days, we gather with one singular intention: to offer prayer and devotion for True Mother's comfort and well-being.

In True Mother's autobiography, there is a passage that reads:

Your heart is your eternal guardian. Heartfelt prayer is the only passageway to God. Through such true prayer, you will receive the grace of God and True Parents in even the most destitute and difficult place. The helping hand of that grace leads us on the free and happy path to the kingdom of heaven.[p 268]

She also wrote in her biography, "I devoted myself to prayer, study and worship," [p. 60] and that once before True Father went to the stage to speak,, he told her, "Thanks to your sincere devotion and prayer, I am going on stage today." [p. 124]

True Mother is the one who devoted her entire life

offering prayer and devotions for True Father and for the fulfillment of Heaven's providence. That is why we earnestly ask that this 13-day period of special devotions be wholly dedicated to praying and offering devotions for True Mother's safety and comfort.

This is not a training workshop. As the name itself suggests, it is "special devotions." Every part of the prepared program is a journey centered on True Mother's safety and well-being, with prayer and devotions at its core. I urge you, over the next 13 days, to keep your hearts and attention focused solely on True Mother, without forgetting this purpose for even a moment.

#### The Parable of the Ten Virgins Respected leaders of Cheon II Guk,

round this time last year, True Mother concluded the Resolution Week marking the 12th anniversary of True Father's Seonghwa and urgently called leaders together to begin preparations for the Cheon Won Gung Cheonil Sanctum Entrance Ceremony.

Sensing that Heaven's providence was more urgent than ever, True Mother began detailed planning for the Entrance Ceremony, which was just eight months away. She instructed the composition of magnificent music to resound throughout the Cheonil Sanctum and prepared to produce the Epic History of the Chosen Han People of Korea, to be expressed through that music.

At the time, many leaders could not fully grasp the depth of True Mother's intention. But as time passed, the meaning of her words became clearer. True Mother had been envisioning and planning the Entrance Ceremony to welcome Heavenly Parent for a long time, and she had been pursuing it devotedly with all her heart and soul.

In truth, the way True Mother perceives "time" differs greatly from our own understanding of it. The concept of "providential time" is profoundly important. Even in the Bible, this idea of providential time is referenced.In Matthew 25:1, Jesus shares the parable of the ten virgins to emphasize the importance of preparing for the kingdom of heaven and maintaining a vigilant faith.

Among the ten virgins who came out with lamps to meet the bridegroom, five were wise and had prepared enough oil, while the other five had not. As the bridegroom's arrival was delayed, the lamps of the unprepared virgins went out, and they left to buy more oil. When the bridegroom finally arrived, only the five who were ready entered the wedding feast with him.

Through this parable, Jesus said, "Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour." (Matthew 25:13)

In other words, living with constant awareness of "providential time" and a prepared heart is essential to a life of faith. At the same time, this teaches us that to align with the providential time, we must be wise and fully prepared. So then, how indeed can we recognize this "providential time"?

#### **Providential Time**

eloved leaders of Cheon II Guk, let us take a moment to center our hearts and imagine together. Picture a wall clock placed before you. It has three hands: the second hand, the minute hand, and the hour hand.

Can we tell the time by looking only at the second hand? No matter how closely we watch the ticking seconds, we cannot know the exact time. What about the minute hand? Even with careful observation, it still doesn't give us the full picture. To know the precise time, we must look at the hour hand. Only when all threesecond, minute, and hour hands—move together can the time be fully revealed.

This is much like how we perceive providential time. Psalm 31:15 declares, "My times are in Your hands," reminding us that all our life and time ultimately belong to our Heavenly Parent.

Psalm 90:4 further testifies, "A thousand years in Your sight are like a day that has just gone by, or like a watch in the night," showing us that Heaven's time and human time are fundamentally different.

Two thousand years ago, who was it that understood providential time? It was Jesus. Jesus, entrusted with Heaven's mission, guided the time of heaven and earth. He told his disciples, "No one knows the day or the hour." In that era, the second and minute hands were the prophets and John the Baptist, but the hour hand was Jesus himself. Through Jesus, people could discern the providential time of that age and history.

Yet even the disciples could not clearly see the hour hand that Jesus pointed to, and so they failed to recognize the providential time.

After 2,000 years, the Returning Messiah, True Father, who inherited the mission of Jesus, came to this earth. True Father understood "providential time" and appeared as the one responsible for this era and this history. When we look at the course of providence that the True Father walked throughout his life, we clearly see that he always thought, acted, and proclaimed in alignment with the providential timeframe.

One well-known story illustrates this: While aboard a plane departing from the United States, True Father declared that upon his arrival in Korea, he would immediately hold a rally with 50,000 participants. This was something that could never be explained by human calculation or wisdom—it was a clear testament to the

workings of providential time.

If we were to compare Heaven's providence to the hands of a clock: The prophets of the Old Testament are the second hand. Jesus is the minute hand. And True Father, who walked the path of the Returning Messiah, is the hour hand. Only by looking at the hour hand can we fully understand the providential time. In this era and this history, the one who revealed Heaven's time was none other than the True Father.

So now, in the 13<sup>th</sup> year of Cheon Il Guk, who is the one presiding over providential time? It is True Mother. As we enter the age of the opening, firm settlement, and completion of Cheon Il Guk, True Mother, as the Only Begotten Daughter of Heaven, is guiding the providence under the name of Holy Mother Han.

To truly understand the mysterious and profound timeframe of Heaven-the providential moment-we must view time centered on the True Mother. It is clear who is revealing the new era, the new history, and the providential time: it is Holy Mother Han, True Mother.

Many believers today try to grasp providential time by focusing only on the second hand of the clock. But they cannot fully understand it. The second and minute hands alone can never reveal the complete providential time. Only True Mother presides over the providential time of this era. And we must deeply realize why it is that True Mother has proclaimed the "beginning of a new era and new history."

So then, what is it that we must do? We must correctly understand the flow of the providence centered on True Mother, and clearly recognize the vision and goals we are meant to pursue. This holds even deeper meaning for you, the leaders of Cheon II Guk who directly attend True Mother. Just as we can understand True Mother's role and providence through a wall clock, we must engrave Heaven's providence-centered on True Mother-into our hearts and live accordingly. Just as the three hands of a clock move in harmony to reveal the correct time, Heavenly Parent's providential time is fulfilled through True Mother.

True Mother teaches us the essence and principles of the providence, and reveals the essence of our Heavenly Parent, the Creator, as well as the status of True Parents. Please never forget the precious significance of this. Only when we pray sincerely and focus our hearts can we stand as the true living subjects of this age.

Brothers and sisters, to True Mother, who has granted us this new beginning in this new era and new history, we must resolve to become leaders of Cheon Il Guk who make God our priority and become true sons and daughters of Cheon Il Guk. I ask you to please give one more round of applause in gratitude and resolve to Holy Mother Han, who has proclaimed the beginning of this new era and new history.

#### **Our Attitude**

Beloved leaders, the time of the providence is already upon us. To fully inherit this golden age of the providence, our attitude toward Heaven is crucial. That attitude is "harmony and peace," as True Mother has made us aware.

At my installation service as Director-General, I pledged to faithfully fulfill my role as a bridge, consistently and purely conveying True Mother's will to blessed families and all of our brothers and sisters. Furthermore, I pledged to restore mutual trust and love, to experience the values of true love and true family first within our community, and to work together to create a vision that can be demonstrated in society.

Noting True Mother's words, "What is needed in this age are those who cultivate harmony and peace," within Heavenly Parent's Holy Community we will firmly establish a culture of harmony and peace as the values for our time. And I want to walk that path hand in hand with all of you gathered here.

In that sense, this "Cheon Il Guk Leaders' Special Devotions for the Beginning of a New Era and New History" is a truly special occasion, commemorating the 13th anniversary of True Father's Seonghwa in the 13th year of Cheon Il Guk.

True Parents also said, "In order to be "firmly settled" rather than just "established," one must match the number 13." (August 10, 2005) They said that the number 13 should be established by making the harmonious number 12 the center of the universe. During this period, we must become absolutely one with True Mother and, as true sons and daughters of Cheon II Guk, achieve true harmony and peace within our community. Only then will we see the completion of the number 13 and the foundation for a new era and the beginning of a new history.

This 13-day special devotional time is not a training session. Please thoroughly discern and cast away any evil energy and spend this consecrated time solely in devotion and prayer. I urge each of you to exercise autonomy and take initiative to spend your time thinking and speaking only of True Mother's well-being, and showing this in your daily actions.

This time of devotion should center on your longing for True Mother, and, grounded in this longing for our Parents, it should also become a time for us as brothers, sisters, and leaders to long for and care for one another, and become one.

During these 13 days of special devotions, I pray that you will become one with True Mother, Holy Mother Han, who is the protagonist of a new era and new history. Please become the embodiment of harmony and peace, and become true sons and daughters and public servants of Cheon II Guk who fulfill their responsibilities as chosen people. \*\*\mathcal{P}\*

## **Hyojeong Testimonies**

Kajikuri Masayoshi/ Vice Continental Director of Heavenly North America

n July, during my visit to Washington, I visited the Upshur House, which once served as True Parents' residence. On the wall hung a photo of the 13 Couples Blessing Ceremony in 1969-the first ever held in the United States-allowing me to see and confirm True Parents' footsteps in America. These 13 couples, along with 22 couples from Japan and 8 from Europe, were part of the international 43 Couples Blessing. This was the first Blessing Ceremony outside of Korea, and connected and expanded the foundation of the Blessing from Korea to the world. These families can be considered the first fruits of True Parents' global mission. My own parents were among the 43 couples blessed in 1969. The following year, in 1970, the first group of second-generation blessed children began to be born outside Korea-in Japan, Europe, and the United States.

When we were around second grade in elementary school, True Parents told us, "After you finish elementary school, I hope you will come to Korea and attend Sunhwa Middle School." This wish was fulfilled in 1983, when we came to Korea as part of the first class of overseas students. Upon hearing of our arrival at Gimpo Airport, True Parents immediately called us to their residence at Shinmun-ro. As we stood in front of True Parents as a group of young 13-year-olds who had just graduated from elementary school, they spoke to us in Japanese, encouraging us to study Korea's language, history, and traditions diligently. They particularly emphasized that one day we should be able to lecture on the Divine Principle in Korean, so that we could testify about True Parents to leaders in Korean society. At the time, we were far too young to imagine such a future. Yet now, through my public service with UPF and the Victory Over Communism movement, I have had numerous opportunities to lecture in Korean to influential figures in Korean society-allowing me to witness firsthand the fulfillment of True Parents' words.

At a young age, just after graduating from elementary school, we left our parents and came to Korea, where we spent 11 years studying until we graduated from university. Korea became not only the homeland of our faith but also the home of our hearts. During our time as international students, I cannot count the number of times True Parents took care of us and offered words of guidance. Among all the guidance we received, the most memorable and deeply engraved in my heart were the words True Parents shared on the day of our high school graduation, when they invited us to Hannam-dong, where they were living at that time. True Parents reflected on how, after living in Korea for seven years, we might have found ourselves comparing

Korean and Japanese blessed families, which could have left our hearts conflicted. They explained that, although Japan was chosen and established as the Eve nation before Heaven, it is a nation where Satan's lingering influence is strong. Even when Heaven seeks to bless Japan, Satan seizes every opportunity to accuse. This made it essential for the early Japanese leadersour parents-to establish a standard of unity with True Parents higher than that of leaders in any other country. Therefore, True Parents guided them very strictly, and they had to endure many hardships. Through this, we came to understand that the strict training and the sacrificial path of the Japanese blessed families were meant to bring them closer to True Parents' heart and circumstances. With this understanding, we felt profound gratitude and pride in the bonds True Parents had forged with the Japanese blessed families.

In March 2012, following the devastation of the Great East Japan Earthquake, we had the honor of welcoming True Mother to Japan for the first time since the disaster. At that time, my father was serving as president of the Japanese church, and I was privileged to accompany True Mother on her tour as one of the core leaders. After completing the tour and returning to True Father's side, True Mother shared her reflections during the following morning's hoondokhae, after the victory report from the Japanese FFWPU president. She spoke briefly about her visit to Japan, acknowledging the history of missionary work there and the dedication of senior blessed families, including my father. She also expressed how pleased she was to see my spouse and me also taking the path of public mission, following in our parents' footsteps.

In 2017, following the victorious Madison Square Garden rally, True Mother convened a continental leaders' meeting and announced a new lineup of Cheon II Guk global leadership. At that time, she appointed me as President of UPF Japan. The following morning, True Mother graciously invited me to her breakfast table, offering words of encouragement and guidance. From that point on, whenever I reported victories from the Japanese mission field, she responded with joy, noting that through our efforts, the hearts of people-especially leaders-were beginning to change. She expressed her hope that the "Pure Waters," whom Heaven has found after 6,000 years, would take the lead in conveying Heaven's heart to the world.

As a blessed family, we bear a name that represents True Parents themselves. This name carries tremendous significance: if we fail to become one with True Parents, the world may misunderstand them through our actions; but if we are truly united with them, we can faithfully testify to True Parents before the world. I will keep this deeply in my heart as I wholeheartedly commit to fulfilling the mission entrusted to me. Thank you. To

### **Letters to True Mother**



## Akiyama Akiko / Head of the South Aichi District (District #3) Women's Federation, Japan

ost revered and precious True Mother, it has been 43 years since I received the Blessing from True Parents. Yet I am filled with deep shame and sorrow, knowing that I have lived all this time without offering you any news that might bring joy to your heart. I cannot even lift my face before you. I humbly confess my ignorance and foolishness—having lived without truly grasping the magnitude of the sacrifices and suffering you have endured in places beyond our awareness. Especially when I reflect on the 13 years since Foundation Day, following True Father's Seonghwa, and consider the lonely and arduous path you have walked alone, my heart aches beyond words.

In True Mother's memoir, Mother of Peace, we can read the following testimony from Hyo-jin nim:

I admire my mother's love and perseverance in embracing my father and making him happy. All mothers in the world are great, but my mother especially absolutely trusts and encourages us. I'm always deeply moved by how she does that. [p. 114]

When True Mother gave birth to Young Jin Nim, she endured the pain with unwavering determination—resolved to overcome the forces of death and darkness that had gathered around Jesus' cross, and to liberate Jesus through the triumph of new life. For the sake of Heavenly Parent, she brought each child into the world without fear of death.

True Mother's entire life has been one of complete unity with True Father, walking with an unwavering spirit for the liberation of Heavenly Parent, the liberation of humanity, and the establishment of an ideal world of peace. Even now, she stands at the height of trials, yet I am confident that the truth will surely be revealed.

True Mother continues to guide us, saying, "Do not worry about me—focus on fulfilling your own responsibilities." Before those words, I feel nothing but deep remorse. I sincerely repent for my past shortcomings and resolve to be reborn anew. As a couple, we will become one, establish a true family, and fulfill our mission as Heavenly Tribal Messiahs. We will become a mature son and daughter who deeply understand True Mother's heart and circumstances.

## Roberto Pascoalato de Azevedo / District 1, Region 1, Brazil

eloved True Mother, the Only Begotten Daughter of Heavenly Parent,

With hearts overflowing with love and gratitude, my wife and I, as public leaders in Brazil, are writing to offer you our deepest respect and appreciation.

True Mother is the living embodiment of Heavenly Parent's love on earth, the Only Begotten Daughter who is guiding all humankind toward the ideals of peace, harmony, and unity. Through your leadership and sacrifice, we have learned the true meaning of unconditional love and selfless service.

This September, the leaders of Brazil's District 1 traveled to







① The participants offer one-heart calling-out prayer together ② A praise song by the Cheonshim Choir ③ Cheonbo Chanyang Yeoksa ④ Korean, Japanese and international ministerial and administrative staff at the special jeongseong

Korea in response to your call. We are currently in the middle of our second 40-day condition, building on the foundation of the first 40-day condition. With absolute faith, we are determined to offer you a genuine change in our hearts.

Beloved True Mother, every night in São Paulo we offer our sincere jeongseong. With intensity and devotion, we are certain that, with a mother's heart, you will feel our love and urgency for your recovery and health.

We are more united as blessed families, generating positive energy to send strength and support to our beloved True Mother.

Mother, do not worry. The members from Heavenly Central and South America are determined to offer victories through our witnessing activities. We will remain firm and strong through this second 40-day period of devotions.

#### Song II Bienvenu Saboué / National Leader, Burkina Faso

eloved Holy Mother Han, In this providential time when Heaven is accomplishing its work on earth through you, I want to express, with humility and sincerity, all my gratitude and my unwavering support.

I give thanks to Heavenly Parent, who has given us

the inestimable grace that you are here among us as the Only Begotten Daughter, the Mother of humanity, and the guide for our time. Through your love, your sacrifices and your teachings, you have opened for us a path of life and salvation, and I can only offer my prayers of gratitude for the grace I have received.

I wish, through this letter, to express to you my total and absolute commitment. I pledge to work faithfully and with perseverance to make Heavenly Parent known and to proclaim your sacred mission in all spheres to which I am called. Even at the risk of my life, I will walk this path of faith, certain that unity with you is the key to the victory of the providence.

Furthermore, I make a concrete commitment to implement actions to establish peace, harmony and unity among the members in Burkina Faso.

Beloved True Mother, receive the assurance of my filial love, my loyalty and my sincere commitment. May my life be a useful offering for the realization of the kingdom of God on earth.

True Mother, I love you.

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## Four New Spiritual Children in Peru, A Testimony that Heavenly Parent is with us

ince August 1, 2025 (8.1 [leap month] by the heavenly calendar in Cheon II Guk year 13) the Heavenly Central and South America Heavenly Top Gun missionary team has been carrying out a 120-day witnessing campaign together with local Brazilian Hyojeong-Rang, Hyojeong Academy Trainees and Pure Waters. Beginning in late June, the missionary team

had previously carried out a 40-day fundraising course, working to restore all things and establish a foundation of faith, after which they formed joint teams with the local members. The teams were dispatched to five different nations, Mexico, Brazil, Uruguay, Paraguay, and Peru. Throughout their mission work, the teams have engaged in daily street witnessing, and over the first 43 days,

they have successfully witnessed to ten dedicated new members. Under the direction of Heavenly Central and South America Continental Director Kim Dong-woo, the missionaries are offering their utmost devotion and prayers at Cheonshim Won, calling out the name of Holy Mother Han, as they commit themselves completely to bringing in many new members.  $\mathcal{T}$ 



#### Reflection from Heavenly Top Gun Missionary Shin Jin-young



ost beloved True Mother,
My name is Shin
Jin-young currently
serving in Peru as a member of
the 2<sup>nd</sup> class of Heavenly Top
Guns from Heavenly Korea. As I
engage in daily witnessing, I have
often been reminded of the heart
of True Parents and the pioneering

missionaries in the early days. Thinking about how they went out, ready to offer their lives to spread the Word, I have been able to step forward with greater conviction. At times, the reality of the world leaves me feeling overwhelmed, yet since the Cheon Won Gung Entrance Ceremony, I have been able to rise again with the belief that, in this era when True Mother is present on earth and Heavenly Parent is guiding us directly, the spiritual world will surely be working with us.

Through the witnessing course, I came to understand the depth of True Mother's heart, and how much prayer and devotion True Mother offers for even a single child, endlessly loving and waiting for them to return to the embrace of their parents. Though I still have many shortcomings, I was able to experience the heart of Heavenly Parent and True Parents, who continue to pour boundless love upon us. Each time I felt that love, I came to a deeper awareness of how grateful and blessed I am to be standing in such a precious position. Truly, I realized



that witnessing is the greatest gift bestowed on us by Heavenly Parent.

In Peru, I was able to find four spiritual children. Seeing them come to know True Parent's life course and resolve to receive the Blessing, I was deeply assured that Heavenly Parent is indeed working here. I also came to realize once again that witnessing is not something I do alone, but it is the work of Heavenly Parent. I deeply feel that all the devotions and prayers that are offered at Cheonshim Won will surely bear fruit.

True Mother, I am sincerely grateful for everything. As True Mother's daughter, I will not be shaken, no matter what trial rises up before me. I pledge to move forward with strength and courage, in spirit and in truth. I will testify to the Only Begotten Daughter True Mother and share the love of Heavenly Parent with many more children. I will fulfill my responsibility and invest my whole heart, on the path of harmony and unity for the beginning of a new era and new history that you have opened for us. True Mother, I truly love you. Thank you very much.  $\mathcal{P}$ 

## Service to Install Rev. Song Yong-cheon as Senior **Pastor of Cheon Won Gung Cheonseung Grand Church** The Laborious Journey to Bring Forth a Precious Child

n Korea, a service to install Rev. Song Yong-cheon as senior pastor of the Cheon Won Gung

Cheonseung Grand Church in Seoul was held on September 7 at the Cheonseung Grand Church. In

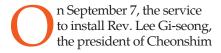


Rev. Song Yong-cheon, installed as senior pastor at Cheonseung Church

his message to the congregation, Rev. Song compared what we are experiencing in the present time is like "the laborious pain of giving birth to a precious child," highlighting that our community is embarking on a journey toward new hope and blessings. He also called on the congregation, as members of the headquarters church, to take the lead in witnessing by teaching people through Chambumo Ron and the Epic History of the Chosen Han People of Korea, and testifying about True Parents. 7

## Service to Install Rev. Lee Gi-seong as Senior Pastor of Cheon Won Gung Cheonwon Grand Church

### A Resolution for a New Beginning for the Restoration of Gapyeong



Won, as senior pastor of the Cheon Won Gung Cheonwon Grand Church was held as a joint service including



Rev. Lee Gi-seong, installed as senior pastor at Cheonwon Church

members from all of churches in the Cheonwon Special District. In his installation address, Rev. Lee noted that this marks the third time he has been called to serve as senior pastor. He declared his resolution for a new beginning, pledging to fulfill the restoration of Gapyeong no matter what the challenges, with the spirit of Chobudeuksamnever giving up despite repeated trials. Accompanied by songs of praise from the Cheonshim Choir, the members joined in a unison prayer of determination, pledging to accomplish the Will of Heavenly Parent starting from the land of Gapyeong. 7

# **Graduation Ceremony for 16-Week Online Program: Building and Operating Hyojeong Witnessing Teams**



Participants in the second term of the program on Hyojeong Witnessing Teams

n September 4, the Cheonbo Leaders School held the final session and graduation ceremony for its 16-week online program, Building and Operating Hyojeong Witnessing Teams, held during their second term of 2025. Rev. Song Yong-cheon, President of FFWPU

Heavenly Korea, emphasized that Hyojeong Witnessing Teams should serve as the anchor for home church and small group activities, playing a leading role in church revival and in opening a new era. The program also included a session for participating churches to share their vision. Each church reported on the outcomes of various activities, including outreach to inactive youth, strategies for restoring Christian families, and systems to help new members fully settle into the community. A total of 204 participants completed the full course, and through the graduation ceremony, the potential of Hyojeong Witnessing Teams was reaffirmed. 7

## **USA: 2025 Blessed Culture and Sports Festival in Missouri**

Strengthening Community Spirit through Culture and Sports



2025 Blessed Culture and Sports Festival was held at the Missouri YMCA
Camp from August 13 to 17, with over 300 members in attendance.
The event featured sports such as basketball, pickleball, "Physical: 100"-style challenges, and musical performances. This variety of cultural and athletic activities fostered a strong sense of common cause. Participants deepened their bonds, embraced both joy and challenge, and shared the values of a faithcentered community. \*\*Total Community\*\*.

Participants in the 2025 Blessed Culture and Sports Festival in Missouri

## **Las Vegas Family Church Pastor Transition Ceremony** A Commitment to Foster Church Growth and Transform

## Las Vegas into a City of Hope



Newly installed Senior Pastors Andrew and Lyda Compton and the new 2nd-generation pastors

pastoral transition ceremony for the Las Vegas Family Church took place at Han Hwa Gung on August 17. Dr. Andrew Compton and his wife, Lydia Compton, were inaugurated as the senior pastoral couple, along with the inauguration of a secondgeneration pastor couple. Concluding two years of pastoral service, Dr. Kim Ki-hoon expressed heartfelt gratitude to Heavenly Parent and True Parents and reaffirmed his ongoing commitment to actively support the Las Vegas Church. More than 300 Las Vegas members showed their deep appreciation for Dr. Kim's sincerity and dedication. The newly appointed pastoral leaders promised to build on the foundation established by True Parents and the elder members who had served before them, dedicating themselves to further develop the church and transforming Las Vegas into a city of hope. 7

## **New Jersey Family Church Marks the 13th Anniversary of True Father's Seonghwa**

#### A Time of Unity in Reflection on True Father's Life and Love

The New Jersey Family Church held a service commemorating the 13th anniversary of True Father's Seonghwa on September 7. The more than 360 members who attended reflected on True Father's life and pledged to carry forward his love for all humanity. 7





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#### **Canada: Peace Road in Montreal**

## A Festival Connecting the World as One Global Family of Humankind

Peace Road event was held at Peace Park in Montreal, Canada, on September 13, to commemorate the International Day of Peace. Local leaders and residents gathered to honor the vision of the International Peace Highway, a route intended

to connect the world as one global family. Participants cycled 15 kilometers as part of the Peace Road event, demonstrating inspiring collaboration and solidarity, and transforming the event into a vibrant celebration.





① Montreal Peace Road participants ② Participants marching to promote the vision of the International Peace Highway

#### **UPF Sri Lanka: 2025 Religious Youth Service (RYS) Project**

## Empowering Local Youth to Act on Sustainable Development Goals and Beyond



Participants in the Religious Youth Service project in Sri Lanka

The UPF chapter in Sri Lanka conducted a 2025 Religious Youth Service (RYS) project from August 7 to 13 in Bandarawela, Sri Lanka, under the theme "Local Youth Actions for the SDGs and Beyond." Held in conjunction with the UN's 2025 International Youth Day, the project enabled 30 households, comprising 150 residents of Alimi Village, to gain access to a safe and reliable supply of clean water. During the project, participating youth engaged in service activities, interfaith and cultural exchanges, and peace leadership training, fostering both a sense of community and leadership skills. 7

#### **Thailand: FFWPU Conducts 2025 Blessing Anniversary Festival**

A time for Hyojeong Reaffirming the Mission in the Cheon II Guk Era



The Blessing Anniversary Festival 2025 hosted by the FFWPU Thailand Family Department and Bangkok Church

2025 Blessing Anniversary Festival took place in Bangkok, Thailand, co-hosted by the FFWPU Thailand Blessed Family Department and Bangkok Church, with about 300 blessed families attending. The festival commemorated the anniversaries of couples who received the 30,000-Couple and 360,000-Couple Blessings, and was a time for the newly blessed couples of this year to celebrate together. The members who attended expressed deep gratitude to True Parents and shared their filial love, once again reflecting on the mission of blessed families in the Cheon Il Guk era. 7

# Cambodia: FFWPU Marks the 13<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of True Father's Seonghwa

A Time of Commitment to Revival through True Father's Life and Love

ambodia FFWPU hosted an event marking the 13th Anniversary of True Father's Seonghwa on September 9 in Phnom Penh. Participants spent a meaningful time reflecting on True Father's lifelong dedication to peace and watched a special video. Dr. Tang Kimsruy, National Leader of the Cambodia

Family Federation, emphasized that the ceremony was not only a moment of remembrance but also a time of spiritual revival. This significant gathering honored True Father's legacy while inspiring attendees to renew their commitment to live as devoted sons and daughters who bring joy to Heavenly Parent.  $\mathcal{P}$ 





① The 13th Anniversary of True Father's Seonghwa at the Cambodia Family Church ② A commemorative photo after True Father's Seonghwa Anniversary event

## **Heavenly Africa: Blessed Family Department Tour**

Fostering Hopeful Dialogue and Encouragement for a Victorious Blessing



With members during the Blessed Family Department tour of Burkina Faso and Mali

rom August 10 to 25, the Heavenly Africa Blessed Family Department conducted a tour of Burkina Faso and Mali to support these key African nations in preparing for the 2026 Blessing Ceremony. Led by the Continental Director of Heavenly Africa and carried out in collaboration with the national leaders of both countries. the tour included seminars for blessed families. The team also visited inactive families to encourage the revival of faith and engaged with young people, sharing messages of hope and inspiration. The Heavenly Africa Blessed Family Department remains committed to continuing its outreach throughout the continent to ensure the success of the upcoming Blessing. 🎏

## Côte d'Ivoire: Cheon II Guk Leaders' General Assembly Deliberating on the Vision, Mission, and Goals of Cheon II Guk

mid the ongoing 21-Day Global Devotions for a New Beginning, a Cheon II Guk Leaders' Assembly for Heavenly Africa was held in Côte d'Ivoire from August 29 to 30. Over the course of two days, participants shared the vision and mission of Cheon II Guk, set goals, and discussed concrete directions for future activities. A special Cheonshim Won Vigil Prayer Meeting was also held during the assembly. The prayer meeting featured heartfelt hyojeong testimonies from pastors, and congratulatory and encouraging messages from the leadership.  $\mathcal{P}$ 



①② Photos of the leaders attending the General Assembly in Côte d'Ivoire



## **Democratic Republic of the Congo: 2<sup>nd</sup> Cheon II Guk National Academy** Youth Ready to Respond to True Parents' Call



Participants in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Cheon II Guk National Academy held in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Cheon II Guk National Academy was held on September 14 in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Under the theme "Youth Ready to Respond to True Parents' Call," approximately 60 young participants gathered, igniting a passionate atmosphere. During the event, attendees pledged to participate in a yearlong missionary program, uniting in their commitment to fulfill their providential mission for Heavenly Parent. Rev. Rang-Wuan Lubaka, National Leader of the Family Federation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, expressed his hope that the academy would inspire the next generation with renewed providential motivation and help them stand firmly as citizens of Cheon II Guk. The program concluded with heartfelt performances by young missionaries, showing their filial devotion and commitment to True Parents, as they reaffirmed their resolve. To

## **Cuba: FFWPU Marks 35<sup>th</sup> Chil II Jeol with a Blessing Event** Celebrating the Birth of Blessed Families Attending Heavenly Parent



Blessing hosted by FFWPU- Cuba on the 35th Chil II Jeol

n August 23 in Sancti Spíritus, the Cuba Family Federation held a Blessing event commemorating the 35th Chil Il Jeol. The event, during which 12 couples received the Blessing, was officiated by a Cuban Cheonbo family. With over 100 guests in attendance, the ceremony was a resounding success. Despite the challenges faced by the Cuban church under the socialist system, members reaffirmed their determination to advance with strength and faith, attending Heavenly Parent with renewed resolve. 7

# Heavenly Central and South America Youth Assembly and HJ Peace Center Opening Ceremony

Harmony and Fellowship Forged through the Passion of Youth



Participants in the Heavenly Central and South America Youth Assembly

n August 23 (7.1 by the heavenly calendar), the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification (FFWPU) Central and South America held a Youth Assembly and Opening Ceremony for the HJ Peace Center at the Continental Headquarters. Youth participated both online and offline, fostering a spirit of harmony and fellowship. A stirring performance by Brazil's New Hope Garden Band and guest artists

was followed by a cultural showcase featuring eight teams from Brazil, Bolivia, Peru, and other nations. Rev. Kim Dong-woo, Continental Director of Heavenly Central and South America, shared his hope that the culture of Cheon Il Guk would spread globally, centered on the HJ Peace Center. Rev. Samuel Ota Linares, National Leader of FFWPU Brazil, encouraged the youth to be reborn as sons and daughters who can carry forward True Parents' providence. This event served as a powerful moment of unity through culture, and anticipation is growing for continued exchange and collaboration centered on the Peace Center. 7

# **Colombia: UPF Hosts 7<sup>th</sup> National Leadership Conference**Promoting Interfaith Cooperation and Strengthening Youth

## Education and Leadership



Graduating participants in Columbia UPF's 7th National Leadership Conference

Ihe Universal Peace Federation of Colombia held its 7th National Leadership Conference at the Bogotá National Congress to commemorate the UN International Youth Day. About 80 national-level figures from politics, religions, and education attended, and 21 new ambassadors for peace were appointed. The host, Senator Herman Blanco, emphasized the need for peaceful reunification of the Korean Peninsula and the important role of youth leadership. Senator Karia Espinoza highlighted the need to restore moral values, reminding both youth and leaders of their shared responsibilities. Participants pledged to work together on interfaith cooperation, youth education, and strengthening leadership capacity. To

## **UPF Peru Peace Ambassador Appointment Ceremony** Exploring the Path to World Peace through National Unity

n August 30, UPF Peru held a Peace Ambassador Appointment Ceremony in Huancayo for leaders from the central region. Co-hosted by Congressman Raúl Huamán and UPF Peru, the event welcomed over 200 participants, including local leaders,

experts, and artists. Congressman Huamán appointed 60 new Peace Ambassadors, declared, "We will advance peace through national unity." UPF Peru President Trevor Jones, who received a commendation, shared the significance of UPF's mission in promoting global peace. To





① The Peace Ambassador Appointment Ceremony in Peru ② The newly appointed Peace Ambassadors

## **Heavenly Central and South America: Preparing Second-Generation Members for the Blessing with Education for Parents and Candidates** Parents and Children United in Heartfelt Devotion for the Blessing



On-site and online second-generation participants in the Blessing Education Workshop in Heavenly Central and South America

rom August 17 to 30, the Heavenly Central and South America Blessed Family Department hosted a Blessing preparation education and gathering for second-generation members, conducted both on-site and online. As part of the program, an online education session for parents introduced the Parent Matching Manual and conveyed the tradition of parents-led matching, outlined the key steps in preparing for the Blessing. Secondgeneration participants engaged in reading True Parents' teachings on the Blessing and learned about the steps of preparation and the importance of maintaining their chastity. Through this experience, participants expressed their heartfelt determination to prepare for the Blessing with even deeper devotion. 🍎

# **Germany: UPF Munich Center Reopens After Renovations**A Fresh Start Following Extensive Upgrades



n August 10, the Universal Peace Federation (UPF) Munich Center celebrated its grand reopening following extensive renovations. Around 80 people, including members and residents, attended the ceremony, where congratulatory messages were delivered by the president of UPF in Germany and leaders from various sectors of society. Munich UPF expressed appreciation for the dedication and hard work of the members and staff involved in the renovation, and stories from the remodeling process were shared. 7

The newly renovated UPF Center in Munich

## Albania: Seven-Day Tong-il Moo-do Workshop

Achieving a Higher Level of Accomplishment through Self-Discipline

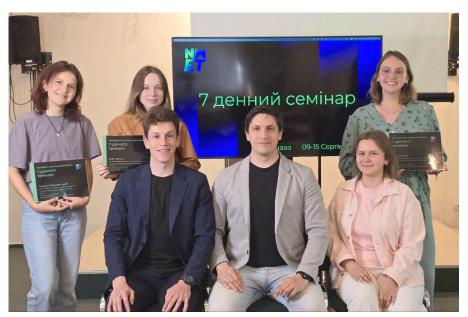


Participants in the FFWPU Albania Tong-il Moo-do workshop

rom August 17 to 24, FFWPU Albania hosted a Tong-il Moodo workshop at the Albanian Training Center under the theme "The Way of Loyalty and Filial Piety is the Foundation to Win Over Everything."

This seven-day program was designed to help youth cultivate both physical discipline and inner character. Through training in Tong-il Moo-do principles, forms, and self-reflection, participants were guided to experience and practice the values of unity, respect, perseverance, and harmony. Participants of all skill levels, from beginner to advanced, had the chance to challenge promotion tests, gaining a deeper sense of accomplishment. The workshop strengthened their commitment to personal growth and inspired in them a heartfelt desire to contribute to their communities, society, and nation. To

# **Ukraine: Street and Online Witnessing Continues**Affirmations of Faith at the Warsaw Workshop



uring the summer witnessing campaign, FFWPU Ukraine actively conducted outreach both on the streets and online. Each week, approximately 30 guests participated in programs at the witnessing centers in Ukraine and Poland, sharing faith experiences and engaging in meaningful fellowship. A special seven-day workshop was held in Warsaw for youth who had connected through online witnessing. Through the grace and inspiration of God's Word in the workshop, newly joined young members boldly affirmed their commitment to the path of faith. 7

New witnessing contacts who have completed the seven-day workshop

# Prague: Youth Peace Festival and Peace Cup A New Vision of Hope and Peace through Culture and Sports

Youth Peace Festival and Peace Cup were held in Prague, Czech Republic, from August 19 to 31. More than 190 young people from across Europe participated, celebrating peace and unity while enjoying the vibrant and engaging program. On the opening day, the Youth Peace Festival featured lectures, YSP activity reports, praise sessions, and exchange programs, providing

participants with an opportunity to reflect deeply on the meaning of peace. The following day, the Prague Peace Cup Tournament brought together around 170 youth from 26 countries, who competed in soccer, volleyball, running, and traditional games. Through these activities, participants fostered friendship and teamwork, creating a renewed vision of hope and peace through sports.  $\mathcal{P}$ 





① Participants in the Prague Peace Cup ② Participants in the Youth for Peace Festival

