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Suffering is a Privilege!

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As I read one of the Biblical letters of apostle Paul today, my eyes are full of tears, and feel as if I am with him, going through the same experiences, even though I haven't suffered nearly as much as he did. Paul said that he was imprisoned several times, beaten frequently, and often near death. Five times he received at the hands of the Jews the 40 lashes less one, three times he was beaten with rods: once he was stoned, He suffered from hunger and thirst, often without food, in cold and exposure. He goes on saying, "Apart from other things, there is the daily pressure upon me of my anxiety for all the churches. When some were weak, he also felt weak. When some were made to fall, he was indignant. At Damascus, the governor guarded the city in order to seize him, Paul had himself let down in a basket through a window in the wall, and escaped his hands. He suffered many other things besides these. (read II Cor. 11:21-33)

We know now what imprisonment, beating, hunger, insult and worry for God are. And yet Paul overcame them victoriously, "We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed." (II Cor 4:7-9) How true it is! Suffering only strengthens our will and hardens our determination, and persecution only solidifies our bond of love, And we learn the same lesson as Paul did, who said, "We rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance: and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts." (Rom 5:3-5). Suffering for the right cause deepens our thought and love, enriches our experiences, and refines our personality. Hardships drew Paul only closer to the love of God. "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ... No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Rom 8:35-39).

The absolute bond of love with God does not come from an easy, comfortable and unchallenged life. We can readily imagine how often depression attacked Paul and how much trouble he had with those under his leadership in addition to the suffering caused by his various opponents. However, Paul finally could say, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith" (II Tim 4:7). Oh, Champion of Faith: Hero in the good fight!

It is the general view that after Jesus was crucified, Paul was the one who laid the foundation of the Christian Church. The price Paul paid, the indemnity Paul made, was high enough to sustain Christian faith for the two thousand years of the New Testament age! Countless are those who have been inspired by Paul, to whose devotion and sacrifice numerous Christians owe their spiritual growth. Through the experiences of hunger, mockery, insult, rejection, persecution, worry for fellow members, we are sharing the noble experiences of the great apostles, saints, and the righteous who have suffered the same way paying restitution to lessen the evil of this world.

When we are insulted and rejected by the Christians because of our message, we know exactly how Jesus felt when he was insulted and rejected by the Jewish people. When we are rejected, mocked and persecuted because of the Divine Principles we teach, we are privileged to experience a small percentage of the thorny path our Leader has gone through. Without going through the same experiences how can we know his feeling of loneliness, expressed so well by Elijah: "I am left alone, they are seeking my life?" Without physical suffering, how can we know his extreme fatigue in carrying the heavy burden day and night in spirit and body? Without being insulted and mocked by the masses, how can we know the narrow path of insults and mockery by the masses which he has received? Without being betrayed, reviled, and accused falsely for the sake of Our Lord, how can we understand his gushing tears? Without being beaten, how can we feel his physical pain and aching? Without the experience of hunger, how can we know his hungry years of struggle? Without laboring for others' spiritual growth, how can we know his labor of raising us?

All aspects of his life have been manifestation of the suffering of the Heavenly Father. Only through suffering of one kind or another can we share his experiences, his feeling, and his life, Only after going through at least part of his suffering will we be able to feel and share his joy, victory and glory!

Through suffering we come closer to the Father and are able to think with Him, see things with Him, and feel with Him. In this way we become like Him in our desire, in our judgment, in our love and will. The Father is re-creating us after His Divine image through the various ways of suffering,

The Father has come a long way of suffering and rejection through the Old and New Testament ages to meet us today. The way He came along was the way of rejection and suffering by mankind. So the only way to meet Him is to go back the same way He came through. Therefore the course of restoration can be no other than suffering. The way of Indemnity can be no other than rejection. This is why

Jesus said, "The gate is narrow and the way is hard, **that** leads to life, and those who find it are few"(Mt 7:14)

Paul went through this **way** to lay the foundation of **X** Christian Church. We, the Cosmic Family, **also** have to go through the way of depression, perplexity, rejection, insult to lay the foundation of the eternal ideal world. Since our goal is visible, **our way** is much easier for us to endure than **that** which Paul went through. Paul said, "I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities; for when I am **weak**, then I am **strong**." These are the priceless privileges that we on earth can have to make a leap in our spiritual growth and to hasten the **work** of the whole and shorten the time of universal restoration. Spirits do **not** have a physical body and cannot make the wonderful adventure we can. This is why **they** envy us. Let us take advantage of our privilege **in** having a physical body! Suffering is the absolute necessity for the universal restoration: then **we** must not avoid it by all means. Suffering is the best means to shorten our course; then we **will** gladly choose it. Suffering is the best discipline to re-create our personality after the Father; then we will buy it even with gold. Suffering is **the** quickest way to be one with the Father; then we will rejoice in it.

We now understand why Jesus said, "Blessed are you when men revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my **account**. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so men **persecuted** the prophets who were before you"(Mt 5:11-12).

Undergoing rejection and suffering is a priceless privilege. Let us be grateful for our thorny path!

News from San Francisco

1. Gordon has been lecturing **in** to a group of Edgar **Cayce's** in Richmond for several weeks.
2. The group in Berkeley handed out cards to students of Cal. during registration week. Around 10 students came and heard the message.
3. The Flemings have started lecturing at their house in Burlingame.
4. Miss Kim visited L. A. for a week in September.
5. On week ends we have been holding training sessions with the family here in S.F. as well as with those from Sacramento and the Bay Area.
6. Earnest Stewart left for New York on an evangelical trip to witness to his relatives.
7. Gordon is going to Sacramento to lecture this week end.
8. Herbert Kregel left to spend a week end in L. A.

Testimony:

Dale Torkelson

I am that fortunate one that Gordon Ross was led to while attending the Rosicrucian convention in San Jose. Gordon went over six of the chapters with me, while we were in the park one sunny afternoon. After finishing with the six chapters he asked me if I would like to buy a book, and I said yes!. I was very impressed by the message and the way it was presented to me. Because on Sept 22, 1961 I had a vision of the pillars of the heaven and earth shake violently and beheld a new heaven and earth and saw our Lord at the crack of dawn.

The following day I was given a paralleled message on paper, by a brother who was led to me by the help of an archangel named Michael and was told that a certain person would bear witness of them at a later date and Gordon did although **I** at that time I did not fully realize it. When departing I told Gordon that I would prove him right or wrong. I went back to my job and also of course started to read the Divine Principles **to thing** and things began to happen for the worse it seemed for no reason at all, that I could see.

I have been working for quite sometime teaching certain people how they may raise their lower body vibration to a higher rate of vibration that they might attune themselves to the higher **sphere**.

While one of my students was attuned to a higher sphere I asked him if a man named **Sun M.** Moon existed, and he replied 'Yes'. So I asked where and he said, "I see a small town which is very shabby looking in **many** ways especially the buildings and behold our Lord in a astonishing manner. This impressed me very much, so I came to **SAn** Francisco and was greeted with a very unusual welcome, that is as if they knew I was coming. Well, in short I accepted.

I only want to be of service to our beloved leader in the east and to his and our precious and beloved star in the west Miss Kim and my brothers and sisters in our Lord.

It just thrills me to think that I'm so lucky to live in the same house and participate in the work under our Miss Kim and my bretheren. I am so lucky.

News from Sacramento

Sandi

Dear Family: We have now made Thursday evenings our official meeting night here in **Sacramento**. We pray that, very soon, we can have enough interested people to have meetings every night of the week. John is becoming a good lecturer and seems to bring forth new ideas each times he lectures. It is wonderful to have a young man lecturing the Principles here. A man seems to represent logic and intelligence to many people and they listen more attentively to his lectures.

We made posters about the Principles and told of our Thursday night meetings. We distributed these posters on the campuses of the 2 colleges here in Sacramento and on the campus of the University of California at Davis. We are praying for a response from these young people.

Jo Grey, one of the people we contacted, has really taken the Principles as her own. She read the book in one day and accepted them immediately! She has an amazing grasp and understanding of the message. We are now preparing for our trip to S.F. We send our love to all.

News from Washing D. C.

Dear Family,

Betty Roland

What a precious thing to know the meaning of this word "Family." By the teachings of our beloved Brother. Lt. Col. Bo Hi Pak, my husband, Bob, and I became soldiers in our Lord's Army. We have much yet to learn ~~by~~ but we know that soon the Divine Principles will be on our hearts in all its fullness. What a glorious thing to look forward to!

Later on we will probably have regular classes in our home, but at the present my husband's task is helping Col. Pak with his writings. At the same time we are witnessing to others at every opportunity, which is almost daily, either by telephone or in person.

One couple we have witnessed to will be joining us at a class at Col. Pak's. We now pray fervently for them and for several others who may soon show some interest.

How we long to come face to face with our Master, but we must wait patiently for this as for all things. Our love goes to Him, to Miss Kim and Brothers and Sisters everywhere-

Dear Friends,

Mrs. Myrtle F. Hurd

Thank you for all your prayers concerning my husband. He was very near death early in the week, chances were he could have gone into shock, he was so weak. Col. Pak took time from his busy day to come to see us and pray for him. He told me afterwards to be strong and my husband would get well. My own faith wavered at times, because of the overwhelming evidence of the medical reports. But I kept remembering "that Col. Pak said he will be alright not "may" but "will" and he is much better.

I miss being with you tonight but I urge all you new members to stay with this study, I realize it sometimes differs from the accepted ideas of the Christian world. But sincerity in one's belief does not by any means establish it as correct. The belief of man does not change a principle.

The world may believe something and it could be wrong. The world could reject it and it be true. The unbelief of Noah's day did not stay the flood, The murder of Christ by the chosen ones, did not prove him an imposter.

I know these truths are divine and authoritative, that they will overcome every obstacle and grow stronger as error grows weaker and ultimately we will all be united in one faith; not a confused residue of traditional doctrines, but one that will give us all the joy of the absolute passionate faith. I know that soon we will all be as loving brothers and sisters as God meant us to be.

You owe it to yourselves to listen to Him, I have for many months and everytime I read my Bible I believe stronger and stronger in this principle. God bless you all.

Dear Miss Kim and family,

Alexa Altomare

As a new member (One month) of the Divine Principles' group of Col. Pak, I would like to introduce myself. My name is Alexa Altomare, I am 20 years old, and I am a native Washingtonian.

I read one of your newsletters for the first time last week and I feel that I must express the joy, inspiration and re-determination it gave me. Everyone is doing so much for God, and reading of what they are doing gives me the inspiration to do just as much and more.

One thing I noticed was that there was no news from Washington in the newsletter. In order to remedy that situation, I will tell you what we have been doing here.

There are two study groups in the Washington area now -- Col. Pak's group at his house in Arlington, Virginia, and now a new one at Sgt. Lehman's house in Maryland. In a few months a third will be added, this one in Washington itself. Every week our group gets a little bigger as it cannot help but do, especially with Col. Pak as our teacher. Soon we plan to start a study group in Baltimore, Maryland. I think Jhoon Rhee and Richard Wood will be sent to start it.

If any of the members who read this letter have a moment or two, I would greatly enjoy hearing from them. I would like to get to know everyone personally although I already feel very close bonds of brotherhood with everyone. By sharing each other's thoughts, ideas and hearts, we help and strengthen one another. Love to all and I hope to hear from you.

News from Germany

Ursula

Dear Miss Kim and Family, Last night I returned from a 2 weeks trip to Caorle, Italy. My sister wanted to spend her vacation in a warm country, and I joined her. The tour was organized by a travel agency of Wurzburg, the largest town of Lower Franconia. I certainly did not like the idea of having a lazy life, whereas the other members of the group sacrifice themselves for our ~~and~~ ~~even~~

movement, but somehow I had the impression that I should go. Furthermore there was a good chance of meeting young people on the bus.

During the first week I made several translations of articles from previous newsletters and other documents. Then I worked out short compositions covering the most important subjects in the first part of our book. People are possibly more willing to read the whole book when they are familiar with the outlines. Therefore I wanted to have a preview of the highlights leading up to the conclusion. During the second week I met a young man from Munich who expressed his interest in psychology and philosophy. I gave him my notebook right away wherein five chapters were described as well as the English introduction with 40 points. When I saw him again a few days later, he told me that he was so fascinated by the logical and simple explanations, that he had meanwhile copied almost everything. I promised to let him read the whole book as soon as it is available.

On the way home I sat next to a student of engineering from Wurzburg. It did not take long and we were discussing parapsychology. He told me that he had not been to church for three months and that he was unhappy about the present world situation. When I introduced him to the Divine Principles he was amazed and agreed to all points which I explained. As a cautious person he wanted to study the whole subject with me before accepting or rejecting anything. We are soon going to arrange a meeting.

Side trips to Trieste and Venice did not mean too much to me. It gives greater joy and satisfaction when a human being listens to our message and shows a positive reaction. How much more happiness will our Father experience to see his family grow. Let us be zealous to expand the Kingdom of God! Love.

Dear Miss Kim: (part of Peter's letter) I wish I could come and visit you once a month to listen to your teaching and have the give-and-take. From now on the Divine Principles are available in German. Two days ago the books came from the book binder. Three copies will go as regular parcel to you, and I expect them to arrive in S.F. in about 4 weeks. Love.

Report from Burlingame

Mary & Jim Fleming

What a month this has been! We gave our first lecture on the 6th to three people and Gordon lectured to another three here the following night. One of these was the daughter of the Associate pastor at our church who, naturally, reported all. The following week I was subjected to some rather severe grilling which came to an abrupt end when I started asking questions he couldn't answer. I told him we'd be happy to have him listen to the entire lecture so his questions could be answered. His reply was that he "wouldn't walk two steps to listen to it." On Monday, the 16th, the Pastor returned from a month's trip, and I was fired. It wasn't put quite that way, of course ("If you think I'm going to fire you and make a martyr out of you, you're crazy!"), but that's what it amounted to. I quote from a couple of letters he has written us since then: "...this new religious teaching in which you both are engaged is far removed from the type of thing we believe and teach here. This thing has gotten to be a considerable source of embarrassment to me, to the church and to Yokefellows. Quite a number of people approached me on it upon my return, and I found myself involved more in discussing this movement, answering questions and the like than in doing my work. I love you both... but teachers, leaders and staff members, in order to qualify must obviously be in accord generally with the basic principles of the church which they serve. All I can do is to state the general principle and let the individuals determine whether they are in accord. From all I have heard and read I cannot believe there could ever be any real harmony between Divine Principles and standard Christian teaching." "...I feel it improper for any religious movement to move in on an existing group and seek to proselyte, instruct or indoctrinate them... For the moment my only action will be to notify Yokefellows of the entire Bay Area of this movement, since many have asked me about it, and I cannot see each one personally. I hope it will not be necessary to do this in the church. The only thing which could make this necessary would be if, in your zeal, you felt it desirable to contact any of our members... if any one of our members, or people related to the church, are contacted in behalf of this movement, I would feel it essential to get out a letter to the entire membership telling them my frank opinion of the movement. I dislike doing this, of course and would not do so unless proselyting made it necessary. I feel a deep loyalty to the Church, and a need to protect it from what I consider a serious and divisive heresy."

He did send a card out to all local Yokefellow groups, which naturally stirred up quite a bit of interest. We had calls from nine people the following week, all of whom have now either heard or are scheduled to hear the lecture. Since most of these are also connected with the church, we expect he will feel it necessary to carry out his threat to inform the membership, which will create even more interest. How helpful can you get?

The thing which has impressed us most about this is our lack of antipathy and anxiety about it. No one really likes rejection, and there's a strong feeling around that you're slightly nuts if you actively seek it. But we are so sure we're following the right path that the anger, and scorn we have received just makes us more sorrowful that people can be so blind. And what terrific indemnity!

Naturally we have been assailed by doubts occasionally. Suppose this is all an immense hoax? Suppose the years go by and the world does not improve? Suppose we are upsetting our lives, making ourselves victims of mockery, rejection, pain, suffering, antipathy, animosity -- all for nothing? Well, what have we lost so far? We have lost a lack of direction and commitment. We have lost considerable anxiety and fear as a result of knowing the source of them. We have lost one job which I didn't want anyway. We have lost the friendliness (not friendship) of some acquaintances whose presence in our lives was neither fulfilling nor stimulating. We have lost some respect which was accorded us as followers and leaders of the common doctrines and beliefs. We have lost what now proves to be a very tenuous security based on adherence to popular thought.

And what have we gained? We have gained the friendship and support of a group of people whose concern and dedication to one chief objective, the total restoration of God's world, supplants any and all other personal considerations. We have gained a new sense of values which shows up the flaws in the old values and which enables us to accept with courage the ridicule and rejection of the world. We have gained a new appreciation of the suffering of God, Jesus, and the saints, as well as an empathy for people on an individual and national basis. We have thus far successfully coped with the attacks of Satan and gained the strength that comes with such success. We have gained a belief, a dedication, a commitment which we have never achieved even in our most active days in the church, and we are giving of our total selves gladly rather than from a sense of duty or because we are being paid for it. We are active participants in something much greater than the temporary and unimportant persecution we are now receiving. And who can continue to have doubts in the face of such fruit?

Around the middle of the month, too, we became aware that we had very little power. This was felt strongly during one lecture. On the 18th, we both received separately the information that our job now was to bide our time, study the Principles and the Bible, rest and prepare ourselves for the people who will be led to us in increasing numbers. Our Leader spoke in a vision and told me that the spirits had been recalled to the spirit world to inform those still there of what is going on here. He said they are now beginning to return in very large numbers. Spirits who have not been involved up to now are entering in earth plane\$ and will be influencing, inspiring, guiding, directing individuals in this area to learn from us. He said we will soon see very great changes. (I do not know exactly what area this covers, but if you felt a loss of power about that same time, your locality is probably involved too.) We have already felt the return of power here in the Bay Area. At a time when my depression was fairly strong, I was reminded that "... We have the power, they don't. Their power is of a mischievous, irritating quality -- like flea hits, annoying but not incapacitating." The Master said that those who are spiritually attuned to receive high messages are also very susceptible to influence from low rates of vibration. But he reminded me of the ring of fire which surrounds us, indicating protection from evil,

And protected we are! It is with serenity and great joy that we have taken our first faltering steps, and our strength is growing daily. We feel wrapped in love and conviction, and the certainty that the Kingdom of Heaven really is at hand. How grateful we are to have the privilege of taking part in God's Victory!

Passing on the Baton

To Family of Divine Principles:

Robert W. Roland

In my routine travels as an airline pilot I am privileged to visit many areas of these vast United States. Consequently, as I write these words to you tonight I am sitting in a hotel room high above the teeming streets of Chicago. From my window I can see the towering skyscrapers silhouetted against the shimmering, moonlit waters of Lake Michigan. The air is cool as an autumn night and the moon, rising in the east, begins to bathe the earth with its soothing rays of light. Its light is a dazzling orange and its brilliance is so great that it dims the stars of heaven whose lesser light is almost invisible to the eye.

Immediately, my thoughts begin to dwell on our Lord and how his light, also, does outshine all lesser lights of the universe. At this moment my heart within me begins to swell at the very thought of his presence among us. I wonder if my soul can contain all that is being poured into it. The words of the Old Testament psalmist take on new meaning - for surely, "my cup runneth over."

How long all of us have waited for this present day of glory and wondered what part we would play and how we would respond. Would we be counted among the scribes and pharisees - or among the humble fishermen of Galilee? Would our hearts be so full of God's love that we would be able to hear when He spoke unto us His words of truth? Would we be found faithful as soldiers of His divine truth? As for myself, if I can trust my own heart and rightly interpret the fire which burns there - then the answer is a resounding Yes! For if God has brought me this far in my searching journey then I am confident He will go with me all the way. With full assurance, that by drawing upon the Father and upon each other for strength we shall, at last, bring comfort to the Divine Heart.

Recently, our three-year old daughter received liquid burns upon her hands and face. Her tears of pain and suffering tore at our very hearts and we shared with her all that she was feeling. We applied medication and comforted her but we could not take away the pain. Each tear she shed from

her eyes was accompanied by a tear shed from our heart and if we could have taken all of her pain upon ourselves we would have done so joyfully. This is the love of a parent for their child and is but one of many incidences that continue through life. Whether our children suffer pain of the body or of the heart we would gladly bear it for them. But this is not possible, so we hope that their experiences of suffering and pain will serve a noble end; that they will learn and thus build strong traits of character. For in all suffering there is much we can learn - if we will.

If this example serves as an illustration of the human relationship of love existing between parent and child, think of the heavenly relationship between Father and children. How much greater is His love for us, consequently, how much more He does feel the pain of our suffering. ~~Ho~~ Now that we understand more fully the suffering of God we begin to comprehend the agonizing pain which His children of the world are causing Him. What greater task could we have than bringing relief to Divine suffering? Our strength for fulfilling this task is in our midst and with courage, ~~dte~~ determination, and love we shall do our part in this glorious endeavour. So together, let us determine to realize the true brotherhood of man under the true Fatherhood of our Lord. Pray for us here in the United States as we pray for all of you, wherever you may be this night. Washington, D. C.

I would like to designate Mr. Gordon Ross of San Francisco, as next writer of this Free essay column.

News from Korea

How We Received the Evangelical Expedition (cont.)

by S. H. Lee (M. D.)

I walked on, smiling with inner joy at the activities of the receiving party as they tried their utmost to relieve the fatigue and weariness of the marchers. By the time they arrived at the church, it was already 4:20 A. M. After offering a short prayer, the party divided into groups to eat, one group entering the small church after another had finished. The tired marchers then wended their weary way to the homes of members in the vicinity and, oblivious of their aching bodies fell fast asleep. Most of the hosts and hostesses were forced to remain outside of their homes because of the lack of space inside, but they did so willingly, spending their time praying that the marchers rest comfortably. There wasn't even enough place outside for them to sit down, so many spent their time standing or walking around.

A beautiful morning quickly arrived. A number of the receiving party were trainees. They suddenly asked permission to leave for their homes! They would have to walk from 40 to 60 miles to reach their homes and mission fields. I could see clearly that the fiery spirit of the expedition party had spread to the trainees, inspiring them to start their work quickly. Before they left, I gave them encouraging remarks, and they replied, with enthusiasm, "We will fight to the victory!" Their resounding reply echoing in my ears, I watched them leave in high spirits. My attitude became very serious, and I said to myself silently, "The Spirit has been inherited." Who would have thought that the heart and spirit of the expedition could be passed on overnight? Why not then to those whom the trainees would contact in their mission districts! Silently I mused, "This is indeed a chain-reaction of the heart." This chain-reaction will grow and spread until it reaches every village in Korea. It will grow until it reaches Japan, America, and even the entire world. Thinking of this expanding of flame of the heart, consuming the old order of sin, and the dawning of the New Heaven and the New Earth made my heart swell within my breast! Unmindful of the desires of the trainees; the expedition group slept on.

After they awoke, the expedition group moved from the outskirts into the city of Taijun. I had gone to the city before then in order to prepare the necessary first aid kits. The group entered the city, marching along the ~~sg~~ streets, in time to a whistle-blown cadence led by three flag-bearers, and their solemnity so filled the air that it seemed as if those who watched on the sidewalks were ready at any moment to bow in submission. The pedestrian and vehicular traffic slowed to an amazed stop when the inhabitants of the city found out that the expeditionary force had marched from Seoul. In a few minutes, our flags of Unification had conquered the whole city. Feeling again the dignity and power of the group, my emotion reached a peak and I cried inwardly, "Victorious Marchers!" "Triumphant Entry!" At last the group reached our regional headquarters. Filling the church, they knelt down to the Heavenly Father. In a few moments, the church was an ocean of tears. Forgetting their aching legs, they cried out to the Father. Truly they were His pride and victors of Heaven! After their prayer, they ate breakfast, a poor meal, but one which they gratefully accepted, saying that it was delicious! During the meal, pressmen came, for when they had heard of the expedition from the regional leader, they were greatly impressed. In a small room, first aid was administered, and though some had soles more blistered than others, all took and applied a wet compress to their feet. Only 120 more miles to go! My heart ached because I didn't have enough bandages and gauze to go around. Even though the treatment was simple, their start was delayed several hours because of the inadequacy of my small private hospital. In a few hours, the members of the district had gathered together to give the expedition a big send-off. The regional leader made a few remarks and then offered a prayer. Mr. Han, standing on a high place in the street, then made an eloquent and heart-felt speech, which inspired the expedition members and even moved the people of the city who had gathered around to see what was going on. Led by

Mr. Han, all shouted three time in unison: Manse! (pronounced "mahan-say"); the cry is similar to the English "Hip, hip, hooray!") Then led by the three white flags, the group began their march. Although the whistle began sounding the cadence, the steps of the marchers were heavy. Some dragged their feet, some were limping, and some stepped carefully, wincing at each footfall. Their faces, however, showed a grim determination overcome their pain. One could see that with every step they were fighting a battle, and that having just started out, they would continue fighting for another 120 miles! Their faces were tense, their steps were solemn, and their flags waved slowly in grandeur. Receiving the admiration of the whole city, the group marched for an hour and a quarter until they reached the outskirts, at which time we cried out to them in farewell: Manse! Manse! Manse! We felt sorry that we could not hold them here any longer or go with them. But for the sake of the Cause, we must endure the sorrow and long longing when sending our members away or leaving them. This is Way of Unification. This is the Course of Restoration, In each of our breasts, we felt a sense of firm resolve; silently we bid them part. Even Heaven seemed to be gloomy, for the sky was overcast ~~our hearts were very~~ our hearts were very heavy. Drawing ever farther apart, we waved at each other. When the last man had turned around the hill and faded from sight, with lonely hearts, we set out for home.

The Master's Prayer (Offered at the Wedding of the 124 Couples)

Father, You created the cosmos and all things with an eternal purpose, to be centered upon true men; this we know. The eternal world which You created was the world of Truth, the world of Goodness, and the World of Love, It was a world which contained everything man could possibly want. We know that this world of happiness was to be the eternal inheritance of Your beloved sons and daughters. It was Your Will to bless Your children so that they might respect Your Will and live in Your world with eternal happiness, ideals, and satisfaction. We knew that You should have been receiving joy and glory from our forefathers, who, according to the expectation You had for Your creation, with utmost loyalty and filial piety should have set the way of true Husband and Wife, of true Father and Mother, and we knew that they should have become true Parents to be worthy of being called a true son and daughter, and that they should have sung a song of eternal love. In this kind of world, our forefather caused the Fall against Your Will, and the true man You had hoped to see disappeared. True Husband and Wife, true Father and Mother, true family and tribe, true nation and kingdom, true world and cosmos were lost. We know that this became the sorrow of man and the grief of God. Hence man became more worthless than a handful of mud. Yet You did not desert man and determined to deliver him from the lowest depths. You worked in the O. T. Age for his deliverance by setting him in the course of a servant. We know that you have been working during the dispensation of Jesus on the foundation layed by those who followed the course of servants to find true, devoted sons and daughters. We knew that it was Your Will to send the Messiah as the Everlasting Father of mankind and that with him You wanted to lay the foundation of individuals, families, and tribes. We knew that Jesus had come with the mission to fulfill this great task and that all men of earth should have celebrated his coming and that the entire creation should have served him as the true Parent and helped him fulfill and established a bond with him as true children, and that he should have established one world, fulfilling all conditions. Since Jesus could not set up true children, You have been working for the past two thousand years providing for the adoption of men as true children. Thus many Christians and numerous people all over the world have been seeking the way to be adopted. We know that by setting the way of adoption, You have been given the idea of the Second Coming in order to restore once again the true Father of mankind. To find a servant, to find an adopted son, to find a true son, for the long period of 6,000 years, You have been the Pioneer, fighting through the way of tears, blood, and sweat, We are standing here with You, to fulfill Your desire to unify individuals, tribes, nations, the world and the cosmos.

This is Your Unification flock, who have vowed to follow You, Father. Since You, Father, have gone through the way of blood and tears, I told them to go the same way. Knowing that You have suffered for helpless people and the entire world, vowing to follow through that way, they have shed their sweat, blood, and tears on this land of Korea and have fought for Your Cause, Please accept them on this day of July 24, 1963. I pray to You, Father, that You grant the promised blessing to them and make a joyful bond with them in the eyes of this congregation, of all Korea, of the whole visible and invisible worlds. On this sacred day we are celebrating the Feast of Candles. We are celebrating this feast for You, Father; please accept it as Your own and make a day on which man will give praise and take pride because the ideal of one world and brotherhood has been demonstrated. We are more than grateful if this event creates joy for all men. We are more than grateful if this nation can rejoice and give praise because of this event. I pray, Father, that You will conduct the marriage ceremony of these 124 couples. Give them Your blessing that they may be warriors in the satanic world in order to bring about one Day of Glory, so that the whole creation, all mankind, and the entire universe may rejoice with them. For this they are willing to endure any trials and sufferings,

bearing the cross for themselves, for their families, for their nation, and for the whole world, to bring you this one Day of Glory, these sons and daughters have made a deep and solemn vow in their hearts. Accept them as Your sons and daughters forever, They have made a promise to become husband and wife, not only on earth but throughout the world of eternity- Father, call them Your Pride and show them off to the world, The Glory of Heaven, the Harmony of Earth be with them forever, with this congregation, and with the entire creation. After this marriage feast, may the glory of Your victory be with them forever! They have made a vow to become true Husband and Wife, true Parents, true Sons and Daughters: therefore embrace them in Your bosom forever. This prayerful blessing I have made in the name of the true Parents and the eternal Father. Amen.

News from Oklahoma

Dear Miss Kim and Family: (Sept 9)

Joe Innuse

Greetings and best wishes to all the Sons of Light and Daughters of Zion. May you all continue to multiply at an ever accelerating rate in this land and the lands to come.

At a church discussion group I met Philip, a young man who just recently returned from a 13 months tour of duty in Korea. He called Korea "Little Jerusalem." He had spiritual experiences there and came to know God better. He became friends with the Korean people. He started to teach English in a small school, which through struggle and triumph proved to be rewarding for the people and himself. He felt God's presence strongly in Korea and he felt guided by God. He wrote many things in his diary which he received concerning the new message. Then, one night on ground duty, the sign of the Son of Man appeared to him. On a church wall he saw clearly the profile of Christ with a crown on His head. Much of his writing and experiences he did not understand. The first night I talked to Philip, I left the book with him. He read it quickly and had a spiritual experience in which the Father revealed to him a small amount of his suffering heart. He studied more thoroughly, and I explained and we discussed. He had another experience in which he felt the Presence of a white spirit, and he cried again. Later, the same night, as he began to write in his diary, his hand was taken over and in a scribbled, run-together style that did not appear as his own, he wrote: "I am what I am. I am no more, I will tell you what I want you to do. I am the way." Last night he came to the conclusion and we talked some more. This afternoon he came and told me that he was going to take the "leap of faith" and accept. We talked until late and then he confessed to me some things that Satan had been accusing him of, and holding him by. He wants so much now to do God's will,

How overwhelmingly wonderful all of this is! I truly feel that I have done nothing. Never in my life have I changed one person's view of any facet of religion or philosophy, even though I had tried many times during agnostic life with what I considered conclusive arguments and I still have not. Surely a change such as this could only be brought about by spirit. This young man has been completely prepared for this message. The teachings seemed familiar to him even from the beginning. My prayers of late have seemed to be answered almost immediately. He has been prepared so well that many times I feel that he should be teaching me, not I him. I have learned many things by this experience.

(Sept 20th) Philip and I are now waiting at a coffee shop for a young man to come to hear about the message. Last Friday he was supposed to come, but Satan held him. We have been reading and studying. Yesterday we went to Lawton and attempted to find those who have ears to hear, but with little success. In the afternoon we came back to the Fort and talked to a young man for about one hour. We told him briefly about the entire message and gave our testimonies. He was impressed and said he had felt many times God's guidance. Today, Philip went alone into town. (I could not obtain a pass.) He could not find anyone to listen, but said that he had come to several new realizations. Then Philip witnessed to a young man (artist) and gave him the book to read. A Sargent and a chaplain are still reading the book. We hope they will see the light.

I am constantly amazed that Philip has been prepared so well, in so many ways. He was prepared to receive and accept the message. He has been prepared to teach. He has been prepared to accomplish long, pains-taking work. In Korea he took many pictures and now has a slide collection with which he won a slide contest. He has displayed the slides and given lectures to quite a few groups in the U.S. His original purpose was to show Americans the true Korea. Most soldiers never go beyond the fly-by-night villages built near the military compound. Consequently, they bring the story of their limited experiences to Americans. Philip wants to correct this injustice. He will use the slide to present the Divine Principles. It seems to me a very excellent way to draw people and lead naturally into the great message. He has slides of Ewha University. This is where you taught, is it not? When watching and listening to his slide lecture one laughs and cries inside. The story is complete and shows great contrast between good and evil. But I will let him tell his own story,

(Sept Oct 2) I will disembark from Brooklyn army terminal in a few days and about 10 days later I arrive Giessen, 41 miles northwest of Frankfurt. My address is: Pvt. Joseph E. Innuse, US 563 50035, 2nd Inf. Bn, 70th FA, APC 139, Fort Monmouth, N.J. I have been in Germany and now know a few general expressions and speak German. I am looking forward to the message at the ...

50825, 3rd Msl. Bn, 79th FA, Aps 169, New York, N. Y. I have been studying German and now know a few general expressions and social greetings. I feel that I must know the language at least well enough to tell German people where they can obtain a book or hear a lecture on the Divine Principles.

The expression, "a prophet is never received in his own country," has been true in so many cases, perhaps we would be more successful if Peter taught the Americans and I the Germans!

Satan has been attacking me spiritually lately, in dreams, and I am working to use every means at my disposal to overcome. How lucky, how blessed we are to receive the great new understanding at this time, before the tribulation becomes more intense. For the first time I feel that I can see and understand the reality of my existence. This has been proven to me over and over by evidence; intellectually, emotionally, and spiritually,

When I first considered the Divine Principles, I asked for evidence. And if I received evidence and much more. Some ask to know in their hearts, they also receive that which they request. But how few there are of the seeking heart? People are not open-minded and do not wish to know the truth. Nothing that is worthwhile comes cheaply. I pray that the hard times that are in store for this nation will come soon, so that these people will wake-up and begin to see and seek. Love.

Dear Doris:

Philip Burley

Although you do not know me and you have never met me I feel certain that because of the brotherhood brought by the Divine Principles that we would be friends immediately.

I am a friend of Joe's here at Ft. Sill, who brought me into the knowledge of the Divine Principles. Perhaps he has written about me already? To him I owe the deepest gratitude of thankfulness for giving me rebirth in the Principles. In time you will get to know me, I hope, through the news letters and through them plus Joe's constant high appraisal of you and others in the group, I know you and your works well.

In brief, Doris, for sometime I have known that God was guiding me to some purpose. After spending a year in Korea from June 62 to June 63, I felt quite certain that something would be waiting for me on my return. But never so much as the Divine Principles.

As my personal testimony would point out, I had been searching desperately for the TRUTH. In Korea, I made a vow to spend my life, if that's what it would take, in search of the Truth. As was conveyed to me later from Joe's testimony and the news letters, certain significant events and happenings in individuals lives within the Principles seemed to always precede or follow one's acceptance into or of the Divine Principles. Several significant things had happened to me prior, thus as Joe said, I was prepared. After realizing the fullness of the Principles and the knowledge of the Satanic forces present and holding us away from our heavenly Father, I felt that if this was the truth it would be Satan's greatest desire for me to not recognize the Truth. The material was not strange to me nor seemingly unfamiliar; everything was there only full-faith was lacking. After about 2 weeks of sincere study, prayer and one significant spiritual incident, I gave myself to the cause. The rest is history for just as all people who accept the Divine Principles, I have found my world anew. As I wrote a friend of mine, later to be mentioned; "I would not turn back now for anyone or anything."

I still have to realize the meaning of this for it overwhelms me to comprehend what is happening. At times, I ask myself; "How can this be happening today, to me? But to paraphrase St. Paul; we are without excuse not to know... for even in my short time with the new Truth I have seen God's spirit working. When we approach those who are obviously prepared they become filled with something that changes them right before our eyes. Being a revelation from God, it's a message they can't forget.

In all respects I pray daily to serve God as He would have me to serve Him; most of all I now struggle for humility, how hard it is to kill the pride. The thought that I try to keep before me hourly is: The life I am living is incomprehensible and undefinable in words, not my person nor my being for they are without merit; but what God is doing with my life makes all other things null and void.

My main purpose in writing you is about a friend of mine. Her name is Z. A. Since coming into the Unification Church, naturally I have wanted anxiously to tell my family and friends the message. As for my family, I will have to tell them myself, in person.

Z., is the secretary of the church where I used to attend. After going to Korea, she began to correspond with me about once a month. Through our letters we became good friends and became close upon my return to the US. She is a professional writer on the side and has encouraged me to write saying she thought I had potential. Although Z is 66 and I am 23 we have become unusually close friends. To those on the outside, it would appear that there was something wrong. Believe me, it just one of those things where two people have a common understanding and love in Christ. She is quite a psychic person and has had significant influence on my own realization of the way God is working in our lives. At times our letters, in the crossing, will implicate or say the same things. Although I have cultivated her interests in Korea, it struck me rather strangely that just prior to me meeting Joe she sent me a picture from the newspaper of the Unification Church wedding held in Seoul in July. She has no knowledge of the church, but asked me if I knew anything about it, at the

time. Several weeks later, I met Joe and then I knew. I do not know if she will be ready it is just a feeling. I have written her and told her briefly and vaguely about the Principles. Not wanting to damage her receptiveness to the message, I purposely withheld some points so as to wet her spiritual appetite. I received a call from her last night in which she said that she was quite concerned about me and my decision. More than anything, I believe that she feared that I was joining not only a minority church but also a radical church. Of course, I tried to console her and tell her that perhaps she would understand in time and to please pray about it. Like most sincere, earnest Christians she still believes in the Truth in light of the New Testament. Thus, although I am not trying to discredit her, for she has no other knowledge, I know she is aware of how God is working but only in the same sense that most Christians are aware. However, she did mention in her last letter that her psychic ability scares her at times and she is aware that something is happening but she can't say exactly what nor discuss it at present.

I asked her if I might send someone to her to explain the Divine Principles and enlighten her on the Unification Church. Her answer was affirmative. As I said, I do not know if she will understand but I want her to hear this Truth as I want everyone in the world. Consequently, because of my newness in the group, I hesitate to speak freely to her about it for fear of erroring against God's will. Joe said that you lived and visited the L. A. area and that you would visit her for me. So, if you feel it is okay I would like to have you visit her and guide her as you see fit. Rather, I put it in His hands.

For your information, I told her generally that the Christian today in relationship to the second coming is in the same position as the Jew during the coming of Christ and that many will be in darkness and will not see the truth. I told her the church had its foundation in Korea and Japan and that in 7 years the world-wide foundation should be laid. Also that I believe in this truth and know that it is a revelation from God. I've mentioned nothing about the Lord, or anything specific nor the spiritual part. Only that we are in the latter days and that I have had sufficient proof to know that this is true through visions and one spiritual incident and the effect that the message has on those who are prepared.

Philip

(P.S.) Joe gave me your letters to read tonight and we read them over a cup of tea at the snack bar. First, I'm sure people think we're something from outer space, as we spent hours there, sometimes using one tea bag 4 or 5 times (makes for weak tea on the 6th time) and drilling on the D.P.. Naturally, but sorrowfully we are in our own world and both feel so uncomfortable when people force small talk upon us. Your letter and Orah's give me such a spiritual uplift that your words prick my heart until I can almost feel the vivacious vibrations of joy through them. How I long to meet you both!

With the anticipation of Joe's departure this coming week, I become somewhat saddened for I've come to love him as a brother. But, what must be, must be - if it means spreading of the Divine Principles then I can bear his going. Most of all, I am desperate to establish a base here but also realize the indemnity I will pay. There is no turning back; my heart burns with an unquenchable desire to shout the Truth from every corner to every valley to every -- really my words are without power to say what I want.

My love to both of you all within the group. I know you not but you have been in my prayer mightly. Let's continue to set the world on fire -- you have done so much. May God grant me 1/10 of the energy you have and I'm sure I'll win! Again in His Name. Me.