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LETTERS & REPORTS

Los Angeles, Calif.

Lisa Martinez

Dear Family: Here in Los Angeles, we have been busy working to restore our new Center, now the main Center, with the Virgil Center as the annex. It is truly a most beautiful Center, and responds in beauty as it serves the brothers and sisters, who take good care of it for the Heavenly Father. Sometimes we can almost feel Father's house breathing and sighing in relief — so glad that at last it can be used for its true purpose. We spent about three weeks in July, painting and cleaning the third floor first. After restoring this floor to make it livable, Jon and Sandy and the children moved in first, followed by the girls at the other end (actually the brothers moved in first before any restoration took place in order to guard the house from any more vandalism). From the third floor we modulated both vocally and physically to the ground floor (contrary to the principles of growth) and restored what is now called "The Room of All Things." The men's quarters are subtly hidden so that we can hold lectures at any time in the Room of All Things. Above the fireplace in this room hangs a painting contributed by the Berkeley Family. Also subtly hidden is our breakfast kitchen, which was kept up very well and is often a common meeting place after lectures.

As our physical work continued into August, we made a condition that all individuals know how to lecture the entire Principle before August 31. As a result of intense physical and spiritual activity, Richard Porter, Paul Yasutake, Michael Kobayashi, Susan Nestor and Mark Erickson joined, with some more good prospectives along the way. Richard, Paul and Mark live in the Center. Younger members, Lisa Hill, Erwin Yuehara and Suzanne Cook also took part in the August 31 condition. We also welcome Cathy Abbot, a freshman acting major in college, who is presently living with us. Cathy is learning the Principle and is responding most favorably. We hope we will have another new sister. Alice Eppy from New York heard Principle in a matter of days and is contemplating moving in.

The focal point for the past month or so has been to gain new members, since Father has so few children whom He can live with. There has been intense witnessing, lecturing and raising, and of course, much growing. With Gary Jarmin, Susan Miller and Judy Culbertson now

dispersed throughout the country to pioneer and assist in other areas, Father has blessed us with a new generation in our centers. It is a joy to be involved in an entirely new growth process. At the same time, one can feel even more the Father's heart as He urges each member to quickly grow to mature individuals, since the time is getting so short.

With so many changes taking place, both outwardly as well as inwardly, it seems that now there are more opportunities than before to establish businesses. The day-care center has reopened (under the direction of Marion Dougherty) at the annex in the daytime, with assistance from Suzanne Cook, Richard Porter and any other member who happens to be floating by. One such sister was Janice Coehlo from the Las Vegas Family. Also, through a discovery made by Marion and resultant exchange of ideas between Jon and Marion, a new business is born. It is called the "East-West Beauty Center." While working in the Wig Promotion Department of Sears & Roebuck, Marion discovered a new kind of synthetic wig, which sold well because of its durability. When Miss Kim arrived from Korea in July, much discussion transpired among the three of them about the possibilities of these wigs and how we can profit in selling them wholesale and retail. It turned out that Miss Kim had already thought of this as an investment long before. We are very grateful that Miss Kim has allowed us to be distributors of these wigs, while Miss Kim will act as agent. All centers have now received letters from Miss Kim concerning these wigs. We hope that all will be as inspired as we in Los Angeles are about them. Marion will follow through with more information on this matter later.

Charles Wright is now director of the Los Angeles FLF. He gave us a thorough report of the Somers Conference in New York. We were all so overjoyed at the results of the conference and the new direction FLF will be taking. Charles' report has stimulated new members to work with him in this area. Because education is our primary goal, Charles is sending letters to various groups asking for information and individuals whom we can contact for help. We hope to begin this semester a program of education at the campus of Los Angeles City College, using speakers, films and informative reports.

On the weekend of September 18-20, the Los Angeles, Las Vegas and Berkeley Families united together in Morro Bay for a sharing of center activities. The theme for that weekend was "Expansion for Father's Kingdom," with a turnout of over a hundred people. Jon, Sandy and the children also joined us on returning from their vacation, which elevated the hearts of the L.A. members about ten degrees, since we were all glad to see them back. Our sharing with one another was fruitful. Greater communication, deeper understanding and dedication to our Family throughout the world was gained and felt by everyone. For some

of us, it was a surprise to see Father's Family expanding more rapidly on a horizontal level, which inspired us to strengthen our alignment with our Father on an individual level.

Much growth has yet to take place. We should be so grateful to God that our True Parents made it possible for us to be together like this, for without them, I wonder where each of us would be in this world. Substantially assured that Father's Family is expanding, we all returned to our centers feeling as if we live next door to each other, not miles apart. A stronger bond of heart was truly felt between us all. So with determined hearts and a loud monsei to our True Parents, we again pledge ourselves to do this heavenly "groundwork" for our True Parents, who have made our path a much easier one.

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Prayer

Lisa Martinez

Beloved Father:

Because you have given us birth at this time, we bow down humbly to our True Parents — your True Son and Daughter who have set the perfect example for us to follow. Father, if it were not for them, we would not even be here ... we probably would have continued on the way our parents have ... Father, your heart would still be bleeding and your feel all bruised and torn from walking those thorny paths. But our Beloved, we vow this to you ... we will not repeat the mistakes our ancestors and parents have made ... and will not allow your heart to be stomped upon any longer. Father, you sit and rest now, it is our turn to take over this fight. You rest, Beloved Father, and do not worry about us ... we will not deceive you, nor give up as others have done. Father, our lives now belong to you ... they are not ours any more, so Beloved, do with us as you will, and we will act quickly. So Father, let us take the cross now, you have carried it far too long ... this is our mission now ... you rest, Father, don't cry and do not worry ... we will not desert you.

In our True Parent's name.

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Toronto, Can.

Marvi Ranniste

Warmest greetings to all our brothers and sisters from your Canadian Family!

Vince Walsh has departed for Winnipeg, Manitoba to attend a university there, and Carl and Linna have established a new center in Buffalo, New York. In this letter, we will attempt to give some idea of Toronto's activities this summer without them. The house seemed very empty at first, but we realize that the only way it is going to fill up is through our hard work and Father's assistance.

We'd like to announce our new Centre Director, since Linna's and Carl's departure — Katharine Bell — who was the second person to join and stay in Canada's Family (Vincent Walsh being the first) when it was first founded by Linna and Marie two years ago. It is interesting to observe how Father gives extra love, strength and wisdom to those taking on more responsible positions; only then does real potential begin to blossom!

In July, besides witnessing daily to people in our usual one-to-one basis, we made our first attempt at speaking to the masses at Alan Gardens. Alan Gardens is popularly known to Torontonians as the place for speaking your mind; where conversion of the masses is attempted by religious, socialist or communist-oriented people. Kathy, Alan and Bob each spoke for approximately fifteen to twenty minutes; and although only two people came to hear Chapter I through that effort, the gain made was one of spiritual growth within us.

Also in July, we were invited to partake in a seminar with a group of young Baptists. The young Baptists had chosen for a summer project a study of comparative religions. Among the five groups interviewed, we were informed at a later date, they were most impressed with the Unified Family.

During spring and early summer, Kathy attended a course on Catholicism. Kathy and her group instructor developed a good rapport between them, and in early July, she managed to teach all of Principle to him. He mentioned the desire to interview us over the university radio station sometime in the future.

Miss Kim paid an unexpected visit to Toronto for one day and night in July. She came up to see Matt Smith, but also spoke to all of the Family, giving more specific information on the physical and spiritual progress in Korea, Japan, WACL Conference, blessings, etc. It was wonderful to see her again and to also learn more about the progress taking place at Home.

Grace Ross, our newest sister, was unexpectedly and pleasantly surprised to find herself whisked off to Washington with Miss Kim the next morning. Since Grace was beginning her one week's vacation at that time, Miss Kim invited her to accompany her to Washington, and spend her holiday there. There was no doubt that Grace enjoyed her stay there, judging from her whole outer expression, when she returned.

August found us gathering together, nightly at 9:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, to read and discuss Principle together, to discuss topics related to Principle, and to practice and improve our teaching methods. The purpose of our nightly meetings was to attempt to bring us closer together, and to broaden our understanding and application of Principle. We found this an effective way to invite people who had already heard Principle to come and join us in a deeper give and take with the whole Family.

Through more communication and observance, we come to understand each other better. Another interesting way of developing our understanding of our brothers and sisters is through meeting their physical parents. We had the opportunity to meet Kathy's mother and a close friend of her family, Muriel, when they stayed with us for one week in the spring. Mrs. Duffy, Bob's mother, stayed with us for five days in August. It was a beautiful experience meeting their parents and also seeing how parents' character and habits can and do influence their children's make-up and personality.

More and more people are directly or indirectly being inspired and prepared by Father's increasing influence. Three teenagers from Detroit paid us a visit one summer evening — they were searching for a "Christian house" here in Toronto. Apparently in many cities throughout the States these "Christian houses" are becoming more and more popular to the younger generation who are rebelling against the institutionalized church and are going back to Christ, to follow his teachings purely, without the superficial motions and doctrines of the "Church." They firmly believe that Christ will return within their lifetime, but they expect him to come through the clouds, and life all his faithful followers up out of this world with him.

In Montreal a group of people known as "The Children of the Seven" have formed a community centered on revelations received by Sonny Grenich, their leader. Their leader is supposedly one of three people in the world who have been given the Keys to David. He is a jazz guitarist trying to express God through soul-inspiring music, and uses it as a base for reaching people. We contacted him while he was on a short

music engagement in Toronto. Sonny rarely accepts dinner engagements, but he and three of his members did come to dinner upon our invitation. He was impressed with the Family and stated that we were the first group that he had encountered since he began (1968) forming his spiritual group, that was similar to his. He feels that he has been chosen at this time for a specific mission.

During the latter part of August, we had the great delight of meeting another brother, Paul Bullen, who heard Principle early in 1970 in Paris, France and was raised by Barbara and Reiner. He will be living in Vancouver, British Columbia, which is on the west coast of Canada. He will be finishing his last year of secondary school and will also be seeking Father's lost children.

We are now swinging into the fall season, making special conditions and trying new methods of reaching our brothers and sisters in Canada.

May you all grow daily closer to Father; our prayers and love we send you always.

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The Ever White Mountains along the northern border and the majestic Diamond Mountains along the east coast have won for Korea the descriptive title, "the Switzerland of Asia." Its scenic attractions are among the most striking in the world.

from Chae Kyung Oh, Handbook of Korea

Catholicism was first introduced to Korea in the 17th century....The introduction of this religion to Korea was a departure from the usual experience of the Church for normally Rome had to send forth missionaries to the land of conversion. In other words, the first Korean Catholics became converts not by direct contact brought from Rome but by indirect carried forward by Korea....The Catholic doctrine was received from the outset as a new source of truth and knowledge....

from Korea, Its Land, People and Culture of All Ages. Published by Hakwonsa Ltd., of Seoul.

Washington, D.C.

Lokesh Mazumdar

October has seen a giant step advanced in the divine dispensation. The New Age has begun to flower in many nations, within many people. Our support, our hearts and hopes are with all the blessed couples who are starting to put in their 100 per cent in a new manner — the way of the solid trinity: in love, service and commitment.

We in Washington have had a glimpse of the reality of conditions, indemnity and joy. The activities of the month, carried out in one heart, have told on many spheres, some high, some low. In the end it was a deeper love that bound the Family together, and a deeper awareness of God's heart. We have reason to believe that He may have sighed in relief once or twice this autumn.

A prayer condition was set for 21 days preceding the blessings in Seoul. Also, the last three days of the condition were directed to prayers for the Kansas City Center. Just prior to the demonstration of the 17th, over 40 of the Family from the eastern U.S. (plus Gary Vesper from the Colorado Springs Center) took deep breaths and sturdy steps and marched the 40 plus miles from Baltimore to Washington. It was a condition taken humbly and well by all, despite some casualties. Such indemnity, we are beginning to see, is good indemnity. A condition that will continue till Miss Kim's return to Washington will mean one new child for every member in the Center.

The demonstration of the 17th was at once powerful and refreshing. The 777-candlelight-ceremony celebration at the Washington Monument Reflecting Pool area throbbed with the warmth, thanksgiving and joy of brothers and sisters from New York, New Haven, Rochester, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Rockville, Hyattsville, Alexandria and Washington. The union was high and hearty. At the close of the week-end there was a feeling of oneness in everyone — the newness of a new era, the newness of strengthened hearts. In all centers there was much cleansing, much rejuvenating, much reinforcing. We feel that Satan may have learned a lesson or two.

Sunday service beamed with the presence of Mrs. Kim, who will be staying at the New York Center. She is truly a living example of faith — her words, via Jack Hart, evoked much love and delight in all of us. Her message brings great hope for God, for the movement, and for man in general.

Media coverage was boosted into the good realms by a three-day fast

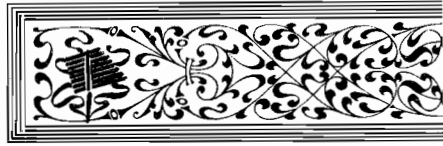
the week of the 8th. In addition to other appearances, Philip and Vivien Burley from the Boston Center, and Barry Cohen, appeared in interview on the Claire Show October 21. On the same program the Unified Family Singers brought an honest vitality into the premises and possibly more "light" than Claire would have suspected. Also, Barry and Marilyn Cohen, Joseph Sheftick, and Alan Wood projected a positive God and Family on the local WWDC Fred Fisk radio talk show — "Empathy."

As the couples were being blessed in Seoul, a pledge and prayer ceremony were held in the Center, after which the Family shared in the festivity with a grand Korean dinner. Afterwards, Philip and Vivien talked on the advantages of setting up a home-cleaning service business similar to the one in Boston. The prospects seemed good on the whole. The week ended in renewed brotherhood and joy.

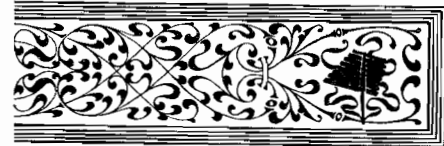
Extra effort was put forth by everyone here in Farley's absence. Glenda Moody stayed a week at the Center, bringing to it much warmth and insight. Towards the end of the month the Center began to blossom with the presence of the returning couples: George and Hillie Edwards first, then Neil and Becky Salonen. George couple, Neil couple, welcome all.

The creation here has changed color; even the wind is changing direction. For the world about us it will probably not be a winter of hibernation, because God seems to be at His swiftest now. We send you greetings, love, and what security we can. FIGHT! FIGHT! FIGHT!

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articles



Americans — Wake Up

Glenda Moody
(Washington Center)

America, this is the most critical time in history, to man and God; only a handful of people know and, most of all, understand the mission of America and her purpose to serve Father and the cosmos. America's Unified Family, wake up! You are the only Americans that Father takes into account for the success or failure of America. American Unified Family, you are at the crossroads of history. You are in the position of Abraham, Noah, and Moses, all in one. Are you going to have the lack of faith of Moses and become frustrated and frightened of yourself and strike the rock twice and lose all of America's conditions? Americans, where is your faith? Where is America's foundation of faith? You are America's foundation of faith. No one else will be able to build this foundation except the American Unified Family. This foundation cannot be built on fear or lack of faith in yourselves and in the love that God possesses for you, or on your own lack of love for God.

American Family, where is your faith and love for America? When is this Family going to start fighting Satan, no matter what the cost — to fight, love and live for America and Father's heart. I have seen too many of the Family live just for the Family, and not for the ideal or the heart of the Father. Though you know that something is wrong and you see God dying within your brothers and sisters, you are afraid to move because you fear the lack of Family acceptance, or because your brother or sister may be in a higher position. God does not dwell within positions. God even moves with the newest brother and sister. The American Family has to learn to move even in the time of fear. That is the time we should move the most, because it shows our Father must be trying to accomplish a tremendous foundation, because Satan is trying to instill fear to stop us from completing that foundation. Americans, when you take up arms to defend America in the time of fear, Father can use this as even greater indemnity. Plus, it shows God that you love and trust in Him so much that you would put your spiritual and physical life on the line. And in turn, Father will be able to bless you and your ancestors. My American Family, I have seen a few reasons why America is behind in her mission. One, I see the American Family does not really believe or have the faith in the ideal world to come. Two, you live too much for Family position and acceptance and not for the heart of the Father.

American Family, we now have to stand against Satan in the most crucial spiritual battle within ourselves, without fear of others and with faith in ourselves. Family, in the past few weeks I have seen faith move a great many of our brothers and sisters. Satan has been accused and has had to leave, just on the foundation of faith within yourselves and the belief in the Father's loving heart. Family, I cannot stress enough that many times Father's plans are not always the accepted way or according to the understanding of the Family. So, Family, this is why you have to learn to love God passionately and unconditionally; so that we can stand against Satan as I said, without fear of the unknown. Satan will create fear that is only from him, because he is fearing accusation from you. When you become one with God in heart and trust God passionately with your whole being, then, my brothers and sisters, how can Satan stand before you and accuse you?

The American Family will have to plunge to their knees in faith, only holding onto the Father's love, and even at times having to love and yet being rejected by the Father and the Family. God will put you through this kind of test. God will accuse you for the lack of love and trust in Him. To me, this is where Satan has really stifled and stunted the emotion of the American movement. He has made us worry about ourselves being loved and accepted. That is not what we're here for. We are here to love God, even if God does not return His love. To help mankind grow, even if they do not respond to us with love. We are here to serve God to the end, with the most passionate love we can give mankind from the heart of Father. What makes us different from any other church or movement is the passionate strength of truth and love and power we are capable of creating in ourselves and in turn of creating in another man's spirit. This is the power we have. This is the thing Satan fears, that another spirit will grow closer and greater to God, and one more man will be able to accuse him.

Family, the next thing I have to say can become the most glorified thing for man, but without faith can plunge America and the world into a cosmic battle. Family, the cosmos is moving, as I have said, into a universal level. Father's, our Master's and Miss Kim's blood, sweat and tears are coming into the reality of the ideal world. For the first time, the Father's true heart is being revealed on a universal level. Just think, Family, finally Father's true nature will be known to all men. For the first time since the time of Adam, God will be able to express the ideal of His true nature and will be able to put a footprint in the center of the cosmos as a condition and a reality that God is here to stay, and that Satan will be defeated, even if it takes the destruction of one third of the world because of the lack of faith and passionate love for Father.

Then, in a sense, we are like the arms, legs, mouth, but most of all, a full expression of the heart of the Father.

America, we cannot stand blindly and look at ourselves and say, "Why, within the last ten years do we only have a few hundred? Why within ten years have we only given a few thousand dollars to our Leader? Why is America's foundation of faith so weak? Why is America paying the indemnity which she should not be paying? Why does our Leader sigh when he talks of America? Why did Mrs. Kim say that America's prayers are weak? Why has Japan taken two conditions from us, which America should have held and given to Korea?" Family, the reason is because you do not live the Principle. You do not believe the reality of the love and power of God. Because of the chaos around us, you cannot accept that maybe there will be an ideal world. We are worried too much about self-acceptance and not about God accepting us.

At this time, Family, America is at the crossroads of either destruction or success. Within the next two years will come the hardest test for America. Family, are you strong enough to defend America? Are you keeping your eye on God, or are you keeping your eye on a position, or maybe you feel frustrated because of a lack of love and acceptance from the Family. This will not save America. Only a passionate, moving, realistic love can move this country. Americans, I really see the lack of love for our brothers and sisters in our movement. I see a new brother and sister come in and taken through the Principle once or twice, then after that he's expected to know. How can a child so young in spirit know the passionate reality of God's love unless you yourself have shown it to him? But no, he has to stumble and fall and pay the indemnity that you yourself should have paid. But because you may be in a low, you hide within the Family. But just think, maybe you are that one spark of hope or that one strand of love which might set the condition for God's love and the ideal world to move among the American people. I have seen only a handful of people within this movement raise their children to the standard of standing on their own two feet spiritually. More times than one I have seen a mother or father abandon his child spiritually because he is so caught up in his own depression. And we say we have the truth and absolute love. If these things are going on in our movement, then we had better take a second look and regain God's faith and trust and rebuild the foundation of faith for America.

Family, I myself will not stand for this. I will not stand to see ten years of Miss Kim's blood, sweat and tears go because we have not the faith or the passionate, unconditional love for our Father. I will not stand

for this even if it means rejection from this Family, because God cannot accept this Family on the foundation in which we are going now. We have to stop and re-examine ourselves and ask, "What does Father want? How much can we sacrifice? Can we go beyond our five percent to reach our Father?"

My beloved brothers and sisters, how do I have the right to say these things — for I am imperfect myself. But because I am imperfect, I realize even more that I have to even stand against you to free you, and then fill you with all the passionate love I have within myself so you can feel the reality of God's love. Because I love you so deeply, because I see the hope that our Father has in you, because I have seen the tears He has cried over you, because I have seen Him stand and defend you before Satan, because I have seen Him tell Satan, "You cannot take the indemnity out on my Family, so take it out on my adopted children" — meaning the Christians.

America holds three-fourths of the cosmic condition for the world. And you think, what does that mean? How can I fulfill this condition? By getting out of yourself, going beyond the Family and reaching into the heart of the Father, and standing within Him and in turn being able to stand with truth within the Family. If every one of us would do this, the power and the faith of the movement in America would expand the ideal of America into a reality. Family, we cannot reach inside this Family to find peace. We cannot reach within the Family to find love or self-satisfaction. We are here to love. We are here to kill everything that is satanic within us and to stand naked before God so God will be able to say, "My sons and my daughters have bled, sweat and cried because of their wanting to be one in heart with their Father."

I hope from this sermon, Family, that you feel the urgency of God's aching heart. He is calling and begging out to America! This is America's last chance to stand accepted in the restoration of man. Are you willing to go this rejected path, this loving and lonely path? Where does God stand within you? Oh, America of little faith, what path will we take at the crossroads of man? What will history say about America? This condition is left to you, my American Family.

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FOCUS ON THE TRIP TO JAPAN AND KOREA

First Two Weeks in Japan

Hillie Edwards

The "Japan Report" comes to you from Korea to give you a general account of events during the period of September 1 to October 3, 1970. I'll try to give you a picture of the first two weeks, and George will fill you in on the rest.

After 15 hours in the air (including a stop to pick up Nora Martin and Hugh Spurgin in Seattle), six of your U.S. ambassadors (Jones, Edwards, Spurgin, et. al.) arrived in Tokyo to be greeted by many Japanese "Kyodai" (brothers and sisters) who signalled us by waving Way of the World. After meeting Mrs. Kuboki and Mr. Young Whi Kim (new President of H.S.A.), we spent the night at a nearby hotel and had our first of many great experiences with the "ofuro" (Japanese baths).

The main purpose of our stay in Japan was to learn from their activities and also to help them prepare for the WACL (World Anti-Communist League) Conference, which was sponsored almost entirely by our Family. We worked with them to speak, hand out literature and provide a good international image for IFVC (our anti-communist organization) and WACL. The first four days we spent at Anmodai practicing anti-communist speeches (partly in Japanese!) for street meetings in Tokyo and Kyoto. We were up every morning for prayer, physical exercise, voice practice and speech writing before noon. In the after-⁹noons we practiced delivering our speeches. One day we visited and partially climbed Mount Fuji, where one of our Holy Grounds is located.

We returned to Tokyo for a welcome reunion with Miss Kim and planned with her to visit Expo '70 in Kyoto. However, although we saw the Korean, New Zealand, Thai and Swiss exhibitions, Expo was the least significant part of our trip. We visited two large, strong centers (around 100 members each) at Kygoya and Osaka, and received testimonies and reports of activities from two very successful Japanese directors. On September 9 Miss Kim returned to Tokyo, and we settled for four days near Kyoto at a small center to help raise support for the festival to be held in Kyoto on September 13 — the eve of the WACL Conference. We spoke continually through powerful microphones, broadcasting from a microbus as we rode for hours through the city, stopping at busy corners and speaking from the top of the bus, carrying

banners and handing out literature as one of us spoke from a bull horn on the street. Several times we shared the territory of the "Zengakoren" (radical leftists in Japan who wear helmets and sometimes carry bats with nails protruding from them as weapons; they are somewhat comparable to the Weathermen factor of the SDS in America — although they are professed communists). The Association for Koreans in Japan (Cho So Ren) is heavily influenced by North Korean propaganda and some members are dedicated to bringing revolution in Japan. We spoke in front of their headquarters building without incident.

"Senorita Castro and Senator Thurmond Mo Kinase!" was one of our proclamations from the bus in Kyoto to let people know that Senator Strom Thurmond and Fidel Castro's sister would come from America to speak at the WACL Conference and World Rally September 20. The six of us met Miss Castro personally as we solicited for funds our last day of street work. On September 14 we attended the WACL festival and impressed delegates from over 50 nations by remaining (with several hundred "Kyodai") at the festival in a driving rain. The WACL Conference itself was quite impressive, and Mr. Kuboki, as chairman, was a strong leader who spoke about world peace centered on God with authority and conviction. Many rich and powerful people represented their countries and spoke to us in praise of Mr. Kuboki and the young people who followed him, without knowing our connection with them. The Conference was held at the Kyoto International Conference Hall — a splendid modern structure encircled by mountains and lakes. Two grand dinner receptions were held by influential friends of IFVC and at each one Mr. Kuboki and our members received recognition from the delegates.

On September 19 we were reunited with all of the Vietnam crew and the European Family for one final day of street preaching before the Rally September 20. Six buses, fully equipped with international Family soldiers, hit the streets. One bus went to three locations, the last of which was Shibuya Station, stronghold of the Zengakoren. They were handing out literature stating, "Let's destroy the WACL Rally and the fascist leader Osami Kuboki." Two groups of five of us were to speak from the bus top, while the others handed out literature. The first group spoke to a small audience composed largely of our members, while the Zengakoren competed for attention in another section of the station (although they handed out their flyers around our bus). I was the first of the second group to speak. As the speech began, the Zengakoren made their first assault. Bending shoulder to shoulder, four abreast, they moved through the crowd in a snake-like form to push their way through to the bus. As they reached the bus, they began to throw paper, chant and gesture with great venom. The atmosphere was

charged with fear and hatred. I felt at first a wave of fear and then a surge of power that I'm sure heaven provided to counteract this blatant manifestation of Satan. For the first time we had the attention of everyone in the station and gained support of many neutral onlookers. To see the faces and hear the voices of our Family lent tremendous support to us on the bus. The Zengakoren called for reinforcements from the Cho So Ren and continued to attack in waves during each of five speeches. Altogether we spoke against their shouting, chanting and pushing for several hours, but each time they came, our Family members talked louder and stronger, both on the bus and on the ground. More fully than ever before we experienced that God's front line is Satan's front line, and we must win complete victory without compromise. Finally, as darkness fell, the police came and dispersed the leftists, just as the last member was speaking. We gathered that night for Family prayer with full hearts and high hopes for the next day's Rally — which George will tell you about.

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The WACL Conference and Travel in Japan

George Edwards

Throughout Japan all we heard about was the coming WACL Rally on the 20th. Our brothers and sisters in Japan had worked sacrificially for nearly a year for this event. The Rally was a tremendous success! Over 25,000 people attended, including many Family members. The foreign WACL delegates, members of various unrelated anti-communist organizations over all the world, had never seen such wholehearted, genuine and unselfish support for their cause. IFVC and Unification Church both gained a lot of appreciative attention by the influential people in attendance. And it was our Family which did all of the organization and work. The internal purpose of bringing our movement in closer relation with President Park of Korea was also fulfilled.

That evening we spent with some young Japanese members and their parents for fellowship and better understanding.

The next four days in Tokyo were less hectic, but still filled with rewarding experiences. I can only briefly mention them here. Mr. Kamiyama of Nagoya Church told of the successful activities of his church and gave us a brief version of an introduction to Divine Principle lectures, which is given at his three-day training sessions. The famous flower sellers, dressed alike very neatly, talked about their work, how they were able to raise more than \$500,000. Mr. Tamaka,

director of Osaka Church, explained the clever way in which he has gotten prominent people in his community to carry on many projects, such as People's University and a nationally read magazine. Mr. Sudo, who is director of spiritual training sessions for advanced Principle members of all Japan, described the organization of teaching and training. He also spoke about Principle and explained it in ways which were completely new to us. Mr. Abe, General Chairman for WACL, spoke about anti-communist activities in Japan and our participation in WACL. Mr. Oyamada, Japanese CARP (Collegiate Association for Research of the Principles) Chairman, showed us a movie and told us the history of CARP.

We are all filled with admiration and even envy of the progress and dedication of the Japanese Family. Hopefully, we will bring back much that can be applied in America. Above all, it is the spirit and sacrifice of the Japanese members which have made possible their numerous successes. There was also time in Tokyo for more diversified absorption of Japan. Mr. Kuboki took all of us to a sauna bath and afterwards to a Chinese dinner. Some of the group attended a symposium at Tokyo University. And all of us attended a symposium at Waseda University, which our Leader attended, followed by a reception, where we met and talked with professors who are friendly to our group. Miss Kim took us to see two Japanese movies.

On Friday, September 25 we separated into two groups, Americans and English with Miss Kim. Our group went north to the Unified Industries factory. Right now, they are making speakers for stereos and radios. Next year they hope to make guns; but legislation may allow Korea to export them to Japan, in which case they would not be produced in Japan. From there we went to our centers in the cities of Mebaschi, Sendai, Niigata, Kamayawa and Nagoya. In all we had fellowship and inquired about all their activities. By this time in our travels we discovered a good method for give and take. One or two Westerners would talk with a group of them — and we all would learn a great deal more about each other than was possible in large gatherings. We have discovered that each center in Japan is different from the others — mainly the variations are due to the nature of the directors. In Niigata we went with the Family to a beautiful Holy Ground on the coast of the Sea of Japan, facing Korea. Also in Niigata we were supposed to have a symposium at the university, but the Zengakoren prevented our holding the meeting on campus. So it was held at the church. The Kanoyawa Church is a grand old Japanese home — very beautiful, with a garden in the middle and a special tea house where we were treated to a tea ceremony. The Kanowaya Family provided us with a night of entertainment in which they surprised us with

their exceptional talent. One boy taught us a Japanese farmer's dance. A girl who works in the kitchen all the time came out with a beautiful Japanese kimono and played several tunes on the koto, a sort of Japanese harp. We spent one day sightseeing — a university and a beautiful park-garden built by a feudal lord. The next day we street preached in front of the governmental headquarters. We were invited inside by some officials who were friendly to us and, of course, greatly curious as to why 18 Westerners were preaching anti-communism in their city. In Tokyo we met the San Francisco Family.

To report on these events gives you, I hope, some degree of vicarious experience with our Family in Japan. However, almost more important than what happened is how it happened! Our Japanese brothers and sisters made a deep and lasting impression on us because of their absolute dedication to Father and our True Parents. Working sacrificially and with utter conviction that Father would lead them to success, they achieved such great financial and political results. From morning to late evening they sold flowers and solicited for funds to support their anti-communist work and were able to sponsor a huge international conference (WACL) in the grandest facility available in Japan. They gained key positions of responsibility as WACL officers for the coming year, again on faith, as many of them have little experience in this area. Their spiritual life — prayer, worship, witnessing, teaching, raising, and all other aspects of center life in general — is disciplined and centered strongly on their local and national leaders, as they regard each leader as the representative of our Master. Their attitude of obedience and loyalty, because it springs from a genuine desire to love, serve and accomplish, brings an atmosphere of power, unity and freedom rather than restraint.

We took in a great deal of information while in Japan and, more important, we saw a quality and depth of commitment which doesn't yet exist in America. We hope that we may bring back this attitude to America.

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Arrival in Korea

Farley Jones

Greetings to everyone from our spiritual homeland! We arrived here via flight from Japan. We will be sending a report every few days from here, from various American members. We are now living in the dormitory that was built for the factory workers. It is very crowded, but we are still quite comfortable. This dormitory and factory are part of a large compound that our Family has built and is building for the economic and anti-communist work. At the present time there are four buildings: the factory, this dorm, another dorm, the large lecture hall and the dining hall. Also, the Korean Family is working night and day on another building which has to be finished by October 25, when the first group of 8,000 trainees from Seoul will come. In our free time our members have joined in and worked on this building with a real sense of privilege. Korean members work long hours and all night the light bulbs burn, as different members continue the work. Our Leader visits here every day to inspire the workers.

In the anti-communist training, great things are being done. A total of about 14,000 people from Seoul and the surrounding Kywagi Province are scheduled to be trained. About 3,500 have already come. The government of Korea has recognized the real value of our anti-communist theory and training, and all these people are coming through the government's assignation. But there is still controversy, and our Master says the government can't decide whether to grasp our hand or not.

I think we have all been truly inspired by our Leader's talks. He has talked with us every day since we came, because he visits here every day. This morning we got up at 6:00 a.m. and had a prayer meeting at 6:30. During that, he came. The first day, he came in the late afternoon and took us for a short hike to show us some land he has bought to build a university. We hiked there through rice fields to a small hill, where we all watched the sun go down, and he talked mostly about financial matters. He has many expenses and projects, but is already in debt. The Korean Family has little money. We must do more in America.

He has also discussed the Blessings. In the European Family there are two couples being married who at this point don't share a common language: one Englishman and an Austrian girl (Alex Herzer and Elizabeth Werner) and one Frenchman and a German girl (Henri Blanchard and Hilde Maurhofer). Our Master particularly cherishes these marriages and is concerned about them. Also, we had a most valuable talk on Cain-Abel and sacrifice. He explained that Abel is loved by God in order that he might bring the blessing to Cain. Abels are used as sacrifices for Cain. He has been Abel and Korea Cain.

Because he has sacrificed himself totally (he has never built himself a house; he has never built a church or headquarters) then Cain is about to unite with him; i.e., Korea is about to recognize our movement.

He has discussed many topics. He is really concerned that America fulfill her role. As he talked, I think we all were moved by the scope and depth of his concern, and the amazing extent of his responsibility. At one point, he said that if things go properly, by 1980 the world can be a wonderful place in which to live.

Now it is late. Love from everyone here to all there.

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Continuing in Korea

Betsy Jones

Greetings to each of you from our spiritual homeland. Korea is such a poor country, which has suffered so much. We can really feel why God feels so close to these people and to this land. It's only by being here that we can begin to appreciate what our Parents and Family here suffered for us. We feel so grateful to be here we want to share part of each precious day with you. Farley told you of our first three days, so I'll continue from day 4, October 5 to October 7.

During the days, we've been hearing either the Principle lectured by Mr. Kim or anti-communist lectures by Mr. Ahn. Both areas are deepening because of these lectures. Mr. Kim speaks English and uses many examples to make his points. He said it usually takes eight hours (four lectures, two hours each) to teach the Principle of Creation. They really go into depth. Both he and our Leader stressed the idea that God's perfect love cannot be fully expressed until we are perfect. They said we receive the blessing at the top of the growth stage or in the position of Adam and Eve before the fall. Then we must work for seven years to make a harmonious family unit, and then God can share with us His full blessing of perfect love. Our Leader in his talks with us often said that it is not easy, and that in fact he had to struggle much so that he and Mother could reach the top of the perfection stage together in 1967.

In Japan we were struck by the lives of sacrifice that so many individuals lead. In Korea we can see the level of sacrifice expanded to the family level. Instead of individuals, we see husbands and wives with babies strapped to their backs pitching in with whatever needs to be done. The other night we had fellowship with several local church members. The room was filled with women and babies mostly, as the men were still

digging the foundation for a new building late into the night. We sang and prayed together. We were all moved by their quiet depth.

Tonight we are preparing for our Japanese Family's coming tomorrow. It should be something to behold. Already we've experienced so much through getting to know the hearts of our European brothers and sisters. Each couple represents so much of Father's concern and desire.

We visited the U.S. Information Service yesterday to find out about televising the wedding. They do not do satellite work, but seem interested in broadcasting the wedding via radio — Voice of America.

It's October 10 now, and the Japanese Family are all here. They travelled all night and arrived early this morning. Our Leader, Mother and Mrs. Choi met them at the station at 5:00 a.m. We spent a wonderful day with our Parents yesterday. We went on a picnic; going by bus and eventually by boat to an area on the side of a lake surrounded by mountains. We talked, laughed and sang with and to our Parents. Sometimes after we would get up and sing as couples, our Leader would say, "Now tell us why you like him or her," or "How did you decide to marry him or her?" Sometimes he and/or Mother would make comments about certain complementary features of the couples. It was such an experience of Father's deep concern for each of us through them. Hugh can tell you about it more in detail, so I'll stop here.

We hope and pray that each of you are growing and experiencing in new ways. This experience is really helping us to open our eyes and hearts to the highest standard of truth and life that is available to all of us now. Love to each one.

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A Picnic with the Master

Hugh Spurgin

On Friday, October 9, our Master took us on a picnic to a beautiful lake in Chung Pyung north of Seoul, where he has purchased 450 acres of land. Chung Pyung is a picturesque retreat area in the midst of the mountains; it is an excellent location for worship of our Heavenly Father and enjoyment of life.

It was a meaningful experience to enjoy with our Master the tranquil beauty of the lake, to talk with him, and to sing with him. We also went boating on the lake and some of us climbed one of the mountains.

Our Leader said that it is at Chung Pyung that he will establish the international training center and that it will be the spiritual core of the whole world. He intends to divide the land into blocks, with one block for each nation. He also spoke to us in detail about our marriages.

Saturday three people spoke to us: Mr. Choi, the director of anti-communist training in Seoul; Mr. Lee, a pastor of one of the local churches; and Mr. Ahn, director of all anti-communist activities in Korea and one of the famous lectures on the Divine Principle and anti-communism. Mr. Choi presented an excellent talk on the differences in human value in democratic and communist societies. He explained that a basic desire of all men is to seek value and to leave value when he leaves this life. The communist system destroys a man's ability to create value. Every man wants to leave something of value when he departs from this world, but in the communist world there is no way for him to fulfill the purpose of his life.

Pastor Lee spoke to us on how to share the heart of our Father by sharing the hardships of the most suffering member of our local groups. He said it is not enough to witness and teach, fast and pray. We must raise people with the Father's heart in order to resurrect ourselves. Prayer and fasting are external conditions of indemnity. The most essential form of indemnity is that of heart — sentiment and feeling. Mr. Lee also told us about churches in Seoul. He said there are 32 regions in Seoul and within each region there are districts. It is within the district churches that pioneering work of witnessing and lecturing takes place, and it is at the regional headquarters where advanced training sessions are held.

Mr. Ahn has spoken to us often during the past few days. Saturday he spoke for only a short time, explaining why there are no thieves, beggars, gangsters, unemployment or demonstrations in North Korea. He also spoke once again about the guerrilla war tactics of Mao Tse Tung.

Sunday morning Mr. Ahn gave us his testimony and spoke to us about the Leader. Mr. Ahn is a very scholarly man. By the time he met the Divine Principle, he had read extensively in many fields. The books that had most influenced him were Marx's books, the Bible, Swedenborg's writings, and Toynbee's History of Civilization; in that order his thinking had progressed. Particularly interesting is that Miss Kim was one of his professors at Central Seminary. She had taught there for one semester before going to Ewha University. In November 1954 Mr. Ahn heard the Principle. Four things impressed him:

- a. that the conclusion of all truth existed on earth
- b. that he had met the Messiah
- c. that the Leader was the Lord of Suffering
- d. that the tears of God were so great and had been revealed to our Leader.

In the afternoon, Mr. Ahn discussed and critiqued historical materialism, described the various stages of economic growth, and spoke about the roles of Korea, Japan and America in the world.

All is well here in Korea. It's been a remarkable experience to be so very close to activities in our spiritual homeland and to our True Parents. We're all overflowing with the experiences we have had and are ready to apply the ideas to the American movement. We've learned so much that it is difficult to describe everything in a few short letters. Our prayers are with you.

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More Inspiring Give and Take in Korea

Nora Spurgin

Greetings from Korea! Everything is going well. By Monday morning, October 12, we were informed that 226 Japanese couples had been matched the day before. While we were listening to anti-communist lectures we heard frequent clapping in the building next door, indicating that another couple had been matched. It was quite a phenomenon. Most impressive was the absolute faith the Japanese youth have in our Leader and Father. Surely this faith can also carry them through many challenges. On Monday morning Mr. Choi continued the anti-communist lectures, stressing that we are in a most unique war in that it is a war of ideologies. Marx wanted to overthrow the existing ideology, Christianity, and educate the laborers to a new ideology. Therefore, without the Ideal of Creation there is no way to refute marxist materialism.

In the afternoon Mr. Ahn also gave a lecture on anti-communist theory.

Some of us were interviewed by pressmen (Korean) regarding the mass wedding ceremony and our participation in it.

On Tuesday we began giving center reports to the Western group. We will be hearing reports of center activities from each center and country represented here. This is an excellent and probably once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for us to get together; so we want to use this time to its fullest, both to learn about Korea, and about the European movement.

After practicing the songs we will sing (as a group) at the reception, we listened to Mr. Kim (President of H.S.A.) present chapter 2 of the Principle. His outline is similar to ours, with greater detail. Mr. Ahn completed our day with another anti-communist lecture, presenting five different views of history, the last of which is the Divine Principle. In the late evening we "carolled" outside our Leader's window. Our Leader, Mother and Mrs. Choi came out and joined us. They sat on a low table and we sat at their feet and talked and sang in the moon-light.

October 14 was a very special day, for today we celebrated our Leader's release from prison 20 years ago. To do so, we joined the Japanese and Korean Families on the mountainside, where our Leader spoke to us. It made me think of Jesus giving the Sermon on the Mount — such a beautiful sight. A visit to the Korean CIA was scheduled for us in the afternoon. We were given a guided tour through exhibitions of North Korean culture and history; a briefing on statistics about present North Korea; a movie on North Korea; and discussion (questions and answers) with a spy who had defected from North Korea.

In the evening we had a meeting with Miss Kim to plan "public relations strategy." We plan to visit the American Embassy and invite the Ambassador to the wedding. We will also visit newspaper offices and be on a morning TV show in Seoul on the 19th. It is very important that this event becomes well known in Korea, especially emphasizing the truth of the Principle.

We are much inspired by this trip and are all eager to begin applying our new knowledge when we return.

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Preparing for the Blessing

Farley Jones

This is Sunday the 18th. I think you must have had the candlelight ceremony last night. I hope it went well. There has been quite a lot of publicity here. We have been interviewed by several newspapers, and today we were on national TV. Tomorrow we will also be on TV. We sang Arirong and another Korean song as a group. Jack and Gladys and Bonnie sang one of their songs called "A New Tomorrow." Also there were some brief interviews. The history of our church here is one of controversy, so today we were not allowed to mention Unification Church. Nevertheless, I am sure people knew. One of the main purposes of bringing everyone to Korea is to create a favorable environment for our Leader to work in. That is apparently being accomplished. The work here is slow, deep and steady. Please give our love to everyone there. We are looking forward to seeing you all.

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With the passing of time, which Shamanism was reaching its peak, the Korean people began to develop their ethical standards which provided a sound basis for a higher religious growth later. These ethical traits are clearly distinguishable from those of China and Japan. These traits are sometimes referred to as Shinkyo, or a kind of Deism, which signifies one god. The Korean Deists hold a personal view of sin and punishment, and this is the basis of their ethics. Clearly there is much in common here with Christianity.

The veneration shown to ancestors is a conspicuous example of the religious trend, and so is the use of the Korean word "Hananim," which means "the One Heavenly Lord" or "Almighty."

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TESTIMONIES

Paris, France

Paul Bullen

Dear Family: I send you all my love, and I would like to introduce myself to you.

I was born in 1953 of English parents in Durban, South Africa. When I was three years old my family moved to Vancouver, Canada, where I was brought up as an atheist in a relatively liberal atmosphere. My father is a university professor of mathematics. Because of my physical weakness and abnormal behaviour as a child, I became a good object for bullies and I developed a dislike for injustice. In elementary school I became interested in morality, politics, and the "faults" of religion. I became a socialist at 12 and later helped with political campaigns and peace marches. By the age of 16, I was taking drugs and having what I now know are spiritual experiences. My thinking became deeper and my imagination larger. I realized indirectly that the possibilities for spiritual joy and variety are infinite. Another time, I realized that love is the strongest energy in the universe and that with it, the answer to all problems can be found. Although Satan often uses drugs for his purpose, for me it was a preparation.

My family was going to spend a year in France, and during my voyage (via New York and England), I received more spiritual food. In France I started reading certain Oriental spiritual books. By this time, I had accepted that we were in the Age of Aquarius — the age of higher consciousness, and that some sort of "end of the world" would come between 1976 and 1980. I wanted to prepare spiritually for this, and I started disciplining myself.

Around Christmas, when I came home one day, I saw on the side-board a "Pioneers of the New Age" (Tong-il) invitation with an oriental symbol on it. It read: "A new age ... for mankind has already started" It also said that a lecture would be given on January 16, 1970. So I waited and I went. After being invited to the Center, I started coming as often as possible — three times a week, to learn Divine Principle from Barbara. Two months later, I moved into the Center, where I could get deeper in Principle and devote all my time to the restoration.

It is fantastic that we have the luck to live at the same time as the one and only Christ and to be able to serve him. It is fantastic that after

all the millions and millions of books that have been written, we have the one that explains everything. I have dedicated myself and all that is under my influence to help Father and His Son install the New World.

On August 13, I left for North America and I visited several Family centers during twenty-one days. Then I returned to Vancouver to finish my last year of high school and to work as much as possible to destroy Satan and bring joy to our Father's heart.

I send my love to the Korean Family and my humble thanks to our True Parents.

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St. Louis, Mo.

Julia J. Sheppard

I was born in Opelousas, Louisiana, and was the fourth of six children. My racial background is French-Creole, and the members of my family are staunch Catholics. When I was about four years old, my family moved to St. Louis, Missouri, where I received my religious training. At that time, there were only a few black Catholics in St. Louis. As a child, I was serious and spiritual, and I desired to please God. My religion was my life. I also liked to dance and sing.

I attended a Catholic high school and had a religious vocation to enter the convent after graduation. My sister also had a vocation and did enter the convent. I could not enter because it was too expensive for me.

Shortly afterward, I married a high school classmate. I wanted my marriage to be the best marriage possible. However, as each year passed and each child was born, my marriage became more unbearable. After twenty-one years, and seven children, my marriage ended with a divorce.

Throughout my marriage I was anguished and heartsick. I prayed, but felt that I couldn't reach God. I felt that love was missing from my life. I had no one to care for and no one to care for me.

On September 18, 1969, I was hired to work in St. Louis' anti-poverty program. The first day, I was introduced to Carole T. Johnson. We didn't say much, but we liked each other immediately. About a month later, I was assigned to work in Carole's district. She told me that she had to teach a spiritual message at the St. Louis Center the following evening. I just had to hear this message! I told Carole that I was searching for something and maybe this was it. During the next few weeks, while I was working with Carole, I heard the entire Principle. Carole

taught me the conclusion and I was able to accept it. But I didn't join immediately because I wanted to know what the obligations were. On April 7, 1970, I officially became a member of the Unified Family.

The Divine Principle has given me new life, new hope, and new inspiration to serve Father with a total commitment for the rest of my life. I love the Family, and I am grateful to Father and to our True Parents. I pray for the St. Louis mission and for Father's mission everywhere. In our True Parent's name.

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