

WestRock Family News

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Motto of the year:

Era of the Victory, Liberation, and Completion of the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind

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Weekly Greeting

Dear Brothers and Sisters

I pray that you are well and filled with inspiration!

I was inspired by 3 things this past week.

We had a beautiful 1 Year memorial service for True Father at Belvedere for our ACLC and Ambassador for Peace contacts. Rev Dennis Dillon gave an incredible testimony – stating that Rev Moon’s work will continue on through each of us, concluding with the proclamation “I am Rev Sun Myung Moon!” And Justin Okamoto gave a powerful testimony to the love of our True Parents, the Blessing they gave to him and his spouse, and True Father’s faith in each of us. He shared how, whenever he felt down, he would pray – and Father’s voice would come to him in Korean, “You can do it!”

Another point that inspired me about the event was the support and offering of all our brothers and sisters. Debby Grodner and Mr. Sano heading up the food, Julia Okamoto, Rev Grodner and Beryl Green heading up mobilization, Dominic Barber on sound and projection, and Steve Honey and Jonathan Gullery who came during their lunch breaks to perform “Blessing of Gory.” And many others who helped, thank you to all of you!

Susan Bouachri gave a sermon at Belvedere that challenged us all in a good way. She gave us homework – to create a 2 min elevator speech. The time has come, we all need to be able to share the great news we have been given with the world (or at least a piece of it in a 2 min speech). And you can’t do that if you aren’t prepared. I am really looking forward to hearing everyone’s “elevator speech.” I think it is going to be a great stimulus for us to witness.

Finally, David Rowland, a new member in WestRock – is so inspired by the Divine Principle, he wants to become a lecturer. And so he prepared a presentation on the 3 Blessings which he presented to me. Wow! It was very fresh, sincere and inspiring. I think he is going to create a great elevator speech!

Later this week (Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday) I will be going to Chicago to meet with Bishop Ki Oon Kim, Dr. Balcomb, and the other District Pastors. We will be learning about the future governance of our movement in America and how we can best fulfill True Mother’s directions. Please pray for us!

Thank you, and let’s make this a great week!

God Bless You

Andrew Compton

Sermon

The sermon this past Sunday at Belvedere, was given by Susan Bouachri, you can listen to it at this link:

soundcloud.com/pastor-andrew/sermon-susan-bouachri-sept-8

Light Thought for the Day:

Nice Try

My husband's uncle thought he had conquered his problem of trying to remember his wife's birthday and, also, their anniversary. He opened an account with a florist, provided that florist with the dates and instructions to send flowers to his wife on these dates along with an appropriate note signed, "Your loving husband."

His wife was thrilled by this new display of attention and all went well until one day when he came home he saw a bouquet, kissed his wife and said offhandedly, "Nice flowers, honey. Where'd you get them?"

Testimonies/reports

If you have a testimony or report to share please send it to me.

Providential News

True Mother is somewhere special.

The 20-20 Providence has begun! WestRock and Upstate have been paired with the Solomon Islands and Italy. Metro NY and Long Is have been paired with Nepal and Israel.

Dong Woo Kim, representing the Solomon Islands will be visiting the WestRock community on Sunday Sept 22

Quote for the Week

Don't go around saying the world owes you a living. The world owes you nothing. It was here first.

Mark Twain

It usually takes me more than three weeks to prepare a good impromptu speech.

Mark Twain

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Outreach

WFWP Lunch & Learn: Sunday Oct. 13 @ 12 noon at the White House. "Unwanted Same Sex Attraction" The event will feature Arthur Goldberg, a compassionate and knowledgeable speaker and founder of JONAH, Jews Offering New Alternatives to Homosexuality. Mr. Goldberg has decades of experience successfully counseling those who want to heal from unwanted same sex attraction. He has much knowledge about the causes of homosexuality that is rarely heard in the media today. For more information please call Lynn Walsh: 914-909-6527. Please watch the documentary on the subject: vimeo.com/71799175

Open DP/Bible Discussion: Mondays & Fridays - 7:30PM at Whitehouse each week!

Witnessing Cards are still available after Sunday Service & at White House anytime. They're easy to use & a great help for outreach! Free!

Community

Celebrating God's Creation!

Open Air Sunday Service

**Great Message, Great Music. Pot Luck/BBQ
Lunch & Recreation**

Sunday Sept. 15 (starts @ 10 am)

Belvedere Estate

723 S Broadway, Tarrytown, NY 10591

Everyone is welcome; Just bring a food dish

What should you bring? – it depends on your birth month:

Jan, Feb, March & April – bring vegetables or salads

May, June, July & August – bring a main dish,

Sept., Oct. Nov. & Dec – bring dessert

Retreat for Widows and Widowers: on Sept. 28, '13. It will be held in Middletown, Delaware, from 10am-7pm (Saturday).

There is a \$20 donation to provide for lunch and dinner.

If you are farther than a 2 hour drive, there is a motel close by if you want to spend the night before or after the retreat. If you would like to attend. carpool or want to discuss anything further, please contact Annie.

Special Meeting and Presentation by Mrs Eu: Sept 21 @ 7PM at Belvedere.

Sunday Service by Dong Woo Kim (2020 Nation Representative from Solomon Islands – WestRock's partner nation) Sept 22 @ 10AM at Belvedere

White House Yard Sale: Sat and Sun, Sept 21-22. Donate or sell! Contact Lydia Compton.

Prayer

Please pray for Laura Nabetani – she is in the White Plains Hospital with a blood infection.

Next Ahn Shi II: Wednesday, September 11, 2013

MAKE IT A GREAT WEEK!