

WestRock Family News

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Motto of the year:

Let us become true owners of Cheon il Guk who practice true love in resemblance to our Creator, the Heavenly Parent!

Important Happenings Around the World

TRUE MOTHER: is back in Korea

SPECIAL DAYS FOR THE FAMILY FEDERATION WORLDWIDE:

Next **Ahn Shi II** is on Thursday, Aug. 21

HERE IN AMERICA:

American program to honor the 2nd Anniversary of True Father's Seong Hwa will take place at the Manhattan Center on Saturday, September 20. More details are coming.

IN NY District:

We are planning a series of local God's Hope for America Rallies throughout the NY District. Dates and Locations to be announced.

AND IN WESTROCK:

1-Day Divine Principle Workshop: Saturday, August 23

Divine Principle Study & Discussion: held Mondays, 7:30 - 8:30pm at the White House.

The Sermon this Week

This week, at Belvedere, we had a special Sunday service at the Belvedere Holy Rock, similar to what took place on the Holy Ground Tour – Rob Kitchens and Jonathan Gullery led us in songs, Kimiyo Matthews, Jeremy Kitchens, and Jonathan Gullery shared testimonies, Susan Bouachri gave us an inspirational message and we closed with unison prayer and 4 cheers of Okmansie led by Mr. Takashi Kagawa. That was followed by action steps – on Blessing presented by Debby Gullery, on Witnessing presented by Julia Okamoto, and on prayer, presented by Lydia Compton. All of this was concluded with a BBQ lunch.

Pastor's Weekly Greeting

Greetings everyone!

Thank you for your great faith and for keeping God's dream alive this past week.

I am sure you must feel the pain of our nation as it goes through the ongoing turmoil in Ferguson MO. It is clear that we have a ways to go to heal our racial problems that go all the way back to the 1600s when the first slaves were sold in Jamestown.

I feel that I, as a member of a blessed-central family, need to pray deeply about this – and ask our Heavenly Parent, "what can I do to help?"

In terms of the long term solution, we all know True Father's belief that this kind of problem can only be solved through the inter-racial blessing. That means we need to put more effort into fulfilling True Mother's core directions – which Dr Balcomb expressed at the end of the God's Hope for America Tour.

1) develop our Blessing activity (Debby Gullery is going to help us plan an educational program for members and guests)

each give out invitation cards – asking people to visit our website)

3) to continue making a sincere offering of prayer (members are invited to pray at the Belvedere Holy Rock every Sunday at 9:30 am and at the Central Park Holy Ground every Tuesday at 7 am. (Rev Compton has space in his car – leaving the White House at 6:10 am)

God Bless You and your Family!
Let's make it a great week!
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Prayer Requests

Laura Nabetani is now at home – and doing better. Thank you all for your prayers!

Jiau-Lan Weinstein (she is in Taiwan – and her situation is growing worse)

Moses Kiely – 3 years old, grandson of Michael and Maria Kiely, diagnosed with leukemia

Testimonies/Reports

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

Light Thought for the Day:

Building Permit

A Zoning Board had just been set up in a new community. A householder went to the office to request permission to build a small toolshed in his backyard.

"Have you a plan?" asked the director.

"Oh, yes," said the householder, who showed him a map of his neighborhood, the dimension of his yard, and a sketch of the shed.

"That looks fine," said the director. He pulled out a piece of paper, wrote a few words on it, made a copy of it, and said, "Here's your permission."

A month later, a neighbor in almost exactly the same situation also wanted permission for a shed in her yard. She went to see the director, got as far as a secretary, and made her request. "Thank you, Mrs. Smith," said the secretary, taking the documents. "Telephone me in two weeks and I'll let you know what the director's decision is, or what further steps are necessary."

"But," groaned Mrs. Smith, "a month ago my neighbor got permission right away."

"Oh, yes," said the secretary, "but that was before we finally got organized."

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Outreach

1-Day Divine Principle Workshop: Saturday, August 23, 9:30 am to 4:30 pm at the White House in Tarrytown. Fee is \$20

DP Study & Discussion at the White House: Monday evenings 7:30 PM.

Community

Workshop at the White House. It is especially for young adults, but all are welcome. Mr. Servito has given this content of Divine Principle to many young people for many years, making it far from dry, but interesting and enjoyable! Details to come but save the date.

The Second Annual Eric Holt Memorial Golf Outing will be held on Sunday, Aug 31 at the Rockland Lake NY Golf Course following Sunday Service at Belvedere. Eric was an avid golfer and this was his favorite golf venue. Those interested in participating should contact Noah Ross.

Signatures for the apology campaign for True Father's wrongful imprisonment are being collected. If you have not signed yet, please consider signing a petition after service.

Special Offering for the 2nd Anniversary of True Father's Seonghwa Each individual and family is asked to donate \$120 and \$210 respectively. In addition, members are asked to make a 2nd offering (of the same amount) to support the American celebration which will take place on Sept 20 at the Manhattan Center. Donations should be made out to HSA-UWC. Thank you!

Other

I am looking for volunteers to help Ken Weinstein do some painting at his home. If you can help (sometime in the first week of September) please contact me (Rev Compton)

Make it a Great Week!