

7.8 Day ~ Chil Pal Jeol: The Declaration of the Realm of the Cosmic Sabbath for the Parents of Heaven and Earth

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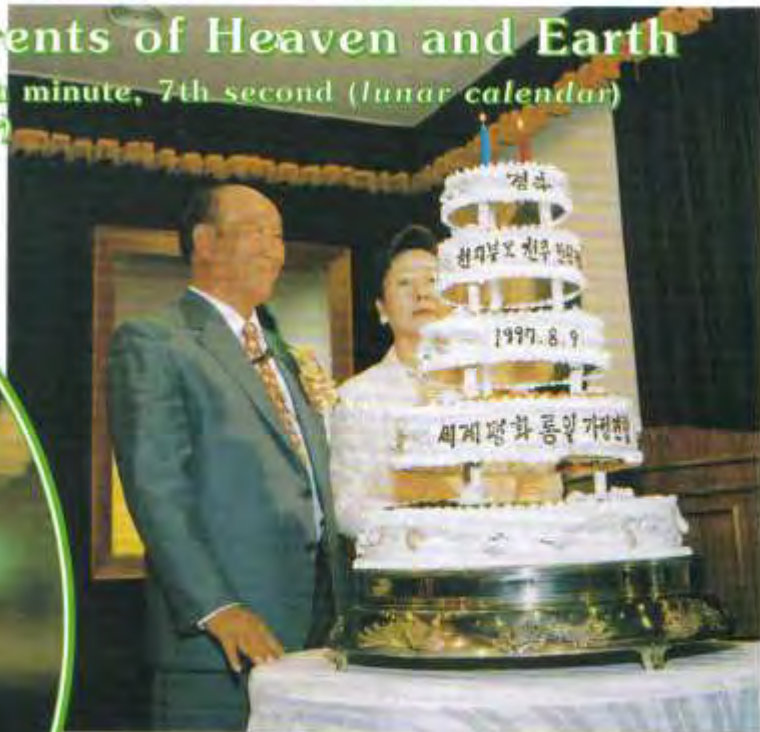
God taking rest on the Sabbath Day

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Declaration of the Realm of the Cosmic Sabbath for the Parents of Heaven and Earth

July 7, 7th month, 7th hour, 7th minute, 7th second (lunar calendar)
August 9, 1997 (solar calendar)



True Parents celebrate the occasion with the traditional cake.



Father explains that at last God can rest in a nation, the world and the cosmos. August 9, 1997. (Photos: Korean Cultural Department.)

BENEDICTION AT THE DECLARATION OF THE REALM OF COSMIC SABBATH FOR PARENTS OF HEAVEN AND EARTH



BLOVED Father! Today, 1997, July 7, 7 hours, 7 minutes and 7 seconds, centering on the 3.6 Million Couples Blessing, we have accomplished this year's

motto, "Let Us Be Proud of True Parents and Love True Parents by Accomplishing the 3.6 Million Couples Blessing."

How hard You have struggled and borne the heart of *han!* As Your children, True Parents, we are here with Your other children not knowing Your heart in this historical age. In the meantime, you sent True Parents to the earth so we could build the foundation where mankind could speak out Your heart and be educated about Your internal situation. Through that foundation, we came to know the sad history that since Adam and Eve fell as teenagers and their family was broken down by Satan's scheme, humankind has been linked to fallen Adam's family and Satan's lineage instead of to God's lineage.

Therefore, until now, history has kept the lineage of the realm of the archangel and the lineage of Satan. When we think about founding the realm of religion in order to establish the history of the new archangel's position in the Kingdom of Heaven, we know that the providence of individual restoration is the history of regaining the elder sonship from the realm of the archangel.

THE AGE OF THE SECOND ADVENT

We thank You for this great time when we are facing the age of the Second Advent, the center of the worldwide salvation through the Old Testament, New Testament, and Completed Testament eras. Now we can fix the problems of family breakdown and corrupted juvenile ethics originally caused by Adam's fall.

In 1945, at the end of World War II, Christianity and the allied nations, which had the mission of a bride to welcome the Lord of the Second Advent, failed their responsibility as the bride. This loss of the world-level nation, an Abel nation, and Eve nation of Adam's family, which carried the victorious hegemony in the world-level providence, created greater pain and suffering than the loss of a family in the Garden of Eden.

If Christianity had received the Second Coming of Christ centering on the allied nations, we could have held a historic worldwide Mass Blessing Ceremony so that humankind could have been liberated through the Blessing by linking with the lineage of True Parents after uniting the *han* of Jesus, (whose

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mind and body were separated by Satan) and prepared a united world centered on Christian culture. At that time, by working with 800 million Christians, God's desire to establish the Kingdom of Heaven on earth would have been completed within seven years, by 1952.

Christian culture, however, rejected its bridal responsibility of receiving the Lord of the Second Advent. As Adam's family turned over the fallen world to Satan during the fruitful growth period, Christianity and an Eve nation in the bridal role failed their responsibility and gave the victorious foundation at the worldwide level over to Satan all at once. As a result, fallen grief exists on the earth once again.

TRUE FATHER'S WILDERNESS PATH

We are reminded of the sad history in which True Father alone had to walk the wilderness path. The *han* that Adam's family left on heaven and earth could not be compared to True Father's path. True Father's path was a time of deeper sadness than the course of Jesus, who could not unite people based on his family.

Yet, I realized that it was Your desire to end Satan's lineage by liberating mankind centered on the ideology of a world family which would indemnify all of history. Also, I realized Your will which was to look for a place of rest and freedom in heaven and on earth.

Father, You have been yearning for a millennial world during seven millennia of history. I know how hard and significant that is! You tried to maintain the standard of Your wish by having Christianity observe the Sabbath on the seventh day.

Because all these tasks were not completed, I know that You have been sitting alone on Your throne in heaven and enduring the unbearable history of the realm of Satan like a prisoner. I found Your Fatherly heart that no one ever knew. You had to forget the situation that You could not forget. You had to re-create the condition into which You could not pour out Yourself, and You had to love those people whom You could not love. In spite of sadness and even death, I pioneered the path in which I could console Your heart, and I endured persecution to prevail over the hill of forty years with the determination to face any kind of deadly path, Father.

FORTY YEAR PATH OF RESTORATION

The fatherland, which should be the central nation of all nations centered on the unified world of North and South, and the whole culture of East and West were lost. Even the clan which You prepared to complete the Blessing was lost, too. Unification Church members understand that I have had to walk the path of restoration for forty years. There has been

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fighting between the democratic world and the communist world because all the descendants of the clan which was to become the clan of heaven faced the situation of division.

I understand that these forty years represent the 4,000 years of providential history. Yet no one has known Your painful sadness that for forty years True Parents have been persecuted by sovereign nations of the Satanic world that once used to persecute Christianity and Christians, as well as other religions and their people. These forces opposed Your will to comprehend the world.

All alone, all alone, all by Yourself. According to the directions given by You, who pioneered the path, I have fought and conquered the hills of persecution for forty years. This has been the battleground to declare Your individual resting place as well as the resting place for a couple, a family, a tribe, a nation, the world, and the cosmos. This place has been the ideal free environment of creation that You can call Your domain of freedom. Now it is completed, Father. Now, centering on True Parents, we are making the amazing declaration of the realm of the cosmic Sabbath.

Your son, Sun Myung Moon, who has lost the dream of his youth, of his 20's and 30's, while inheriting and tolerating the big heart of Heavenly Father, has conquered the hills of 40 years of agonizing history, while overcoming numerous failures that are filled with insults and bitterness.

As a result, the 3.6 million couples Blessing has been successfully completed. In place of Adam's family, these families on the world level can receive the Blessing at once that Adam's family failed to get. The realm of the Sabbath, where billions of people enter the realm of liberation, can evolve to both the Kingdom of Heaven in heaven and on earth. I thank You for that.

The elder sonship had to be restored first, then parentship and kingship had to be restored. Father, I thank You for the completion of 3.6 million couples Blessing that breaks beyond the limit of three stages.

The elder sonship on a family level can be sustained on earth. The right of a family on a national level and a cosmic level can be sustained on earth as well. Therefore, because this is the time for receiving the age of kingship centering on a family, from today the real liberation can be declared. This is the Sabbath for God, who has not been able to rest in a family. Again, I sincerely thank You for that.

Today, it is 1997, July 7, 7 hours, 7 minutes, and 7 seconds. Also, Your son, Sun Myung Moon, is at the age of 77. These eight occurrences of the number seven signify that the number seven can connect to the number eight, becoming the Sabbath and the day of a new start, transcending the numbers seven and eight. All this is connected with the number seven. Now all Unification members, centering on a family which inherits the tradition, heart, and authority of heaven, can attend God. Now God can rest in a nation, the world, and the cosmos. We are facing the victorious time when the kingship of the Kingdom of Heaven on earth and in heaven are established at the same time. The foundation of the Sabbath where God and True Parents can travel freely expands from the family level to the cosmic level.

For this great work to be done, Mother, who can represent

Eve's nation, had to come to the United States of America, which is the Archangel's nation, and to the United Nations to promote the fortune of unification, so that she can spread this fortune over the divided Korea, where the base camp for the liberation of the family can be founded to represent the liberation of people. Thanks to Your guidance and protection, True Mother could make three speaking tours during which she poured forth the words of True Parents. True Mother has opened up the Blessing for high-ranking officials by giving speeches in 16 places. Transcending the number 16, the Blessing that occurred vertically has become holier than ever.

True Mother has been welcomed in all her speaking tours by guests who represent women of all nations centering on women of the North and South. Today is a day of declaration based on these speeches. Tomorrow we will have another Blessing to declare the victorious realm of heaven in front of high-ranking Korean officials who represent the essential central figures and representatives of sovereign nations of the world. It means that we are entering the age of kingship on a family level. We attribute this Blessing, which the Unification Church received as the number one family Blessing team, to Your hard working path. If it was not for You, Korea would have no place to exist. But as You and True Mother are working together, we are having this great opportunity, and I am very grateful, Father.

A thousand thanks to You, Father, for having been able to complete both the foundation of the victorious 40 years and the Declaration of the Realm of Cosmic Sabbath for Parents of Heaven and Earth at the same time. ♪

As the foundation of the Sabbath of the age of kingship on a family level, national level, worldwide level, and cosmic level are established on earth, Your will is facing the time when this country is called as the center of God's providence of salvation, liberating the world, and bringing the world of love. Please gladly remember this.

Now I am offering the path that Your son has walked on with tears and then declaring this to be an anniversary date. Please allow me to do so. From this moment on, I am declaring the age of liberation. As You have wished to act on the whole body in its totality, with all authority and everything, please fulfill Your wishes. Please claim the realm of liberation of mankind. I sincerely wish and ask for Your Blessing to move on to the liberating Kingdom of Heaven.

Now, it is the day and the time to stop the tears of sadness and to remove all the shed tears and all the tear stains from True Parents' family. I sincerely wish that You will receive this declaration of liberation in the name of True Parents. May You realize Your wish to have prestige to travel freely among Your beloved children, countries, world, and the cosmos. May the families of True Parents who work for Your liberation be able to travel around the world freely and come back home without any trouble.

So please accept this time of Declaration of the Realm of Cosmic Sabbath for the Parents of Heaven and Earth! Please declare it over heaven and earth! Raise high and wave the victorious flag of world unification in heaven and earth! I declare this day in True Parents' name! Amen! Amen! Amen!!!

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On August 21, 1997, Julian Gray sent out unofficial and slightly edited notes written by one participant who attended the August 9th -- August 11th Leaders' Conference in 1997

August 9th - solar (July 7th - lunar) 1997 was the Day of Declaration of "The Realm of the Cosmic Sabbath for the Parents of Heaven and Earth"

[excerpt from the participant's report about what took place August 9th:]

At the Kuri Training Center outside Seoul, at seven seconds past seven minutes past seven on the seventh day of the seventh month of 1997, True Father prayed to offer up the victory of meeting the 3.6 million pre-blessing goal, and creating a new holy day.

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Throughout his prayer, True Father was overcome with tears. Afterward, he told Chung Hwan Kwak that he was crying so deeply that it completely overwhelmed his mind. All the participants (whom True Father estimated were 7,000 in all, representing the whole world) were moved by the great emotion True Father showed in his prayer. Clearly this was no ordinary occasion, but one of cosmic moment. True Father also said later that this was the most important proclamation he had ever made.

The content of his prayer was summarized by a translator later: Christianity should have embraced True Father in 1945. Because they did not, he had to go the seven-year course to indemnify their failure, and then restore all things through all levels in the 40-year course. Now, through the victory of the 3.6 million couples, we have the national foundation to protect the tribe, family, couple and individual, for the first time in history. Thus it is now possible to declare the realization of the cosmic realm of rest for the True Parents. The goal was achieved through the cooperation of the spirit world and the angelic world. Now we can go ahead to achieve the blessing of 36 million and 360 million couples, and thus the whole world, liberating all families in the world from Satan. This is a day of thanks and celebration, and the declaration of victory.

After the prayer, the ceremonies of a holy day were performed, with bows, the recitation of the pledge, the prayer of True Parents and the cutting of a cake.

At 10:00 am, True Parents returned and True Father delivered a speech in which he explained the significance of the day and the proclamation. Unofficial notes from the simultaneous translation of Lynne Kim follow.

Excerpts from True Father's message of the 7th Day of the 7th Month 1997 lunar (August 9, 1997 solar):

In the past, there were no families in the spirit world. Now, through the blessing, we are making families that can continue in the spirit world. There is no place that cannot receive the blessing now. Stop hiding. Go to the leaders and ministers of your country and tell them this is the way to reverse the fall. Ours is a religion for families, not individuals. Thus it is of benefit to society as a whole.

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Heaven is empty. We need to fill Heaven with families. Through the fulfillment of conditions on earth, God should be able to move back and forth between heaven and earth, without facing barriers.

This is the day on which God and True Parents can rest. The conditions to create a realm of rest for God are accomplished in eight stages: individual, couple, family, tribe/ancestors, nation, world, cosmos and God. True Parents have accomplished this, but all families must achieve it through restoration.

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The ideal of the realm of rest for us is to have the peace to be able to have the wife at home and to be able to spend time with her, to be able to relax and enjoy all things together. There will be unchanging heaven and earth in peace. If you want, you will be able to sleep during the day. You will be able to be like a flower, living in harmony with your surroundings.

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Even if you die for your mission, your children and grandchildren will follow you and bring it to completion. If we die on the way to God, we will be in His eternal embrace.

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I have a foundation which is frightening, enabling me to proclaim God's rest.

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Parents have to make the way for God to come into the family. No people are that way yet. You are all failures. You must make a place for God to rest in your couple.

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The collapse of the contemporary world has occurred to open the way for the spread of the foundation of the new messiah. Once the new foundation is made, God will be able to come and go freely, to individuals, families, tribes, nations, the world and cosmos. Get the 3.6 million couples to find ten couples each and we will reach 36 million. Get people in your lineage to do likewise.

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I have cried a lot because you have not followed the way of God.

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Excerpts from True Father's message August 11, 1997 solar

The proclamation of cosmic rest is a good condition. All have to bow their heads in front of it, including God. You can go to heaven if you are grateful all the time. I cannot deny my blood relationship with you. You can do what I ask, and go where I go. Members are connected to True Parents through the blessing.

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Only the Parents of Heaven and Earth should rest, because they have made all the conditions to do so.

Here's an excerpt of True Father's prayer on the 7th day of the 7th month (July) by the lunar calendar, 1997, which was sent by Dr. Tyler Hendricks to leaders in the United States on August 9, 1999:

"Today, it is the year 1997, July 7th, 7 o'clock, 7 minutes, 7 seconds. Your son, Moon Sun Myung, is age 77. These eight [recurrences] of the number seven signify that the number seven can connect to the number eight so that it becomes the time of the Sabbath and a new beginning day.

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Now all Unification members, centering on a family which inherits the tradition, heart and authority of Heaven, can attend God, can have God rest in a nation, the world and the cosmos, so that they can face the victorious time when Kingship in the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth and in Heaven are established at the same time. The Foundation of the Sabbath where God and True Parents can travel freely expands from a family level to a cosmic level."

1998

The central celebration was held in Jardim on August 28, 1998 solar

Report

<http://www.tparents.org/UNews/unws9809/Brazil-celebration.htm>

1999 3rd Observance

Photo of True Parents and a large group of brothers and sisters after a fishing trip

<http://www.tparents.org/Library/Moon/Photos/Mph-1999/TF990819.jpg>



Report of True Father's Prayers and Message

On this observance of Chil Pal Jeol, True Father proclaimed that this date in 1999 was the **Proclamation of the Day of All-transcendence, Omnipresence, Full Authority and Omnipotence**
<http://www.tparents.org/Moon-Talks/sunmyungmoon99/SM990817.htm>

2000

In Ho Joo's report after the observance

<http://www.tparents.org/moon-talks/sunmyungmoon00/SM000806.htm>



On June 18, 2000, Rev. Sun Jo Hwang reported the following:

<http://www.tparents.org/library/unification/Talks/Hwang/Hwang-000618.htm>

After the forty-year period in the wilderness from 1945 to 1985, during the seven years from 1985 to 1992, providentially, the bridegroom and the bride had to create unity. On that foundation, the providential restoration of elder sonship, parentship, and kingship could start in 1993. Therefore, the Completed Testament era began in 1993. Finally, on August 9, 1997, we had the "Proclamation of the Realm of the Cosmic Sabbath for the Parents of Heaven and Earth." Although we have many church holy days, Chil Pal (7.8) Jeol (as it is referred to in Korea) is, according to Father, the most important holy day.

Let us look at the providential changes through the history of the blessings. The nine different blessings starting from the 36-Couple Blessing to the 6500-Couple Blessing are the first stage blessings-the preparation stage. The second stage was the 30,000, the 360,000, and the 3.6 Million-Couple Blessings. Through these blessings, True Parents could restore elder sonship, parentship and kingship and proclaim the realm of safe settlement.

Before the 3.6 Million-Couple Blessing, Satan had dominion over everything. We had to pay indemnity to change anything from the satanic side to God's side. But through the 3.6 Million-Couple Blessing, True Parents could restore the right of dominion. From then on, people could be blessed without having to pay indemnity. Since God has the right of dominion, He can bless us although we are very sinful.

This is a tremendous providential change. This is a change with an essential difference from all other changes throughout human history. It was a heavenly law that people could come closer to God only through establishing indemnity conditions. This is the first time we have been able to meet God without indemnity conditions, thanks to Heaven's grace.

2001 Prayer and message DETAILED

<http://www.tparents.org/Moon-Talks/sunmyungmoon01/SunMyungMoon-010825.htm>



In Jin Nim shared detailed meaning of the occasion

<http://www.tparents.org/Moon-Talks/sunmyungmoon01/SunMyungMoon-010825.htm>

2002 Report

<http://www.tparents.org/library/unification/Talks/Hwang/Hwang-020726.htm>

2003

Rev. Sun-jo Hwang's Report

<http://www.tparents.org/Moon-Talks/sunmyungmoon99/SM990817.htm>

2004

August 22, 2004 Rally to Welcome the King of Peace

http://www.tparents.org/UNews/Unws0409/tf_rally_peace_8-22.htm



Celebration Announcement

<http://www.tparents.org/library/unification/Talks/Hwang/Hwang-040811.htm>

2005 9th Observance

<http://www.tparents.org/moon-talks/sunmyungmoon05/SunMyungMoon-050708.htm>



2006 10th Observance with photo of TF

<http://www.tparents.org/moon-talks/sunmyungmoon06/SunMyungMoon-060731.htm>



2007

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<http://www.tparents.org/Library/Unification/Talks/DaeMoNim-07/DaeMoNim-070801.jpg>



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<http://www.tparents.org/Library/unification/Talks/Kwak-07/Kwak-070801.htm>



report

<http://www.tparents.org/Library/Unification/Talks/DaeMoNim-07/DaeMoNim-070801.htm>

2008

On July 19, 2008 solar True Parents, three of their grandchildren and eight others survived a helicopter crash.



August 3, 2008



The celebration of Chil Pal Jeol in 2008 was held on August 7th solar.

Sun Myung Moon

August 27, 2008

<http://www.tparents.org/Moon-Talks/SunMyungMoon08/SunMyungMoon-080827.htm>

On August 27, 2008, the fortieth day since the helicopter accident, Father gives his own explanation of recent events and what they signify.

Ladies and gentlemen, through the Fall, Adam and Eve yielded their spiritual and physical bodies to Satan. Even though Jesus lost his physical body through the tribulation of the cross, he blazed the path of spiritual salvation for all humankind by achieving spiritual resurrection after the victory of the forty-day resurrection period. From this standpoint, this helicopter accident has tremendous providential significance. Amid an all-out attack from Satan, True Parents have obtained the complete, substantial victory, both spiritual and physical, and have enabled three generations of the True Family -- which had been lost in the history of the providence -- to be restored and firmly established without shedding a drop of blood.

On that unforgettable day, July 19, the day of the helicopter accident, rebirth was completed. On the twentieth day since the accident, August 7 (Chil Pal Jeol), resurrection was completed. Now it is the fortieth day since the accident, and as we tie this up in victory I am proclaiming the day of the perfection of eternal life. I proclaim the new day of eternal life, on which we can sing the praises of eternal liberation and complete freedom by opening up a new heaven and earth, the final ideal realm of the providence centering on God.

Now, January 13, 2013, promising a new time and new nation, is coming. Let us march on toward the day of the nation of Cheon Il Guk, the substantial kingdom of peace in which we may enjoy the eternal jubilee year by preserving God's lineage and complete blessing and attending the original God as the Father of all humankind.

2009

The 13th observance of Chil Pal Jeol took place on August 1, 2009.



Here are In Jin Nim's notes about this holy day:

<http://www.tparents.org/Moon-Talks/InJinMoon-09/InJinMoon-090731.htm>

Significance of Chil Pal Jeol

1) This Holy Day is a declaration of God's realm of Sabbath which was established on the foundation of the victory of the 3.6 million blessing, which is a global blessing ceremony of the perfection stage, and of the fact that God ushered in an era in which he can exercise his full authority. From 2007, the commemorative event for Chil Pal Jeol has been held on August 1 (solar calendar).

2) In the Bible it is recorded in chapter 2 of the book of Genesis that God created the heavens and the earth over a period of six days and rested on the seventh day. True Father emerged on the foundation of six-thousand years of the history of restoration through indemnity. He declared Chil Pal Jeol and entered into the realm of Sabbath at that moment when the number 7 (the number of rest) overlapped eight times, signifying the restoration of the number 7 at the 7th second of the 7th minute of the 7th hour in the morning of the 7th day of the 7th lunar month of the year 1997, in which True Father turned 77.

3) The realm of the Sabbath signifies a realm that transcends Satan's accusations. Consequently, an era ushering in heavenly fortune began where God was able to exercise His full authority as He should have.

4) There are three providential factors that enabled the declaration of Chil Pal Jeol. First, is the establishment of a foundation of victory of having restored the three rights (restoration of the right of the eldest son, right of the parents and kingship) centering on True Parents' family, on the foundation of having restoring these three rights on the vertical standard that was victoriously established.

Second, during his prayer for this declaration, True Father prayed "I thank You for the grace of allowing this day to be established through the emergence of a time of victory for a transnational blessing ceremony of 3.6 million couples, which can go beyond the satanic world." Through this prayer, it can be seen that as of July 15 that day, more than 3.6 million couples worldwide were secured for the blessing ceremony.

Third, on April 10, 1992 True Mother founded the Women's Federation for World Peace, ushering in an era of the liberation of women worldwide. Based on the success of her speeches delivered at the US Congress and UN Headquarters, True Parents successfully held the "Korean Leaders Convention for Practicing True Families for World Peace and Unification" held from July 22 to August 8 in 1997.

2010
20th Chil Il Jeol and 14th Chil Pal Jeol



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The two holy days Chil Il Jeol and Chil Pal Jeol were celebrated together for the first time with the beginning of the Heavenly Calendar, on the 7th day of the 7th month in the first year of the Heavenly Calendar (Monday, August 16, 2010).

<http://www.tparents.org/Moon-Talks/SunMyungMoon10/SunMyungMoon-100816.htm>
