

Unification Terminology to new guests - Heavenly Parent, Cheon Il Guk, Aju, etc.

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Heavenly Parent - We believe first and foremost that God is the heavenly parent who created human beings as His divine sons and daughters and in His likeness.

True Parents – God created the world with the ideal that all humanity could grow to become true children, true husband and wife and true parents, thereby realizing “One global family under God.” We believe that Rev. and Mrs. Sun Myung Moon embody the ideal and lineage of God. Hence, we refer to them as “True Parents.”

Cheon Il Guk – This Korean term means "one heavenly sovereignty." It is the expression we use when referring to the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth. We believe that Heaven begins with each one of us.

AJU – The word usually used to end prayers is Amen, which means “so be it.” “Aju” is a Korean term meaning, “becoming an owner”. Rev. Moon asked us to use Aju as a way of taking ownership for the prayers we offer Heaven.

Hoon Dok Hae – This is another Korean term which means, "the words of God flowing like a river". Hoon Dok Hae refers to the custom of starting each day by gathering as a family and reading and sharing God’s words.

Blessed Family – God’s ideal of creation was to create ideal families who could realize the ideal world, the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth. However, due to the Human Fall, humanity’s search for happiness has been frustrated. We believe that Rev. and Mrs. Moon were sent by God with the mission to forge an unbreakable bond between God and humanity. Families and couples that received Heaven’s benediction through a special ceremony called the “Blessing” are called, “Blessed Families.”

Prayer in the name of Blessed Families – Blessed families are couples and families have received the benediction of Heaven through the “Blessing” and are committed to realizing the ideal world, the world of “One global family under God.” Blessed families offer their prayers directly to God, the Heavenly Parent; they also pray in their names to demonstrate ownership of the prayer ‘reports’ they offer Heaven.