

TRUE PARENT'S BIRTHDAY

JANUARY 17, 2020

CELEBRATION DATE: SATURDAY JANUARY 30, 2020

True Parents, Rev. and Mrs. Moon, celebrate their mutual birthday, January 6, according to the lunar calendar. It is considered one of the five major Holy Days celebrated worldwide.

Here you will find several resources you can use in your local Church, Sunday School or Home celebration:



What is "True Parent's Birthday"

"True Parents are the parents whose lineage is woven together with God's love and life... The True Parents are the pioneers who can perfect God's love and make God into the Lord of love. Without the True Parents, God's plan to perfect love can never be fulfilled."

"True Parents, is this greater than the love between such lovers, or is it weaker than the love between such lovers? [Stronger!] Why? Because parents' love is the root love. Because the religion based on the love of True Parents is the home, the root of True Love. When you come here to the place of the True Parents you can reach down and connect with this root. Once you occupy the root, you are connected to the trunk and branches and leaves and you can be connected with all kinds of prosperity."

SIGNIFICANCE:

WE CELEBRATE THE BIRTH OF OUR FOUNDERS, WHO THROUGH UNITY WITH GOD AND THEIR ACCOMPLISHMENTS, COULD ESTABLISH GOD'S LOVE, LIFE AND LINEAGE HERE ON EARTH.

"This is a day to celebrate the Holy Birth of The True Parents, Rev. Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon who have paved the way to transform humankind from Satan's lineage to God's lineage.

If the ancestors of mankind, Adam and Eve, both reached individual perfection, became a couple, and became parents, humankind, their descendants, would have been children of God with God's love, life and lineage. However, Adam and Eve became false parents as result of the fall and humankind inherited Satan's love, life and lineage.

In order to regain what was lost by Adam and Eve, God had to lead the dispensation to where a sinless Adam was sent to the earth. That was Jesus 2000 years ago. But Jesus was crucified, and unable to realize God's ideal of creation on Earth. He promised a Second Coming and passed away.

True Father received a special revelation from God at the age of sixteen, when he was entrusted with the mission of saving humankind. As True Father and True Mother stood in the position of the True Parents of humankind, that Adam and Eve could not stand, they opened a way to convert humanity from Satan's lineage to God's lineage through the Marriage Blessing. The Holy Day of the birth of True Parents should be appreciated and celebrated by all humankind sincerely from their hearts."

FAMILY DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- Who are True Parents to you?
- How do True Parents connect you to God?
- What does it mean to be a part of God's lineage?
- How can we celebrate True Parent's Birthday? We celebrate Jesus' Birthday with a Christmas Tree and gifts. What kinds of traditions would you like to make to celebrate the birth of True Parents?

FOR PARENTS & GRANDPARENTS:

- Share about a special memory with True Parents.
- What did it mean to you to receive the marriage blessing?
- What was it like becoming a parent for the first time?
- Who are True Parents to you? Why do you celebrate their birthday?

FAMILY TRADITIONS:

- **Offering Table:** Create an offering table together and hold a simple Family Pledge Service in your home- or attend a local ceremony
- **Cake:** Share a cake or favorite treat together as a family. Sing "Happy Birthday!"
- **Banner:** Create a banner together as a family saying "Happy True Parent's Birthday!"
- **Birthday Cards:** Make a birthday card for True Parents!
- **Gift:** To celebrate God & True Parent's love for your child: Give them a special [gift](#).
- **Go Live:** Tune in to the live celebration in Korea!

FAMILY ACTIVITIES:

Click on the links for samples!

- [Group Birthday Cake for God](#) craft
- [Paperbag crowns](#) or [Paper plate party hats](#) craft
- [Rice sensory bin](#) sensory
- [Korean drums](#) craft
- [Korean fan](#) craft
- [Korean Birthday Table](#) offering table!
- [Make Gimbap](#) sensory- making food
- [DIY Yut Game](#) craft + game
- [DIY Ddakji Game](#) craft + game
- [Play Yut Nori](#) game
- [Korean rock game](#) game
- [Minute to Win It chopsticks](#) minute to win it

[PRINTABLE ACTIVITY SHEET](#)

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS:

[TP WORDS STOCKROOM](#)

[TRUE MOTHER](#)

[TRUE FATHER](#)

PINTEREST BOARDS:

ACTIVITIES, CRAFTS, GAMES, VIDEOS, SONGS:

[KOREAN CULTURE](#)

VIDEOS FOR WATCHING TOGETHER:

[TRUE PARENTS LIFE SLIDESHOW](#)

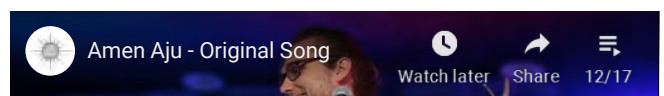
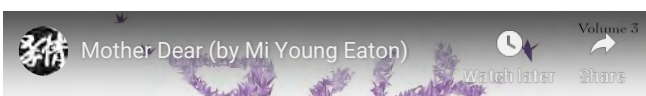
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SING ALONG WORSHIP:

[TONGIL LYRICS VIDEO](#)

[TONGIL DANCE VIDEO](#)





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NEXT
HEAVENLY PARENT'S Day

"God created human beings to be His children, partners in His true love." -
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Heavenly Parent's Day ACTIVITIES!

Celebrated on January 25, 2020- What kind of day is God's Day? For God, it is a joyful day and a good day. He wants to encounter good people on this day. He wants to bless you and celebrate this day with you, but actually, He has no one qualified to receive that blessing. All around the world people are celebrating this first day of the year, but only members of the Unification Church celebrate it as God's Day. Therefore, God wants to be with you this day.

NEW YEARS Pinterest Board

KIDS:

- [Group Birthday Cake for God craft](#)
- [Paperbag crowns](#) or [Paper plate party hats craft](#)
- [New Year's Eve Games](#) games
- [New Year's Sensory bin](#) sensory
- [New Year's shaker](#) craft
- [Balloon Drop](#)

YOUTH:

- [New Year's Minute to Win It](#) minute to win it
- [New Year Party](#)
- Write a letter to God, determination

AS A COMMUNITY:

- Make your own gimmap (make 3 rolls for someone else first)
- Charades/Fishbowl
- Entertainment

Lesson/Internal Guidance Theme Ideas:

- *Starting the new (heavenly calendar) year with God, my Heavenly Parent!* [Centered on God Animation](#)
- *My Commitment- Goal setting: Internal & External goals*
- [God Languages- Spiritual Styles Quiz](#)
- "God in our hearts" [Pinterest](#) / [Lesson](#)
- "God Loves Me" [Pinterest](#) / [Lesson](#)
- "Reach for the Stars" [Pinterest](#) New Year's Goal setting [Lesson](#)
- "Parental Love" [Pinterest](#) / [Lesson](#)

GIFT SHOP:

- [2020 Calendar](#)
- [Table Talk Principle Card Game](#)



True Parent's Birthday ACTIVITIES:

Celebrated on January 30, 2020- This is a day to celebrate the Holy Birth of The True Parents, Rev. Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon who have paved the way to transform humankind from Satan's lineage to God's lineage.

[KOREAN CULTURE Pinterest Board](#)

KIDS:

- [Rice sensory bin](#) sensory
- [Group Birthday Cake for True Parents](#) craft
- [Paperbag crowns](#) or [Paper plate party hats](#) craft
- [Korean drums](#) craft
- [Korean fan](#) craft
- [Korean Birthday Table](#) offering table!
- True Parents' Birthday Party!
- Birthday Cards for TP!



YOUTH:

- [Make Gimbap](#) sensory- making food
- [DIY Yut Game](#) craft + game
- [DIY Ddakji Game](#) craft + game
- Yut game
- [Korean rock game](#) game
- [Minute to Win It chopsticks](#) minute to win it

AS A COMMUNITY:

- Make your own gimbap (make 3 rolls for someone else first)
- Charades/Fishbowl
- Entertainment
- True Parents' Birthday Celebration

GIFT SHOP:

- [Look & Tell](#)
- [Light of Glory](#)
- [TP Coloring Book](#)

Lesson/Internal Guidance Theme Ideas:

- *Who are True Parents to me? My Roots, Inheritance*
- True Parents' Life
- [Lesson on True Mother](#)
- [Lesson on True Father](#)
- [YM True Parents Stockroom](#)



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True Parents

THE NEED FOR TRUE PARENTS

[True Parents] fight against Satan's world and attain dominion over all things. They destroy Satan, who governs the human world, and they attain an absolute position from which they govern even the myriads in the spirit world.

CSG Book 2, Chapter 1, Section 1, Verse 17

Then how can we fulfill our desire to resolve these accumulated problems all at once? It requires a true standard. But this is not to be found within the tribe, society or nation, or even within the world. Because the origin of all problems is the false parents, **only a connection with the True Parents can lead us to a solution.**

CSG Book 2, Chapter 1, Section 1, Verse 21

It is only through [True Parents] that we can lay the foundation, pierce through the fallen domain of Satan's world, and go up from there.

CSG, Book 2, Chapter 1, Section 1, Verse 24

One united world can come about only when all people, who are wandering about like orphans without a nation, come to the True Parents. **That is how the world becomes one home.**

CSG, Book 2, Chapter 1, Section 1, Verse 25

What does [the savior] save? Not our physical bodies by making them last forever. Rather, **he enables us to fulfill our hope for ideal love.** To achieve this, the Messiah must come as the True Parents.

CSG, Book 2, Chapter 1, Section 1, Verse 26

When the only begotten Son comes, it will not suffice if he is alone. There has to be the only begotten Daughter. The only begotten Son and Daughter would love and marry each other, at the place where all can rejoice with God. Upon their marriage God, the vertical Parent, would rejoice.... Then as the horizontal Parents, they would give birth to children on earth.

CSG, Book 2, Chapter 1, Section 1, Verse 26

To straighten out this history, one man and one woman, as a couple, should become the True Parents. **Without them, the human race cannot pass into a new age in history.**

CSG, Book 2, Chapter 1, Section 2, Verse 1

People are yearning for the time when the impossible can become possible. **Facing the impossible in their lives, fallen people wander in search of the right person–** the person who can realize the purpose of their faith, hope and love... It is through him that heaven and earth will be set straight, through him that Heaven's glory will begin for the first time, and through him that the love between the Father and His

son will truly commence.

CSG, Book 2, Chapter 2, Section 3, Verse 2

True Parents are the parents whose lineage is woven together with God's love and life... The True Parents are the pioneers who can perfect God's love and make God into the Lord of love. **Without the True Parents, God's plan to perfect love can never be fulfilled.**

CSG, Book 2, Chapter 4, Section 3, Verse 10

TRUE PARENTS & US

What is the hope that we should nurture? **We should hope that we can genuinely attend the True Parents** who come to the earth on behalf of Heaven. We should not want to attend the True Parents only after they are victorious, when all people look up at them and respect them. We should want to attend them while they are passing through their sorrowful course.

CSG, Book 2, Chapter 2, Section 1, Verse 5

When we go to school, we have to pass examinations. We can advance only after passing them. **It is the same with the heavenly kingdom: unless you inherit the realm of True Parents' heart, you cannot go there.**

CSG, Book 2, Chapter 4, Section 5, Verse 1

In understanding the True parents' heart, **the important matter is how to feel that you are one with them.**

CSG, Book 2, Chapter 4, Section 5, Verse 10

[True Parents] are the beginning point of the future, and by attending them... **you will become the fruit of history...** You will be the origin, the ancestors of the future.

CSG, Book 2, Chapter 4, Section 5, Verse 6

You should stand at the forefront with me. You should not

retreat. **You should advance directly with true love.**

CSG, Book 2, Chapter 4, Section 4, Verse 10

PERSONAL TESTIMONY OF THE TRUE PARENTS

You may not know how much I have invested for the sake of the world. How many tears have I shed, how much sweat and blood have I spilled, and how many times have I sighed? My efforts were not just to feed myself or to make myself successful. They were to liberate the earthly world, the spirit world and God.

CSG, Book 2, Chapter 1, Section 2, Verse 21

Before I proclaimed the True Parents, how much did I suffer? How many times was I cursed? And how many times did I go to prison? I have been imprisoned as many as six times. **I declared the coming of True Parents after all these hardships.**

CSG, Book 2, Chapter 1, Section 3, Verse 4

Even as I was being persecuted to that degree, I did not remain in the realm of accusation. In fact, **I crushed that realm under my feet and waved the flag of victory**, and I am now proclaiming the True Parents before heaven and earth.

CSG, Book 2, Chapter 1, Section 3, Verse 5

Mother had to become a true mother, a true wife and a true daughter. **To complete even one of these three missions is difficult, but Mother has completed them all.**

CSG, Book 2, Chapter 1, Section 3, Verse 14

I have been wandering everywhere in search of a people that could receive God's blessing and a land that could receive God's blessing... It was a miserable path that left me bloodied; a path on which I often risked my life. The land

of the enemy was so vast; it was like an open sea. Looking up, I saw nothing but endless sky... But I did not despair...I chose to go that path. **Since there had been no one up to that point who could take responsibility for this world, I felt I had no choice but to set out on this perilous road.**

CSG, Book 2, Chapter 4, Section 1, Verse 6

How can i sleep soundly while Unification Church members receive persecution throughout the world? How many times have I been unable to eat or sleep?

CSG, Book 2, Chapter 4, Section 1, Verse 15



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TRUE MOTHER

MAY 17, 2019

Children will learn about True Mother, Hak Ha Han Moon's life and mission. Children will be inspired to trust in God like she did and to consider how they can make a difference in bringing peace to the world.



LESSON PINTEREST BOARD!!

Educational Framework: Heart for God

“True Mother” Unit: A Mother’s Heart

LESSON PURPOSE: CHILDREN WILL LEARN ABOUT TRUE MOTHER’S LIFE AND HER MISSION AS THE MOTHER OF PEACE.

MATERIALS: Picture Book, learning toys, craft supplies

BOOKS: Korean culture picture books / Mama Do You Love Me?

SONG IDEAS: Higher Ground + Edelweiss (True Mother's favorite songs) / We Are the World / Peace Like a River

SENSORY CENTERS: AS CHILDREN ARRIVE

- **Rice sensory bin:** fill a bin with rice, cups, spoons & funnels.
- **Chopsticks sensory play:** Provide kids chopsticks and have children move marshmallows or pom poms with chopsticks into a container! Or let children play with noodles!

SCRIPTURE: Display the weekly scripture reading, have an older child read it or use it in the lesson as you like.

"I would like to begin a new era, an era of peace, an era where we share the heart of true love and living for the sake of others...where all of humanity can attend God as our parent. We can establish together a world of peace, equality, unity, and happiness. Together, we can realize the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth...Please work together with me to realize this beautiful ideal." -Hak Ja Han Moon

INTRODUCE the Lesson:

WELCOME: SONG, PRAYER, TP Greeting

SONG IDEAS: Higher Ground + Edelweiss (True Mother's favorite songs) / We Are the World / Peace Like a River

REVIEW & TRANSITION:

For the last 2 weeks **we've been learning about a Mother's love** how much our Mommies love us **and how we can do our best to honor our Mothers** Today we will learn all about a very special woman who is an exemplary daughter of God our Heavenly Parent.

ATTENTION GRABBER: choose 1:

- **Photo of True Mother:** show children a photo of True Parents. Point to True Mother- and ask children who she is. What do you know about her?
- **Put on a Ham Bok:** show it off to children. Ask them if they know where it's from? What it's called? Who might wear it? (Or show other korean related props)

INTRO:

Today we are going to learn about Hak Ja Han Moon whom we call our True Mother! We will learn about her life and role as our True Mother.

CHOOSE 1 OR 2: READ A STORY, SING A SONG OR POEM, WATCH A VIDEO: ***Use this before OR with your teaching point.**

- **VIDEOS:** *click on the link for educational, sing along or dance videos*
 - **Little Angels Fan Dance** Traditional Korean Fan Dance by the Little Angels Folk Ballet
 - **Tribute to Hak Ha Han** Sweet photo montage of True Mother's life by True Nature
- **SONG OR POEM:**
 - **Oh Mother Dear** *Oh Christmas Tree*

Oh Mother Dear, Oh Mother Dear. Oh how I love you Mother Dear.
Oh Mother Dear, Oh Mother Dear. Oh how I love you Mother Dear.
You care for me. I care for me. Not just today but all year through.
Oh Mother Dear, Oh Mother Dear. Oh how I love you Mother Dear.
 - **Edelweiss**

Edelweiss, Edelweiss. Every morning you greet me.
Small and white, clean and bright. You look happy to meet me
Blossom of snow may you bloom and grow. Bloom and grow forever

Edelweiss, Edelweiss. Bless my homeland forever

*TEACH the Lesson:

*Discuss the following points together, asking children questions, drawing pictures, using **anchor charts** or post it notes.*

TEACHING POINT 1: TRUE MOTHER

Tell the story using photos, a Korean flag, map, globe, props or drawing images as you speak.

Did you know True Mother's name is Hak Ja Han? True Mother was **born in the village of Sinli, North Korea on January 6, 1943.** Her Mother Mrs. Hong was a dedicated Christian and her Father was a disciple of a famous preacher. (At the time, they were persecuted a lot for their faith.) One night- her Grandmother, Mother and little Hak Ja Han had to secretly leave their hometown. **God kept their family safe as they travelled from North Korea to South Korea to escape a war.**

Young Hak Ja Han grew up with her Grandmother & Mother who were both very devoted to God. She was taught from an early age to follow God's plan for her life. True Mother always knew that God had a special plan for her. Her family had a deep prayer life and her Grandmother and Mother taught her well. Together they joined the Unification Church started by True Father and it was revealed that **she had a very special mission- to get Blessed in Holy Marriage to True Father** Sun Myung Moon and that she would become True Mother. Together they would become True Parents.

Even though she was young-**she committed to marrying True Father and fulfilling her role as a devoted wife and Mother** to her 14 children. She was also a Mother to many church members all over the world. She always took care of everyone around her and attended her husband to help him share God's Words. (After she went through a special learning course, True Mother began her role.) She encouraged women all over the world through establishing WFWP to promote peace. **True Mother teaches that peace starts with me and she brings God's Motherly heart to solving world problems.** She helped establish the *Little Angels* Korean folk ballet, helped build schools for children in Africa and worked with True Father to create many other church organizations. She has traveled all over the world, spoken to crowds of thousands and met Presidents!

Not only does True Mother love the world- she loves you! True Mother together with True Father- raised up many of your Grandparents and Parents with a lot of love and teachings. There is a story of an early church member Barbara Vincenz. One day at HDH morning devotion, Barbara complimented True Mother on her lovely dress. After breakfast, True Mother came in a different outfit and handed the beautiful dress to Barbara telling her that she should have it. This shows us the heart of True Mother. While True Father loves us from Heaven, True Mother is now leading our movement on Earth as the Mother of Peace True Mother has a lot of love for young people. She believes that young people are the future. **She wants you to find your special dream and make it happen!**

GROUP ACTIVITY: choose 1 or 2

Fun Trivia "True or False":

- True Mother is from Japan. (F- Korea!)
- True Mother has 14 children. (T!)
- True Mother & True Father flew in their own private Jet. (T!)
- True Mother speaks Korean, English & Japanese (T!)
- True Mother has 30 grandchildren. (F- she has over 40 grandchildren!)
- True Mother loves cheeseburgers at McDonalds. (F- she loves fish burgers!)
- True Mother likes to eat sour cream and onion Pringles (T!)

- True Mother took early members shopping. (T!)
- True Mother loves True Father. (T!)

Korean Props:

- Pass around Korean props such as: chopsticks, rice, fan, ham bok, yoot, kangi. Look at them together and describe them. Play pick up with chopsticks.

TEACHING POINT 2: WHAT TRUE MOTHER TEACHES MOPTIONAL EXTENSION

There is a lot we can learn from True Mother. Discuss together some of the following points:

- Why is prayer important?
- How did True Mother trust in God, our Heavenly Parent throughout her life? How can we trust in God?
- How does "Peace start with me"?
- What is your dream? How do you want to help the world? What do you want to be when you grow up?

GROUP ACTIVITY: choose 1 or 2

- **Show a globe-** Discuss and write down or draw ways to help bring about World Peace.
- **When I grow up game-** Have children guess what their friends will be when they grow up. Then have children reveal what they want to be when they grow up.
- **Yut-** Play a game of yut together. (for older children)

CONCLUSION:

We are so happy that God gave us True Parents! We are truly blessed children! **True Mother teaches us about God's Motherly heart to care for the world and bring peace on Earth through true love.** She believes in each one of us and wants us to dream big and do great things.

TITHING & PRAYER:

Dear Heavenly Parent, **thank you for showing us your Motherly heart through True Mother.** Please bless True Mother in all she does. We want to send our gratitude and love to her way and be wonderful children of God, making her proud and becoming peace makers. Amen. Aju!

APPLY the Lesson:

CRAFTS: choose 1

- **True Mother coloring pages:** Have children color the coloring pages with crayons or water colors! [Hak Ja Han](#) / [Mother of Peace](#)
- **Korean Culture Printables:** Have children color in the Korean [map](#) or [flags](#).
- **Korean Paper doll:** Have children color & cut out the Korean paper doll girl. Explain that True Mother dressed like this as a little child- the special dress is called a Ham Bok.
- **Paper Fans:** have children paint flowers or the Korean flag & help them fold them in to fans. Show photos or a video of the *Little Angels* fan dance.
- **PINTEREST** << Click for lots of fun Korean Cultural activities & crafts!

SNACK IDEAS:

- **Korean food:** Make simple versions of Mini Gimbap, Bi Bim Bap or pat bing su-shaved ice dessert. Talk about how in Korea there are lots of dishes spread around the table and chopsticks are used to share all of the different vegetables and side dishes together.
- **Chopsticks:** serve fruit, rice or noodles and have children try using kids chopsticks to eat!

Enjoy the lesson! Feel free to submit photos to lgavin@unification.org Love seeing lessons come to life and each community

HOME CONNECTION

[PDF PRINTABLE HERE](#)



Sunday School
HOME CONNECTION

Unit: A Mother's Heart

LESSON: TRUE MOTHER

"I would like to begin a new era, an era of peace, an era where we share the heart of true love and living for the sake of others...where all of humanity can attend God as our parent. We can establish together a world of peace, equality, unity, and happiness. Together, we can realize the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth...Please work together with me to realize this beautiful ideal." - ak Ja Han Moon

To Close: Today we learned all about True Mother

In Class. Today we learned all about True Mother, Korean culture and how she was taught from an early age to trust in God's special plan for her life- to get blessed in holy marriage to True Father and become True Mother. True Mother teaches us that Peace Starts with Me and she brings the Mother's heart to solving world problems. She believes that young people are the future and wants us to find our special dreams and make them happen!

At Home. Continue learning with your child this week!

Family Activities:

- **Chopsticks-** Make DIY kid chopsticks and practice eating noodles, rice, bulgogi and other Korean foods!
- **Discuss-** About your dreams, how "Peace Starts with Me", and what I want to be when I grow up!
- **Prayer-** Pray together like True mother prayed with her mother and grandmother as a child.
- **Fan-** Make a fan using watercolors and paper. Then dance together to Korean folk music!

PREVIOUS

Fruit of the Spirit

NEXT

Honor Your Mother & Father

"God created human beings to be His children, partners in His true love." -SMM



TRUE FATHER

JUNE 20, 2019

Children will learn about True Father's life story- his love for animals, accepting his vision from Jesus, getting blessed to True Mother and more! "I dedicated my life entirely to bringing about the kingdom of God, the kingdom of the peaceful, ideal world." -Rev. Moon



LESSON PINTEREST BOARD!!

Educational Framework: Heart for God

"Title" Unit: A Father's Heart

LESSON PURPOSE: AN INTRODUCTION TO TRUE FATHER, REV. SUN MYUNG MOON!

MATERIALS: learning toys, craft supplies, coloring pages

BOOKS: Korean culture picture books, TP Coloring Book

SONG IDEAS: When the Saints Go Marching In, Sailing With Our Father, Arirang, Tongil

SENSORY CENTERS: AS CHILDREN ARRIVE

- **Stuffed animals:** play with lots of different animals.
- **Rice sensory bin:** fill a bin with rice, cups, spoons & funnels.
- **Chopsticks sensory play:** Provide kids chopsticks and have children move marshmallows or pom poms with chopsticks into a container! Or let children play with noodles!

SCRIPTURE: Display the weekly scripture reading, have an older child read it or use it in the lesson as you like.

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"When the family dwells at the focal point of God's love, that is the ideal family." -Rev. Moon

INTRODUCE the Lesson:

WELCOME: SONG, PRAYER, TP Greeting

SONG IDEAS: When the Saints Go Marching In, Sailing With Our Father, Arirang, Tongil

REVIEW & TRANSITION:

During June, **we've been learning all about A Father's Heart and how to be super and strong like Daddy!** Today we will talk about a very amazing man of God- True Father!

ATTENTION GRABBER: choose 1:

- **Photo of True Father:** show children a photo of True Parents. Point to True Father- and ask children who he is. What do you know about him?
- **Stuffed Animal:** Show children a stuffed animal. (Let each child hold a stuffed animal quietly in their lap) Ask what their favorite animals are.

INTRO:

Today we are going to learn about True Father! We will learn about his childhood and how he became True Father.

CHOOSE 1 OR 2: READ A STORY, SING A SONG OR POEM, WATCH A VIDEO: ***Use this**

before OR with your teaching point.

- **VIDEOS:** *click on the link for educational, sing along or dance videos*
 - **Arirang Fan Dance** *Dance Along by Music Express Magazine*
 - **Korean Drum Dance** *Traditional Folk Drums*

- **SONG OR POEM:**

- **Saints Go Marching In**

Oh, when the saints go marchin' in,
Oh, when the saints go marchin' in,
Lord, I want to be in that number
When the saints go marchin' in.

And when the sun, begins to shine,
And when the sun, begins to shine,
Oh, how I want to be in that number
When the sun begins to shine.

- **Arirang**

Arirang, Arirang, Arariyo...

Arirang gogaero neomeoganda.

Nareul beorigo gasineun nimeun

Simnido motgaseo balbbyeongnanda.

Just as there are many stars in the clear sky,
There are also many dreams in our heart.

There, over there that mountain is Baekdu Mountain,
Where, even in the middle of winter days, flowers bloom.

*TEACH the Lesson:

*Discuss the following points together, asking children questions, drawing pictures, using **anchor charts** or post it notes.*

TEACHING POINT 1: TRUE FATHER'S LIFE

Tell the story using a lot of expression, hand motions & props such as: photos, stuffed animals, flags, Korean cultural items, mountain picture etc.

- True Father was **born in 1920 the mountainside of North Korea** under Japanese rule. He grew up in a big farm family, being one of 8 children. He **had a**

special love for animals and wondered how things go together. He would catch birds and try to get them to be married. He was **very curious**, nothing stopped him. One time he **chased a weasel for 3 whole days** to find out where it lived and to learn from it! True Father even **caught eels** with his bare hands and once with his teeth.

- As he got older, he **always tried to protect his friends**. If a big kid was not being nice to a younger child, he would stand up for them! He trained himself to become very strong and protect those around him. He had a **big heart**. As he got older his family converted from Confucianism to **Christianity**. He learned about God's love and Jesus' sacrifice. He prayed a lot and wanted to understand God's heart. He had many questions for God and climbed the mountain to pray.
- One day when he was **15 years old praying on a mountaintop- Jesus appeared to him!** And Jesus asked him to continue his mission. Since then **True Father has dedicated his whole life to God** and how he can serve the world to make it a better place. He studied the Bible all the time and wrote the **Divine Principle**. His very first church was built out of cardboard and mud. Later he was **blessed in marriage to True Mother** and together they had 14 children.
- True Father was a very honest, passionate and caring person. He was **very determined** and built a huge following. He would **preach for hours** and hours to his disciples. He **always lived for the sake of others**, helping other people. **Now people all over the world follow True Parents' teachings** and their lives have been changed by it. He made an impact in sports, arts, business, politics, the ocean and more! True Father always worked to bring all of God's children together. **True Father now watches over us from Heaven**. We can talk to him when we pray, just like we can talk to God and Jesus. True Father's dream is to see all of God's children united in happiness.

GROUP ACTIVITIES: choose 1

- **Fun Trivia "True or False":** (*thumbs up or down to guess*)
 - True Father is from Japan. (F- Korea!)
 - True Father caught a bear. (F! A Weasel or Eel.)
 - True Father studied to be an engineer. (T!)
 - True Father met many presidents. (T!)
 - True Parents have held the largest wedding ceremonies in the world (T!)
 - True Father's first church was made out of straw. (F-cardboard & mud.)
 - True Parents now have churches all over the world. (T)
 - True Father's favorite color is pink. (T!)

- True Father's favorite sport to watch is golf. (F- soccer!)
- True Father's favorite song is Arirang. (T!)
- **Nature Walk:** Go out on a nature walk together. Observe the animals & how they work together. Climb a "mountain" and say a prayer together.

TEACHING POINT 2: WHAT WE LEARN FROM TRUE FATHER OPTIONAL EXTENSION

- *There is a lot we can learn from True Father. Discuss together some of the following points:*
 - What can we learn from nature?
 - Why is prayer important?
 - How was True Father a good friend to others?
 - True Parents' teachings are what bring us to church each Sunday and give us our community of faith! Why are you grateful for True Parents?
 - A lot of your parents and grandparents have met True Parents. What would you say to True Father if you could meet him?
 - What is your dream? How do you want to help the world? What do you want to be when you grow up?

GROUP ACTIVITY:

- **Cardboard Church-** build a cardboard church together using cardboard boxes.
- **Yute-** Play a game of yoot together. (for older children)

CONCLUSION:

We are so happy that God gave us True Parents! We are truly blessed children! **True Father teaches us to love and appreciate** everything and everyone around us. He also **teaches us to be kind to all people and study God's Words** so that we can learn to live the best life.

TITHING & PRAYER:

Dear Heavenly Parent, **thank you for showing us your Fatherly heart through True Father.** We admire True Father's curiosity, courage and strength. True Father, please watch over us and guide us from Heaven. We want to be brave and dream big dreams like you! Amen. Aju!

APPLY the Lesson:

CRAFTS: choose 1. Find these and more on [Pinterest!](#)

- **[True Father coloring pages:](#)** Have children color the coloring pages with crayons or water colors!
- **Weasel:** make a weasel out of a toilet paper roll, green construction paper & marker.
- **Korean drum:** Create sogo drums using paper plates, red, blue and yellow paint and chopsticks.
- **Nature:** Create toilet paper binoculars to take outside on a nature walk. Or create a collage or art work with items found on a nature walk.
- **Mountains:** Paint or make mountains out of different colored construction paper. Talk about how True Father climbed the mountain to pray & "Faith can move mountains!"

SNACK IDEAS:

- **Korean food:** Make simple versions of Mini Gimbap, Bi Bim Bap or pat bing su-shaved ice dessert. Talk about how in Korea there are lots of dishes spread around the table and chopsticks are used to share all of the different vegetables and side dishes together.
- **Chopsticks:** serve fruit, rice or noodles and have children try using kids chopsticks to eat!

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