

Pure Love Education Academy, an Educational and Social Project Founded

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Mercedes González giving her presentation

With the desire to support our True Mother (True Parents), I started praying and asking for guidance late in 2015. In response, I received that I had to pay special attention to what True Mother had said in her speech on September 12, 2015, in Seoul, Korea. She told us on that occasion, “During his lifetime, my husband, Dr. Sun Myung Moon, was deeply concerned about the seriousness of climate change and he struggled to find solutions. To continue the good cause of my husband Dr. Moon, we created the annual Sunhak Peace Prize. 2015 was slated as a year of care for the environment.... I wish everyone becomes aware of this global problem and undertakes initiatives to alleviate it. You have to contact local, national and international organizations to collaborate and work together against climate change.”

With what she had said in mind, I began to develop my initiative. The concrete answer to my prayer was that I had to organize two events, one in October and another in November, with the aim of supporting the providence and connecting citizens of Madrid with the providence and with our True Mother’s Vision 2020.



The guest speakers that the Pure Love Education Academy attracts receive certificates of appreciation

Before, in 2012, Heaven already inspired me and gave me the idea of opening an online academy that could become an educational and social bridge, so that I could educate the citizens of Spain according to the mentality (thought, vision, way of thinking) of the True Adam; that is, according to the teachings of the Messiah, our True Parents. My arena of activity as a heavenly tribal messiah is the field of education. I work with public-minded people that serve the national and international society in my hometown of Madrid, Spain.

Under Heaven’s guidance, I named this project the Pure Love Education Academy (PLEA). As I often say, it began with the help of the Holy Spirit. PLEA programs cover two aspects, the spiritual or sung-sang aspect and the social or hyung-sang aspect. With this pattern, I design all of my programs. For the

spiritual part, we teach Unificationism (True Adam's Thought), through lectures given only by FFWPU brothers and sisters. In that way we allow God's heart and teachings to be expressed freely; it is like an unadulterated, original pearl.

For the social part, the chairmen, directors or representatives of the organizations invited for the occasion give their lectures and we leave to them space for free expression and presentations. Abel-type organizations are chosen; that is, ones in line with Christian ethics or the public-minded ethos to promote good behavior and to serve others.



Prayer provides the foundation for clear communication among all participants

Save the Earth

The first event took place last October 31 under the theme, "Knowing and Caring for Mother Nature." The Academy presented the program in three parts. We started the program with three Unificationists speakers. Mr. Mario Magaz told us about the importance of the inaugural Sunhak Price Award in Korea. Giving a very detailed presentation, Jose Manuel Cabero read True Mother's September 12 message, whereas I presented a lecture, "The Origins of Mother Nature: The Law of Cause and Effect and The Law of Giving and Receiving."

With this lecture, I intended to make clear to the audience the great value of Mother Nature,

whose designer and creator is God, and the fact that nature is the visible manifestation of God while human beings are the visible body of God, according to his original plan at the time of the Creation. It took many hours and days to prepare for it, but I felt that since the issue was of great importance, I must pour all my devotion into the presentation. True Father gave us an amazing revelation and humanity has to know it, understand it and practice it. As a missionary and an educator, absolutely I have to help the providence in the task of education and evangelization.

After many calls, letters, hard work and perseverance, we could count on the presence of three major speakers on climate change—Manuel Montijano, chief strategist at the Climate Reality Project—Spain. Mrs. Veerle Minner Van Neygen, Ph.D., district manager for the Climate Reality—Spain and Mr. Steve Sawyer, manager of the Renewable Energy Foundation.

We gave these speakers on climate change certificates of appreciation. Everyone shared "vino santo," holy wine, in a toast to wonderful Mother Nature. We also had the presence of the Mil Caminos, from the Thousand Roads Choir, who intoned mantras in praise of Mother Nature. We served a snack at the end of the program and delivered FFWPU literature, As a Peace Loving Global Citizen, Exposition of Divine Principle and some of True Father's speeches.

Save humanity

The next event took place on November 21. The theme was "Our Contribution to World Peace, Latin America and Spain." Again, the program consisted of three parts. Two lectures were on the "Life and Faith of the Founder of the Unification Movement for World Peace, Rev. Sun Myung Moon," taught by Mr. Mario Magaz Armenteros. The presentation was extraordinary because Mario explained in detail the life and work of the Messiah. Mario's determination to prepare called him to invest many hours, which in the end yielded for us a detailed idea of the topic. I believe True Father would have been pleased to see his successful effort. I lectured on the material presented in As a Peace Loving Global Citizen. Eight leaders from Madrid, some of whom our ambassadors for peace, gave presentations as well. Many are the directors of the organizations they represent.

Each one gave a presentation on their work in and contributions toward improving society—domestic and international. Each speaker was very sincere when talking about how difficult conducting a public project within Spanish society is, especially for those who are foreigners and South Americans. They are contacts of mine, made while working with UPF.