This Week in History (May 29-June 4)

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God Bless America Festival Yankee Stadium Rally June 1, 1976, New York City, United States

On June 1, 1976, the Bicentennial God Bless America Festival was held at Yankee Stadium in New York City. At this celebration of the 200th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence, 50,000 participants attended True Father's speech, "God's Hope for America." In it, he emphasized, "God has sent me to America in the role of a doctor, in the role of a firefighter" and "I know God's will is to save the world, and to do that, America must lead the way."



72-couple Blessing Ceremony June 4, 1962, Headquarters Church, Seoul

On June 4, 1962, at 6:20 a.m., True Parents officiated the 72-Couple Blessing Ceremony in the former headquarters church in Cheongpa-dong, Seoul. Three consecutive ceremonies of 24 couples each took 10 hours to complete. True Father explained that it represented "purifying the historical foundation of our ancestors to achieve the Four Position Foundation without the Abel–Cain conflict by establishing 72 couples, which was number resulting from 2 times 36."



Holy Spirit Association for the Unification of World Christianity (HSA-UWC) Registers with the Korean Government May 31, 1963, Seoul, Korea



On May 31, 1963, the Holy Spirit Association for the Unification of World Christianity was registered as a social organization with the South Korean government.

Religious activities were made possible as a legitimate organization by registering as Social Organization Item 261.

About four months later, we received judicial foundation approval and were able to run the association effectively.

True Father said, "We struggled to finally gain permission from the Ministry of Education, who had refused to register us; the foundation has been established and is able to carry out legitimate religious activities."

True Mother's Worldwide Speaking Tour for the Global Expansion of True Families May 29, 1999, Great Hall of the People, Beijing

On May 29, 1999, True Mother held the Rally to Globalize True Families at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing, China. Her speech that day was titled, "The Path of Life for All Humankind." In it, she said, "There must be some common content that will be pleasing to God, to the angels, to the rest of creation and to human beings themselves." She went on to say that this common content is "true love." This was the final rally that True Mother held in her 32-nation speaking tour, which had begun on April 12.





