

This Week in History (June 12-June 18)

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The First Phase of the 360-million-couple Blessing Ceremony June 13, 1998, Madison Square Garden, New York, USA

On June 13, 1998, the 1st 360 Million Couples Marriage Blessing Ceremony was held at the New York Madison Square Garden. 120 million couples participated by broadcast all around the world in 195 countries, and others from the Five Holy Saints such as Confucian or Buddhist families were also included. True Parents said, “the age where Satan can interfere has passed and the age of authority of True Parents will come.



Congratulatory Declaration of True Parents' Cosmic Victory June 14, 1999, Seoul Olympic Park Gymnastic Stadium, Korea

The Congratulatory Declaration of True Parents' Cosmic Victory was held at the Olympic Park Gymnasium on June 14, 1999. Around 15,000 people, including leaders from 185 nations and distinguished guests from all walks of life, attended the event. On that day, True Father presented True Mother with a commendation for her noble effort to convey the message of peace and to plant a vision for the future in all people who were facing a new century, through her worldwide speaking tour.





**Building the Chung Pyung Training Center
June 17, 1971, Seolak-myun, Gapyeong-gun, Korea**

Construction work to build the Chung Pyung Training Center in Song-san Hamlet, Seorak Village, Gapyeong County, Gyeonggi Province began with True Father's first dig at the riverside using a pickaxe on June 17, 1971. The 30 or so members who were receiving a workshop at Sutaek-ri Training Center to become pastors were all mobilized to help with the construction work. Today, 45 years after it was erected on land that used to be a mulberry field, Chung Pyung Heaven and Earth Training Center has become a global holy ground which members from different nations enjoy visiting.



**Sun Moon Peace Cup Inaugural Ceremony
June 12, 2002, Seoul Little Angels Arts Center, Korea**

The Sunmoon Peace Cup Inaugural Ceremony took place at 3 PM on June 12, 2002, at the Seoul Little Angels Arts Center. Over 500 domestic and foreign personnel showed their interest as True Father spoke on the topic to 'seek the path to realize world peace through sports.' He said that the best club teams in the world would participate in the Sun Moon Peace Cup and that it would "become a festival which hopes for all humankind to become one big family."

