

Cheon Mu Won: Let Us Unite with True Mother to Create a Legacy of Victory

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We would like to thank the continental directors, vice-continental directors and regional directors around the world, and district and church leaders in each nation, and also those who have joined us in person today - President Hwangbo Guk of FFWPU Heavenly Korea and the Vice Presidents (Senior Vice President Kim Young-seok, Vice President Park Young-bae, and Vice President Kim Go-eun). It is wonderful to have you all here together.

First, I would like to express my deepest gratitude to our Heavenly Parent and the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind for granting us this precious time. I also extend my heartfelt appreciation to all the pastors and missionaries around the world who are investing their sincere efforts and devotion to uphold the will of Holy Mother Han, True Mother, in their ministries on the front line.



Unity Centered on Cheon Mu Won

As many of you know, on the closing day of the Cheon Il Guk Leaders' General Assembly, following the great victory of the Cheon Won Gung Cheonil Sanctum Entrance Ceremony, True Mother spoke about unity centered on Cheon Mu Won and graciously restructured our organization. She reorganized all the area outside of Heavenly Korea and Heavenly Japan into five continents and twenty-seven districts. Her

sole purpose in doing this was to expand the environment for Cheon Il Guk, specifically through witnessing.

In implementing this restructuring, True Mother asked that not only the global Family Federation church network but all providential organizations focus on witnessing. She declared that UPF, WFWP, and other organizations must exist for the purpose of witnessing. In the case of Heavenly Korea, True Mother personally appointed leaders who have extensive pastoral experience and witnessing achievements from many years of frontline ministry work.

In accordance with True Mother's guidance and will, Cheon Mu Won has updated the organizational structure of our churches and providential institutions across all continents worldwide, establishing a vision and direction to strengthen internal development through pastoral care and witnessing.

During this restructuring, the Cheon Mu Won Central Administrative Office paid particular attention to establishing support systems that would enable pastors and missionaries who are dedicating themselves in frontline ministries to conduct their work from a foundation of at least minimal stable living conditions. This measure is just the beginning. We will continue to develop systems that can provide greater stability in the future.

Furthermore, we will redouble our efforts to recognize and provide appropriate support and benefits to churches and pastors who achieve excellent results through successfully bringing new members and striving for church growth.

This represents not only Cheon Mu Won's commitment, but above all, True Mother's special guidance. Although sacrifice and dedication on the path of God's will are unavoidable to some extent, they are neither natural nor virtuous in themselves. True Mother, who has lived her entire life as an evangelist and missionary, understands this point more clearly than anyone. For this reason, she has instructed us to make sure to provide greater support and benefits to capable and diligent pastors and others in public missions who distinguish themselves in church growth and witnessing.

At Cheon Mu Won we will dedicate ourselves to research and efforts to respond to True Mother's hope and expectations in this regard.



Global Church Growth Through Witnessing

This past Tuesday, May 27 (5.1 by the heavenly calendar), we celebrated the first anniversary of the founding of Cheon Mu Won. Since Cheon Mu Won was launched, one year ago, we have been working closely with the Mission Department to monitor the growth of individual churches, and we are now developing an evaluation system that will enable more accurate analysis of how churches are growing.

Thanks to this church growth monitoring system, we can now accurately identify the vibrant activities of each church, even including the name of each pastor. Previously, we [in Cheon Mu Won] could not see such detailed information within each region and subregion, but now we have the joy and grace of being able to report them clearly to True Mother.

We have some thousands of churches worldwide, including the CheonBo Family Churches. We will ensure that the pastoral activities of all districts and churches are properly evaluated, that they receive encouragement, and that inspiring witnessing stories and achievements are shared through a variety of

platforms.

From this perspective, a church growth awards ceremony is not simply about praising successful churches and pastors with good results. Its deeper meaning lies in sharing hope and confidence that when we advance vigorously with Holy Mother Han, True Mother, as our absolute center, we can accomplish our goals and achieve victory, and share in the grace of Heaven's work.

What is particularly encouraging for me is that churches around the world have voluntarily set goals, and many have striven hard and achieved 100 percent of those targets. Some churches have achieved remarkable results of more than 1,000 percent of their goals. These churches achieved results ranging from 200% to 1,500% in areas such as tithing and worship attendance rates.

I extend my deepest gratitude to the pastors of these excellent, growing churches. They serve as powerful sources of hope and courage, as they continuously challenge themselves to take the lead in both qualitative and quantitative growth.

As part of the worldwide continental restructuring, 39 new national leaders have been appointed. This represents the most significant organizational transformation in Unification Church history since the providence to return to our hometowns, and includes both internal and external changes across Heavenly Korea and throughout the global community.

In the course of this restructuring, 39 national leaders - 14 in Heavenly Asia-Pacific, 22 in Heavenly Africa, two in Heavenly Central and South America, and one in Heavenly Europe-Middle East - were newly anointed by Holy Mother Han, True Mother, building on the foundation of the great victory of the Cheon Won Gung Cheonil Sanctum Entrance Ceremony.

They are joining us at this gathering, both online and offline. Please give our new national leaders a big round of applause and congratulations. (Applause)

Many of these new national leaders are in their forties. They have been specially selected for appointment as leaders who have the will and capacity to create a providential foundation for Pure Water members of the young generation in their respective nations and regions. The work they must do centers on the providential purpose of establishing an environmental foundation for the third generation of the True Family. I am asking that they actively respond to the expectations of our Heavenly Parent and True Parents by establishing a strong internal foundation through pastoral ministry and witnessing in the mission field.

This comprehensive organizational restructuring holds profound significance for the entire global Unification Movement, making it possible to inherit the heavenly fortune of the new era inaugurated by Holy Mother Han, True Mother, and to experience renewal and fresh beginnings.

Therefore, not only the newly appointed leaders but also all pastors and all of those with public missions serving in all of our churches worldwide must unite with one heart and one mind. All of us must resolve together to fulfill True Mother's hopes and advance together with renewed vigor.

A church that is truly practicing faith cannot remain stationary. If it stops moving, it inevitably regresses. This is because a church is a place where spirituality, or faith, is practiced. Faith requires the daily cultivation of a vertical relationship with Heaven; without continuously fostering a mature relationship of grace, regression is inevitable. Therefore, senior spiritual leaders are a crucial requirement in religious organizations. The growth and development of a church depends on the spirituality, passion, and vision of the spiritual leaders guiding it.

The Golden Era with True Mother

Esteemed continental directors, regional directors, national leaders and pastors from around the world, we are now living in the golden era that our Holy Mother Han, our True Mother, opened for us through her blood, sweat, and tears. One dictionary defines "golden era" as "a peak period when things are at their very best." However, the meaning of this current golden era runs much deeper from a providential perspective. Allow me to read portions of True Mother's words that she has given us about the golden era:

"You blessed families living in this era today are living in the golden era. Neither in the future nor in the past can there be such a time - it is only this time when the Only Begotten Daughter True Mother is alive on earth that is the golden era. I hope you will pledge to become one with me and together build the kingdom of heaven on earth and in heaven for eternity." (August 23, 2024 - Cheon Won Gung Cheonil Sanctum Victory Resolution Rally)

"The time while I am on earth is the golden era. Because I have established the center of the providence and opened all paths to the future, the way for the world to become one will surely

come. However, the issue is that the time when True Parents are on earth is more important. That is why it is the golden era."(August 29, 2024)

"The completion of Heaven's providence is accomplished through the Only Begotten Daughter. I hope that you will become one with me, receive Heaven's protection, and fulfill your responsibilities. This time when you are living together with me while I am on earth is the golden era. This time, which is unprecedented and unrepeatable, is the golden era. To have done such work under the direction of the Only Begotten Daughter during the golden era - this makes you a distinguished family among distinguished families. For all eternity. Do you understand?"(September 3, 2024)

Dear Leaders, True Mother has told us, "The time while I am on earth is the golden era." These words are significant because they contain the meaning of a time limit. It is important for us to always remember that the focus of that time limit is Holy Mother Han, True Mother, who is the embodiment of Heavenly Mother. And it is important because all our activities and efforts during this unprecedented time when our victorious True Mother is managing the earthly providence take on the special significance as unparalleled acts of filial devotion before Heaven, and they will remain as great achievements in the history of God's providence.

True Mother has said that she wants to remember and cherish forever the names and achievements of every son and daughter who worked with her during this period, even when she goes to the spirit world. The recent Cheon Il Guk Awards Ceremony at which certificates and special holy items were given to long-serving members was conducted with this heart. She is also 36 True Peace

guiding the preparation of the "Hanju Hyodowon" (Hanju Hall of Filial Service and Character), located next to the HJ Magnolia Medical Center, a place that will keep the record of our deeds for hundreds and thousands of years into the future.

Recognizing that we are living in such a historic and monumental time, I earnestly hope that all of you will become proud and victorious Cheon Il Guk leaders and pastors. If you are firmly resolved and determined to do so, please offer a round of applause to send gratitude and glory to True Mother!

Dear leaders, please never forget that True Mother prays for each one of you every day, hoping and expecting that you will fulfill your responsibilities as continental directors, national leaders, and pastors, and that you will surely achieve victory.

True Mother encourages bold challenges and initiatives for church growth and witnessing. She suggests that we form praise teams and try busking on the streets and university campuses. On Sundays, she watches our worship services online so she can directly experience what is happening in our churches. She checks everything in detail - the sermon content, the preacher's voice, the praise team's songs, the content and length of the prayers, even the hyojeong testimonies - and shares her observations with me on Sunday afternoons or Monday mornings.

Whenever I witness True Mother's passion and sincerity, I cannot help but feel deeply sorry and apologetic.

Respected pastors and leaders! Church growth cannot be achieved just by making resolutions.

Victory cannot be won by merely shouting "Eok Mansei!" Once goals and plans have been established, you must find the devoted people who can work toward those goals, work out your budget—whether large or small—and actively move forward.

As all of those working under Cheon Mu Won mark our first anniversary, the most important thing we have learned from True Mother was her attention and attitude toward Heaven's providence. Even though she is well into her eighties, she utterly devotes herself, treating each day as if it represents a thousand years. Let all of us - in every continent, nation, and districts - become people who no longer cause Mother to worry, but rather offer her joy and laughter so that she may find comfort and be at ease.

For the sake of the expansion of the Cheon Il Guk environment, Cheon Mu Won will provide greater support and encouragement to pastors who are doing their utmost, and we will share their church activities and achievements worldwide.

Through today's church growth award ceremony, I hope that all districts and churches in our Unificationist family can make a fresh new start. I hope that as pastors you will be able to greatly expand this great new era of Cheon Il Guk - where we live in substantial attendance to Heavenly Parent - through witnessing and growing your churches. I pray that the tremendous grace and love of Heaven will always be with you. Thank you.