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A testimony of a pianist, Mrs. Y.H.

The 1300th 2-day Workshop (WS) was held in the second week of January with many people from around the world coming to participate. The WS was held from November 29 to 30 (Jan. 8-9, 2016) in the third year of Cheon Il Guk by the heavenly calendar. An elderly pianist in her 70s, Mrs. Y.H., participated in the WS. It is been six months since she joined the church at the Seoul South District Church. She liberated her first seven generations of ancestors, and she gave the following testimony.

"I was introduced to the Family Federation in the last summer by a close acquaintance. I officially joined the church in July and participated in last week's blessing ceremony. When I read Father's autobiography, I knew my life would have been different had I known this great person earlier. A sense of longing for Father began to develop in my heart.

I am not the kind of person who speaks about things that she has never seen, but Father was different. I wanted to see him and talk about him. I thought to myself, 'How happy would I have felt had I met Father while he was still alive? I would be living a different life.' Afterward, I came to CP a few times with my daughter. I gave a copy of Father's autobiography to her. She then gave it to her younger sister who passed it on to her friend. Later, all three ended up coming to CP with me. After my first chanyang session, my body became lighter, and it was an overall joyful experience.

Plus, True Father always appears spiritually and sees me and smiles at me. Even during today's chanyang session, he appeared again spiritually, and I saw a wide grin on his face.

I think he smiles because he knows that I love him. It was in my house after participating in a blessing ceremony in the church that True Father appeared before me for the first time. He was smiling then too. Ever since then, I always see him with a happy smile. When I see such True Father, I, too, feel happy.

I have experienced almost all kinds of religion, from Buddhism, Judaism, Islam, and Mormon. Now, I know in which religion I want to end my life: the FFWPU. I want to live like True Father, I

want to live in a certain way, and I want to live that kind of life. True Father also not only experienced Heavenly Parent's teaching but lived it as well. That is why he told us to live like that as True Father has done. I really want to model my life after True Father's life, and coming here always brings me great joy."

Spirit and Physical World Family-Starting Workshop



Following the WS, the "Spirit and Physical World Family-Starting Workshop" took place. One participant gave a testimony. T.H., a new member from Toyama District in Japan who joined the church less than a year ago, gave the following testimony.

"I was blessed with my husband who died seven years ago, and this time, I participated in this Family-starting WS. During the Physical and Spiritual World Blessing Ceremony, the ring my husband gave me seemed to shine brightly. I felt that my husband was happy, too.

I wore the ring during last year's Christmas party in the church. Normally the ring is a tad bit too large for me and fits very loosely but on that day, it fit around my finger perfectly.

My husband was a nagging person, but he started from scratch as he worked to provide for his family. I joined the blessing ceremony after learning that I could meet my husband in Heaven if I received this blessing. After joining the church seven years after my husband's passing, I liberated my ancestors and received the Physical and Spirit World Blessing. Afterward, I sensed that many problems that surrounded me began to be resolved one by one, and I truly felt that the works of CP are real and great."

K.M., a female 360,000-couple member from Nishikanagawa District, Japan gave the following testimony.

"I participated in this time's Physical and Spirit World Family-starting Workshop in someone else's place. The person whom I was participating in the WS for is 78 years old, and her husband died 20 years ago. She has recently decided to go through with the ancestral liberation and blessing. She had a good relationship with her husband who died of illness. She said her husband was a silent type who never spoke much.

During the WS, there was a time we could converse with spirits where I clearly heard a spirit's voice. The voice said, 'I wanted to be blessed while I was alive! How great it must have been?' The voice sounded full of joy, and I could feel the spirit's desire to have received the blessing while he was still alive. Maybe it is because he is a silent type, but that was the only thing he said. I am going to tell her about her husband once I return to Japan.

Also, I carried a pain in my waist, and that went away after conversing with the spirit.

After liberating and blessing my ancestors, I began to talk often with my ancestors. I could talk with my ancestors when I light up the holy candles and pray. At first, my ancestor couples came to me to say 'Thank you,' but soon began to say, 'Please liberate other ancestors as well. Please

liberate the other branch of ancestors, too.' I told them, 'Please wait your turn.' I soon liberate and blessed each generation one by one in order. When I liberated my uncle on my mother's side, I saw my uncle's spirit who told me 'I will never forget this. Thank you.'

Also, when I pray to my ancestors asking for something, they would get it for me. That is how I got my copy of Cheon Seong Gyeong. My son was hurt in a car accident when he was still very young. This makes me worried whenever he does not come home until late without any message. Whenever that happens, I would pray to my ancestors who would then tell me, 'Don't worry. We will protect him for you. Please go to bed.' Then my son would return home without any harm. One time, my ancestors told me during a prayer, 'Your husband should not travel on that road.' I told my husband about this, but he ignored. While walking on the said road that day, he was almost hit by a car, narrowly escaping death. Our family is safe thanks to our ancestors. I want to continue to liberate my ancestors as I fulfill my responsibility as a tribal messiah."

One member testified about his experience with a wishing paper. T.H., a 30,000-married-couple member from Chuo-Hokkaido District in Japan gave the following testimony.

"My heart was burdened with much pain before the Foundation Day due to a tragedy in the family. However, I came to CP and filled out many wishing papers because I wanted my family to unite as one before the Foundation Day. After filling out wishing papers, I felt closer to the heart of Heavenly Parent, and I could trust my family more. I then realized that it is really all my fault, and my family could be saved if I changed. I would not have been able to turn my heart around if the wishing papers did not exist. Plus, I wrote about ancestral liberation in the wishing papers, and by Heaven's guidance, I was able to achieve the victory of liberating all 210 generations of my ancestors before the Foundation Day.

Afterward, I began to use wishing papers even for witnessing. I always write about the mission of tribal messiahship in wishing papers. I helped someone join our church, but he soon stopped coming. Then I wrote in wishing papers, 'Please allow me times to face this person and share my heart.' Our relationship gradually improved, and he even ended up receiving the Spiritual and Physical Blessing.

He was a difficult person to witness to, and I thought of giving up many times. That is why I was pleasantly surprised when he went through with the blessing. I can definitely feel a difference in the air in terms of witnessing. These days, I always use wishing papers to solve my problems. Our family has now united, and we are trying to successfully fulfill the mission of tribal messiahship together. Thank you so much."

North Gyeonggi Region Junior Top-Gun Workshop



"North Gyeonggi Region Junior Top-Gun Workshop' was held from January 3 to 9 in Chinhwa Education Building B with 28 participants.

Eun-seon Heo, a high school freshman from Guri Church, said, "There is a great sense of fulfillment in restoring one person. I began to cry as I imagined then how joyful, or sorrowful, True Father's heart must have had been all these years."

Shingok Yeong-ae, a sophomore from Cheongshim Church, said, "I felt as if True Mother was watching over us from the Cheon Jeong Gung Museum. I cried and my heart began to fill with gratitude as I started to think, 'How joyful Heavenly Parent and True Parents must be as they watch over us shouting hooray out of sheer joy. I also cried a lot while reading from Cham Bumo Gyeong the part about the early years of True Parents. I was truly grateful that Heavenly Parent sent True Parents as the messiah to save us."

Won-jae Lee, a high school freshman from Deok-yang Church, said, "Witnessing is the only way to help True Parents. I pledged to myself that I will try to gain a deeper understanding of the hearts of Heavenly Parent and True Parents, and spread their message to others."

Ye-ju Shin, a high school freshman from Chung Pyung Church, said, "While praying at the Tree of Blessing, I saw a bunch of grass and reed waving back and forth. Then, I heard True Father's voice telling me, 'Do you see those reeds? The Wind cannot break them. Just as those reeds face and endure hardships, you the second- and third-generation members have to become strong, like the reeds.'"