

## **True Mother's Banquet to Celebrate the Victory of the 2017 International Rally to Promote the Peaceful Reunification of the Korean Peninsula**

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True Parents hosted a Special Banquet to Celebrate the Victory of the '2017 International Rally to Promote the Peaceful Reunification of the Korean Peninsula', on 9.25 by the heavenly calendar in the 5th year of Cheon Il Guk (November 13, 2017) in Chung Pyung Heaven and Earth Training Center. This event was held at the main hall of the Chung Pyung Heaven and Earth Training Center with a total of 800 participants, including Chairperson of the HyoJeong World Peace Foundation, Yeon-ah Moon, General Director of the Universal Ballet, Hoon-sook Moon, President of FFWPU-Korea, Rev. Kyeong-seok Ryu, Continental Chairman of FFWPU-North America, Dr. Ki-hoon Kim, Chairman of FFWPU-Japan, Yong-cheon Song, Deputy-chief of True Mother's secretariat Dr. Young-ho Yoon, leaders from other religions and Cheon Il Guk leaders. The Special Banquet was led by Dr. Young-ho Yoon (Master of Ceremony (MC)) in the following order: opening remarks by MC, offering of flowers by Rev. Kyeong-seok Ryu, cake cutting and offering of gifts by Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon's Secretariat Wonju McDevitt, Chairman Yong-cheon Song and Vice President of FFWPU-Korea, Gil-nam Park. After that there was an invocation by Dr. Ki-hoon Kim, a screening of the commemorative video and a reading of True Parents' message at the '2017 International Rally to Promote the Peaceful Reunification of the Korean Peninsula'. Next there was a special report by Rev. Kyeong-seok Lu, a victory toast by Chairman of UPF International Dr.

Thomas Walsh and a banquet. This was followed by sharing of testimony, entertainment, three cheers of Eog Mansei by Chairman Yong-cheon Song, Gyeong-bae (bow) and finalized with closing remarks.

Rev. Kyeong-seok Lu said in the special report, "It was a precious event for True Parents, the returning Lord, to present a vision of one family under God at the 'International Rally to Promote the Peaceful Reunification of the Korean Peninsula'" and then he said "We established a foundation to start the new era through the 'International Rally to Promote the Peaceful Reunification of the Korean Peninsula' in the wake of the 'Hope for Korea! National Harmony and Unity Spearhead Rally' held in April this year, and it was followed by Japan, Thailand and the United States. Based on this success, he encouraged participants make a determination to march forward across the continents of Africa, Europe and Asia to usher the whole world into a brand-new era in True Parents' teaching.

After the banquet, entertainment was provided by vocalists, ACLC choir, and Little Angels. The ACLC choir set the stage for the main hall to truly celebrate the victory with a delightful song in the unique style and free spirit of an American choir.

The 'National Pastors Assembly in Korea' was held at Cheon Jeong Gung Museum at 10:30 a.m. ahead of the banquet.

In the main event, True Parents reminded us of how important this International Rally is and the meaning of it by telling us that this International Rally was the day when They declared Korea as chosen people and True Parents' country and the country of the only begotten daughter which the Christians wished for. After encouraging the church leaders' to prepare for this event they emphasized that FFWPU should expand the movement all over the world in this era of the providential spring and invite all humankind to become filial sons and daughters through the blessing. True Parents also asked participants to achieve the Vision 2020 by becoming tribal messiahs and national messiahs with a mindset 'FFWPU-Korea is the country of religious leader' by improving their performance and spending every moment centered on True Parents.