

# **Unification Church—Europe**

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## **Holy Oak Won Jeon Dedication Ceremony**

Stanton Fitzwarren, United Kingdom, November  $18^{\text{th}}$  , 2010



ore than 40 brothers and sisters, led by our National Leader, Simon Cooper, descended on Stanton Fitzwarren on Thursday 18th November to witness the dedication of the Memorial Woodland Burial site as our National Won Jeon.

President Song graciously performed the ceremony, cutting the tape that surrounded the one acre site with the help of several others armed with scissors. Pres. Song led singing and prayer and then generously sprinkled the perimieter of the site with Holy Salt.

The Dedication ceremony was followed by a Tree Planting ceremony when Pres. Song planted a Hawthorn tree. Others

linged up to add their shovels full of soil.

Several Reginal Leaders from neighbouring regions were present, including Mike Moore of our South West Region.

After the ceremony we retired to the Village Hall where Pres. Song spoke to us and watched a film showing True Father planting the original Oak Tree at ther Holy Ground in 1974.

We then concluded the accasion by enjoying an excellent meal by Kayoko and Kumiko. We are grateful to Chris Frith and his helpers who spent two weekends fencing and generally prepating the site.

Henry Masters



#### **Parents' Matching Convocation**

Gräevenwiesbach, Germany, November 19<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010



ighty people gathered at the Parents' Matching Convocation in Gräevenwiesbach Youth Hostel, Germany, from Friday 19th. to 22nd. November.

On Friday evening, after almost everyone had arrived, Germany's National Leader, Fritz Pipenburg, gave some deep opening words and then the European BFD's Committee Chairperson, Rainer Fuchs, welcomed everyone warmly and gave some clear orientation. Then everyone mingled, getting to know each other and settling into their rooms.

On Saturday, after a very inspiring HDH and morning service given by Lisa Jenssen, four presentations were given during the day, interspersed with time for networking. They were: 'Parents Matching and the CIG standard', by Geros Kunkel, explaining the CIG standard set by True Parents, which is the standard that all candidates should aim for; 'Setting the Tradition of Matching our Children', was an inspiring and clear message given by Rainer Fuchs; 'Matching Support for the Parents', by Tessa Thonett, was given with many examples of real situations that parents often have to deal with when matching their children, and 'Treasures of Heaven Ministry', was a very moving presentation given by Lisa Jenssen, bringing tears to many eyes. As always, many of the parents approached the speakers after their talks to say how helpful and inspiring their words had been. After some testimonies in the evening there was more time given for networking and getting to know the candidates who were presented in a separate private room.

On Sunday, after a very moving HDH and morning service given by Ashley Crosthwaite, three groups with different topics were organized and people could choose the one they preferred to attend. One, led by Geros and Ashley, was for parents who had questions about difficulties their children had with regards to faith or other special situations; another was for parents of Treasures of Heaven, led by Lisa and also Maria Pammer; and the third was for general matching support, a very lively meeting led by Markus and Tessa Thonett. Afterwards there was a Panel Discussion and the Closing Session, where some small gifts were then offered to the BFD's staff. It ended up with a group photo and a delicious lunch.

The parents were encouraged to come to the Convocation even before they had children of Matching age, to learn about this very important tradition that True Parents have bestowed upon us Central Blessed Couples. The parents then often attend 2 or even 3 times, to understand things they may have missed (due to limited English perhaps?) and to also meet new parents of different candidates. On this occasion the majority were coming for the first time.

The atmosphere was always good, familiar and easy. One mother was impressed by the harmony and feeling of love that was among the BFD's staff, and many expressed satisfaction concerning the program in general. One father stood and declared his gratitude and appreciation for the level of professionalism and loving attention of the staff, asking everyone to give a large round of applause, which was given for longer than was necessary.

Parents felt grateful for all the efforts and good give and take at the Convocation and also for the understanding and precious advise we received - thank you!



#### **Public Sunday Service**

## Birmingham, United Kingdom, November 21st, 2010



Marcianne's Prayer for Peace

Three generations together



Elisabeth's song from the heart

Songf of praise

e held our public service for November on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> at the Living Waters Hall in Handsworth, joined by a number of our close Christian friends, young and old, representing the Catholic, Baptist and Pentecostal denominations. We can really feel that our worship together, not just different denominations but also generations and races, is very meaningful for God.

After welcoming remarks from our excellent MC, Rev Alfred O'Connor, our young people (Tommy, Virginia and Grace) led us in music and singing. We all said part of the Family Pledge together, then our guests offered a song and prayers for peace. Elisabeth, a young Catholic, sang a beautifully moving song 'He Wants It All' by Forever Jones, ably accompanied on guitar by Tommy Pritty. Then one of our Christian elders, Jean, read 2 short prayers by Cardinal John Henry Newman: 'O Lord Support Us' and 'The Fragrance of Christ', followed by Marcianne from Cameroon who prayed spontaneously, particularly for God to help people find true peace in the husband/wife relationship and in each family.

Next, Alfred gave a short message specifically for the younger members of our congregation, followed by our Bible readings which Virginia and Grace read for us. Pastor David Earle then spoke in his message about the government's idea of a Big Society, giving more responsibility to people at the local and community level. He suggested that this political initiative could only really develop in society if the roles of Family and Faith were strengthened, something which Rev Moon and the Family Federation have been trying to promote in various ways over the years. Coming from a 'village upbringing' he longed for the revival of the geographical community and neighbourhood, even in our cities, where people get to know their neighbours much more, look out for one another, and send more time caring for one another's wellbeing. He emphasized Jesus' 2 great commandments, our love for God and neighbour, and suggested we find simple ways of putting the Principles we believe in into practice on a day-to-day basis, to help develop 'The Big ...Community'.

Following our worship, we enjoyed a lot of informal sharing and socializing, amply supplied with tea, coffee and cakes by Marie, Theresa, Friederike, Eunice ....

We are gradually developing our own 'Big Community' through a real collective effort on everyone's part. Thank you for the music, the flower arrangements, the Sunday School, and all the little things that make for such a good experience. Until we meet again ...!



## **Blessing Activities - Olga Hammett-Bosman**

Glory House, The Netherlands, October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2010



n a Newsletter for the members in the Netherlands, our National Leader Hans Campman, suggested we 'pre-Bless' couples.

His suggestion touched my heart. After a couple of days, my plan was clear. First, the home-church area should be approached. The goal was 7 couples as a foundation.

After this, I asked spiritual world for guidance to find more couples. The results were great. To work together with the spiritual world is exciting. The couples were all much honored to be asked and during the drinking of the Holy Juice I could feel God's love for them. The pictures which were made show their happiness after the ceremony. The couples were really prepared by spiritual world. One couple wanted to dress for the ceremony as if they were to be married again, so serious they felt. Now there are 37 couples on the list.

Second, was go out fundraising and meet other people. In this way I met a Catholic priest, who was very happy 'to be engrafted on the real Olive tree' by drinking the Holy Juice. He has now followed a one-day-workshop and is feeling close to us. He also introduced me to a Baptist minister and a Dutch Reformed min-

ister. In January the National Leader will give them both a lecture. This group of religious leaders will expand.

Third group: for many years I have been breeding dogs, Golden Retrievers. Before people can buy a puppy from me, I have to know their situation at home and by that I judge whether they are able to give the puppy a good home. I invited from this group to a reunion and the Blessing in Glory House. Most of them were already pre-Blessed. On 24<sup>th</sup> of October, 12 couples were blessed by the National Leader. The second group are invited for the 16<sup>th</sup> of January 2011 with the same Blessing programme.

I approach all the people saying: "The UPF is searching for couples who want to live for each other and be faithful. The family is the starting point for world peace. Sun Myung Moon is the founder of the UPF. He wants to create a world where we can live in peace as one family, with respect for all races, religions, etc. Your family is chosen to be honored as a good family".

With warm greetings, Olga Hammett-Bosman The Netherlands

### **Blessed Couples Workshop Empowers Old and Young Couples**

Tirana, Albania, November 5<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010



he first weekend of November was very special for the community of blessed couples and families in Albania, because they could participate in the first workshop "Living in the Four Great Realms of Heart". The lecturers of the workshop were Ashley and Susan Crosthwaite a blessed couple that are also responsible for Blessing Department of Great Britain and assistant at European Blessing Department.

The program was organized in the form of a workshop where there were time for couple exercises and sharing. Those who attended as a couple (around 12) could benefit mostly, while the other members could attend the lectures, enjoy the atmosphere and reflect on their future relationship with their spouses.

A group of lectures were about the Four Great Realms of Heart, while the other part were about 5 Languages of Love, The Heart Power Program, and a lot of time for question-answer, reflection and singing together.

The second day of the workshop started with celebration of the

Holy Days of True Children and the Nation of the Unified World. The members of Tirana center prepared the offering table with a lot of Korean style cooking.

The last day, Sunday, was really the culmination of workshop which was concluded with a symbolic ceremony of hand over of blessing department leadership from of Sokol and Suzana Rexhepi couple to Marjeta Rroshi, who will be assisted by Manjola Vasmatics and Mika Duraku.

The Crosthwaite couple gave the maximum and even beyond their possibilities while they continued with individual counseling with couples and individuals till after midnight. Not only we felt blessed by their love as an old blessed family, but even they felt at home while they shared their experience on their visit in Albania. We hope to have the chance to invite them again for another workshop.

We thank Heavenly Father and True Parents that enabled us to have such a workshop.



### Four Day Divine Principle Workshop

Tirana, Albania, November 26<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup>, 2010













e are very pleased to send you the report on the 4-day DP workshop held from 26 to 29 November 2010 in our training centre in Mullet, near Tirana, the capital of Albania. In deed this turned out to be a regional workshop as five guests from Bulgaria joined the 60 participants of the workshop.

It was the last one for 2010 and all UC centres invested a lot to bring as many new people as possible to receive the New Truth. When in such an environment full of young people that are studying Divine Principle full of enthusiasm and watch their life changing in a few days there is no way to escape a feeling of pride to be part of the big family of True Parents. In such circumstances automatically you have the feeling to go out in the centre of the city and witness loudly that the Messiah is on earth. You have the desire to share it with all the human family.

The atmosphere was high all throughout the workshop. Wherever you looked there were happy faces that reflected sincerity, goodness and love. This is the best foundation to receive new life from the truth. The small working groups were always sharing and looked very united and in harmony. Questions and lively discussions and the desire to clarify every detail were common. The tem leaders were constantly concerned for their members and caring for details.

The lecturers and all the supporting staff tried to give their best, hoping that all workshop participants would, one day, became True Parents' followers and sons and daughters of Heavenly Father who will take responsibility for the nation. We wish all those who received the truth from God can embody it in their daily life and share it with the others.

#### Below are some of their reflections:

"The truth is that in this moment I am feeling very calm... I don't know where this (feeling) comes; wait... I know... There comes a moment in life when you do not know who you are, where do you come from and why I am so full with information. Why all this information is accepted? All because, in every walk of life there is an expert. Some time ago I wanted and I looked for a single answer that could make me happy and peaceful. I did not want to be dispersed (or confused) in everything that I saw. Probably it was this spiritual emptiness, this harmony of ideas, knowledge that the world contains but that it was coming to me in such a vain and cold way. I know I will have a lot of questions, I know I'd like to find answers for everything that I don't understand, but I now have a way, and a mean to do that. I will do it because I feel happy and peaceful." - Erina Cani - Tirana

"Honestly I received these lectures some time ago but not in a regular way. The facts are clear but since human beings have fallen (I am fallen too) it is difficult. Maybe I will need time to assure myself, to fully proclaim: I can be a forth Adam, since True Parents are the third one. This is a place where you find yourself even better than home and I am fully convinced about it since you find here something much more human. I'd wish with all my soul to keep it and pass it over throughout all my life this feeling." - Ervina Meta-Tirana

"When I first met this organisation everything seemed so whirled and I was questioning myself "will I be able to understand why I am part of FFWPU?". These four days will certainly remain in my mind for a long time. I will remember them as the days when I came, I learnt a lot about God and how close He is to me. I could find the answer to many questions that I was wishing to find. Beside the lectures I cannot help but mention the fact that I was surrounded by people who filled me up with love." - Anisa Bahiti - Elbasan

"The most impressive thing is the way that I came to this workshop. One morning I defined it as 'an accident with resurrection consequence'. We watch many negative news on TV: murders, woundings, conflicts, accidents etc that result in light wounding, heavy wounding or even death. My accident I believe is experienced the same by everyone, especially by new members – a resurrecting accident. This seems absurd, contradictory but that is the way God works with us."

- Resmi Xholi – Shkodër

"It is my first time in such a workshop. I don't know how my writing is, since my hands are trembling. I am trembling at the end of this lecture where the great truth was proclaimed in front of me. I am here in the most strange way but in the same time, most amazing way in the world. When I think of it all, I can sense God's plan, how Heavelny Father is working with us. If I say I am happy now, this is too little. But I was thinking about my blindness even though I lived on principles. Now my greatest desire is to start to work with my character, to become a true individual with divine value. I want to fight! I will suffer, I know, because I live amidst people who do not follow values and principles, but my heart and my mind belongs to Heavenly Father now. I was amazed by the life story of the Messiah. I'd like to experience the gaze and the touch of that man; his parental hand where true human values are embodied; what God envisioned for us (when he created us)." - Romina Toska - Tirana

"Through this workshop I could understand that God never leaves us alone even though we think the opposite. The seminar gave me an immense energy that makes me think that I can do everything. You are enwrapped by the desire to do good and influence positively to others. When I think about it I can't believe how lucky am I. Heavenly Father gave me a great responsibility and such a great blessing." - Mariglen Shani – Lushnja





## **One Day Divine Principle Seminar**

Turin, Italy, November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2010

n Sunday 28 November, 2010 the eighth One Day Divine Principle Seminar was held at the Turin FFUPM centre. The two parallel programmes (introductory and advanced) were moderated by Maurizio Evaristo and Gabriella Mieli Ambrosioli respectively. Morning and afternoon sessions began with several songs together before dividing into the respective study groups. The teachers for the first programme, (Patrizia Olivero Kerschbaummayr, Mario Aguiari, Sabrina Servadio and Maurizio Evaristo) presented the core contents of the Principle concluding with the declaration of the Second Coming, while the teachers for the second programme (Giuseppe Russo and Jane Evaristo) presented a more in-depth study of the Three Blessings as a Model for True Happiness and an examination of the person and works of Rev. Moon through

film, testimony and excerpts from his recently published autobiography.

The community, as always, provided the staff for the event, a small army of helpers who prepared the environment, equipment, refreshments and welcomed the guests.

This time we were able to create a more personal relationship with our guests through listening to their reflections and desires regarding future programmes. There was the feeling that everyone was following a certain path of faith together and this was certainly positive.

Jane Evaristo, Education Minister, FFWPU, Turin. Giuseppe Russo, Pastor, FFWPU, Turin.



## **Pure Love Dedication Ceremony**

Rome, Italy, December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2010



ecember 12th. "Pure Love Dedication Ceremony" for the 2nd generation. About 40 children attended with their parents. Very inspiring was the participation of a girl, school friend of a 2nd gen sister, that was witnessed by her and decided to participate in the pure love ceremony.



## First Meeting in Our Village

Chaumont - Gistoux, Belgium, November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2010



ast week we went house by house to visit our neighbours and invite them for a first meeting at home.

Yesterday 6 of them came, for some it was the first opportunity to meet as they did not know each others even they were living very close.

After everybody introduce himself, I explained that the purpose of the meeting is not just to meet but to learn and build something together and I introduce our movement and his founder briefly. The topic we choose to discuss was about the Spirit World, does a life after life exist!

We realised that the levels of the participants were very different, some people were very deep but others were to simple and did not understand really what we are talking about.

From this experience we have now to see how we can continue and with who, and look for new people with a good level.

Philippe

#### **Divine Principle Workshop**

Madrid, Spain, November 21st, 2010



e had a beautiful, interesting and intense workshop whose title has been ESSENTIALS FOR DEVELOP-ING, ENJOY AND LIVE A LIFE OF TRUE LOVE.

The seminar started on Friday night, November 19, and concluded on Sunday 21 after lunch.

The concept of True Love was presented, explaining that the purpose of man is joy, which is achieved through harmonious relationships. This Harmony in Nature is achieved by the respect that people have to natural law, inserted into their genetic programs. However, the Human Being has a force more powerful than the Natural Law, which is the Force of Love. This force will make you more aware and therefore achieve a greater degree of joy than that of other beings, but if it is wrongly used (False Love) it generates conflict, pain, destruction and great unhappiness.

What is True Love? It is a force that unites us with what surrounds us (ourselves, other humans, nature) in order to make him grow, while respecting its essence.

When not done, when we try to abuse our bodies, others (parents, children, friends, employees, bosses, spouse, etc.) or nature, conflict occurs because we are using a false love, a love that exploits others, which uses others or nature in our selfish benefit.

Next day, after breakfast. the issue "Why False Love appeared in Humanity?" was addressed, presenting a new interpretation of the Fall of Adam and Eve and their relationship to the Love False.

Connecting with this issue Grazyna presented, "Where is the border between Freedom and Infidelity in couples?"

It was an excellent presentation and as soon as I receive it in word, I will add it to our web page.

Then we went for a walk in nature and Plat explained ideas on the transmutation of sexual energy and we had a long exercise of what might be called Yoga Maya.

Upon returning we talked on the issue of the History of Restoration of True Love across the ages and the role played by religions in this regard and in particular on the central line of restoration from Abel to Jesus.

Plat addressed the issue of the history of creation before Adam and Eve and then we went on an intensive exercise to identify and eliminate the shortcomings in our lives.

After he shared with us different songs (he is a great singer), which we accompanied with dancing, and finally, after dinner, we had a lively discussion on how each of us perceive our nature ("Ye are gods") and to what extent we assume responsibility thereafter.

On Sunday Plat and Quetzalda directed some Maya exercises connecting us to the rising sun, which filled us with energy.

Then we dealt with the role of individual responsibility by analyzing a new interpretation of the relationship between Jesus and John the Baptist.

Finally, Plat addressed the issue of the Mayan Prophecies for 2012-2013 and then he and his wife Quetzalda, led us to beautiful exercises to transmute energy.

Then we made a final round of presentations of all present. After lunch, we shared the final talk, hugs and goodbye.

## The Culture of Marriage

Madrid, Spain, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010













arriage is a very important step to be taken in our life. It needs a man and a woman to have the desire to start a new life together with the Blessing of God. Knowing that marriage it is so important; we decided to have a seminar to proclaim its value and the best ways to keep it solid and unbreakable. We invited expert ladies to give us more education on the subject.

② Our educational part started with the **Opening Remarks** given by the UPF Secretary General Mr. **Armando Lozano**. He spoke about: "the divorce express and it bad consequences. Also about the different content of our movies today were families are often separated, remarried, divorce and so. Before, in the seventies and eighties the movie ended with the couple in love and the beautiful wedding. Marriage life and its commitment are very easy to be broken and dissolved in our days. We have to do something to change this situation."

☑ The first presentation was given by the Coordinator of WAIT/ Spain, Mrs. Sara del Monte Imoto. Her topic was: "The Moral Sexual Education for Young People" she said: "The sexual purity before marriage is a guarantee for the couple itself not to have any physical, emotional or spiritual complication when they start their relationship in marriage. They know that they are the first ones in this conjugal relationship so that every emotion and experience for both sides is new, unique and very special."

2 Mrs. **Shapiry Hakami**, President of the Afghanistan Women's Rights Association in Spain.

Her topic was: "General Advices to Save Marriage." She said that: "One of the secrets to be happy in marriage is to learn to forgive our partner, because while we keep our resentment or hate, it is impossible to be happy. To say sorry in any conflict is an attitude of wise and intelligent people. To avoid arguing, it is better to discuss things and think properly what we are going to say, before saying it. In our relationship we have to offer to our partner love, respect, trust, patience, understanding all the elements that we would like to receive ourselves. Keep our positive and constructive mind in our judgments."

Mrs. Ana María Reynés. Professional Educator for couples, families and groups in the PRH International Foundation. Her topic was: "How to care our relationship so that can be built it and in constant growth." She said that: "There are

ways to prevent that our relationship might die or be damage like:

- To avoid "the cancer" that is to say our egocentric movements.
- Not to fall in the attitude of mistrust, fear, and unnecessary negative ideas.

Marriage is an adventure of constant investment and care. It is way to enrich ourselves and our society."

Mrs. María Ángeles García-Zarco Martínez. A lawyer for cases of home violence and a professional educator for couples in relationships with conflicts. She is as well a member of the LDS Church in Madrid. Her topic was: "The Destructive Culture of Divorce." She said that:

"Children and adults are suffering from traumas an depression when they have this parents' divorce experience and always the divided partner get into an emotional situation that often they have to go to a therapist or a physiatrist doctor to take a methods or medicines to cure them. Even with that, the trauma remains for ever in their hearts.

☑ The Closing Remarks were given by Mrs. Silvia Cerrada Jiménez, vice-president of AEPODMUS, and the Family Forum of Muslims in Spain. She said that: "The family in our global society is very important but in these days is in a severe crisis. We need the efforts of everyone so that together we can avoid the conflicts between husband and wife, parents and children and between brothers and sisters. We need to protect marriages and families; it is our common duty to overcome our differences in concepts and manners and to pursue the goal of a better world made by everyone, day by day."

② Our cultural part was illuminated by the view of a video of *The Little Angels of Korea*. We explain to the participants the vision of the Founder Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon.

At the end we enjoy together a very tasty apple cake made by four ladies that this time with a generous heart volunteered to do it

I would like to express my deepest gratitude for everyone that made possible this Seminar.

Mercedes González



#### The Providence of Restoration

Madrid, Spain, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2010



e have meet as every week for the Divine Principle Lecture, we are happy that more members participate, and give the spiritual support to the lecture, and also receive the content of the truth. Even if the subject was special for new guests, eventually they were satisfied to learn new facts about history.



## **Divine Principle Conference**

Madrid, Spain, November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010



ur lecturer Jose Manuel explained about the history seen from Principle point of view, and how God has worked during the whole history to reach this point where man can fullfill the ideal of God's creation. He spoke also about the importance of create families to fulfill this ideal. It was an interesting exposition and the audience stayed a long time asking questions and talking about the subject.

We are greatfull of the members support, interest, and assistance. Because it is a ood condition that many members (17 came during the week, for support the event).



## **Divine Principle Conference - Jesus of Nazareth**

Madrid, Spain, November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2010



e are concentrating both in giving an attractive conference and also creating a closer relationship with guests, especially when they come for the first time. Guests were asking questions with a good and open attitude. This time came a interesting new guest. She is a strong Christian person. She came for the lecture about Jesus, and the Divien Principle point of view. She give her adress, and noe we can contact her, for other events.



Madrid, Spain, November 27<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup>, 2010



wo couples already blessed in February came and they are very to deeper their understanding of Divine Principle. Also a young man attended the lectures; he has a special sensitivity and spiritual experiences. On Sunday the families of the Madrid Community came also to the training centre for Sunday Service.



## **Principle Conference - "A True Character Education"**

Madrid, Spain, November 27<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup>, 2010



e had first the talk and after a round of questions and opinions by the attendants. We all agreed about the necessity of improving the standard of education.



## **Divine Principle seminar - Principle of Creation**

Barcelona, Spain, December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2010



ith the title "Connecting with my divine essence" on December 10 at 7:30 PM our sister Francesca Maza gave lecture on the principles of the creation. She explained the Give and Receive law, cause and effect, as well as the identity of God as the Universal Prime Energy. Among the attendees we had people from different faiths, including a Jewish woman, two Muslims, two Roman Catholic, a spiritualist and an agnostic. Also some 7 members were able to attend.

## **Original Divine Principle Seminar**

Barcelona, Spain, December 5<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010





n Sunday 5 and Monday 6 – (holiday in Barcelona), Spain – we had the second part of the seminar of the Original Divine Principle, we count with the presence of Mario Magáz who came from Madrid expressly to teach. And all families organized participation turn for their very young children, while a young second generation couple organized for children from 10 to 17 years a workshop for those two days.

Some brothers of Andorra also came specifically to participate.

The seminar was organized in two conferences in the morning and two in the afternoon, in the intermediate share experiences and issues, and some exercises in stretchin.

We share lunch all together families with children who came from his workshop. On Monday we had a Muslim guest -Antony Mohamed- he is participating in our Sunday services since over a month ago.



## **Divine Principle Seminar - "Taking Steps Towards Happiness"**

Madrid, Spain, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2010







his time Armando Lozano, director of UPF gave the lecture. As many of the new guests coming to the Divine Principle lectures came before to the UPF activities, he wishes to participate also as a lecturer. Today, attracted by the appealing subject, 8 new guest attended the conference. We want to keep educating the new guest looking for the ones that can understand more the Divine Principle and True Parents words.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation - To Teach Divine Principle to their Friends

Madrid, Spain, December 4<sup>th</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup>, 2010



few second generation decided to invite some of their friends to study Divine Principle and also share time together. We had 4 guests, 2 of them stayed only one day. One of them belongs to the Sidhha Yoga foundation. We had 3 lectures of the principles of creation (1st chapter), and one last inspirational lecture given by David Piqué. Saturday after-lunch we had time to enjoy paintball, near the ws center.

We are planning to hold this kind of workshops, once a month with the idea, to have some spiritual nourishment for the blessed children with the option to invite their friends and introduce them our movement and its folks.



## 2nd Generation Workshop - "Experiencing God"

Barcelona, Spain, December 5<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010





hile the 2<sup>nd</sup> part of the Original Divine Principle workshop was being held in Barcelona over a two day period, 2nd generation from ages 10 to 17 came together for a workshop with the theme "Experiencing God". Most of the 13 participants made a one-hour journey to come; two participants even came from Andorra.

Lectures by Kyong Bok Rodriguez Rausis were given side by side

with activities to break the ice. The topics of the lectures were: Controlling negative emotions, Self-esteem, Inner conflict, We are what we do

Before the workshop ended, each participant wrote down goals that they felt they needed to set in order to become a better person.



### Meeting with Baha'i Community

Zagreb, Croatia, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010







hen I joined the church 1993, as full time member, I invested a lot of my time and efforts in street witnessing. Through these activities I could find many good contacts and guests.

When I started family life, as many other members to, I couldn't continue Witnessing in this way. Life just became too busy-daily work, family etc. In the same time I felt, in my heart, that something is missing.

We, as blessed members, people who know the Heavenly secrets and truth- that Messiah, True King of Heaven and earth is with us, have heavenly mission to proclaim this to the world. But, how to do this? How to find enough time and inspiration in our busy lives and testify about True Parents?

After some time I got inspiration to start my on-line ministry. I created this 2 blogs: <a href="http://danielgi.bloger.hr/">http://danielgi.bloger.hr/</a> (50.000 visit') and <a href="http://revsunmyungmoon.bloger.hr/">http://revsunmyungmoon.bloger.hr/</a> In this blogs I witness directly about True Parents and about their Heavenly teaching. In this way I could really meet some very good people,

spiritually open, and witness to them who True Father is.

As result of all this investment and efforts, recently I could meet one very nice couple from Baha'i community. We could meet and share very openly about our teachings and about True Parents. I also gave my personal testimony. We become very good friends through this and as result I was invited to attend their special celebration- Birthday of their founder - Bahá'u'láha.

Now, I have very good relationship and friendship with a few Baha'i members. They even ordered from me 3 copies of True Father's autobiography. I planning to invite them to our events, and step by step involve them in our interfaith activities and events.

I hoping that, in this way, they can support True Parents and Providence in our country.

Thank you very much Central blessed family Perhat, Croatia



## **One Day Divine Principle Workshop**

Brno, The Czech Republic, November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010



e had a beautiful One day DP seminar in Olomouc – the city in Central Moravia. November 17<sup>th</sup> was a Wednesday, but in the Czech Republic it is a national holyday. We had alltogether 11 guests from different spiritual backgrounds. All guests came from one elder sister, and from that part of our region. I shared lecturing with one other elder sister, who helped me with one part of the Principle of Creation. We felt that the spirit world was really helping, to take care of our guests. We concluded with the Second Coming and showed them the video "Sun Myung Moon – A life dedicated to Peace." And as the final conclusion they all recieved a cup of Holy wine together with an explanation about the Blessing and an invitation to more seminars. The response from the audience was very positive – we were also answering many questions. Almost everyone expressed great surprise over the discovery of this new truth. So our next duty is to continue to accompany the guests on their path to knowledge and the fulfillment in their lives.

By Petr Samochin - Brno community leader

### One Day Divine Principle Workshop

Prague, The Czech Republic, December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010



he community of the Prague Church held on Saturday December 4<sup>th</sup> 2010 a 1 Day DP Workshop. One of the 3 guests was a student from the University of Pardubice, who studies Religion. She picked up the Unification Church, and is studying us for the whole semester and will write a paper about us. She was very grateful that she could attend this workshop, and said that she was moved. She would like to study more and come to our next 5 Day DP Workshop.



## **Public Lecture at University**

Prague, The Czech Republic, November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2010



n November 5<sup>th</sup> 2010 we held at the University a public lecture, entitled "What is Conscience?". The lecture was given by Mr. Rainer Fuchs, our Sub-regional Director. The audience was moved, once we entered into the depth of the Principle. And some of our guests were so happy that we explain about God being the motivator of our conscience. There was a lively discussion after, and the guests were invited to study more about our thoughts at the upcoming 1 Day DP Workshop. At this dorm building, CARP has the possibility, to have at their disposition a lecture room every second Friday for free. This gives CARP members a good opportunity, to do natural outreach.



## Meeting with Parents and European Second Generation Dep.

Prague, The Czech Republic, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010



n November 6<sup>th</sup> 2010 came to visit our nation the European 2ndGen Dept. Gerus Gunkel and Martin Alexy gave a presentation to the parents about the possibilities that are offered on the European level for the education of blessed children. The audience was very attentive and interested. In our nation we have around 140 blessed children and most of them are under the age 13. Through this we can make good plans, how to raise up the children until they are able to attend the Junior HARP workshops (from age 14). At this time also we created a new Junior HARP group, which will start to function from December 2010 under the responsibility of Marcela Gregůrková and Andrej Uhnák.



### **One Day Divine Principle Seminar**

Ticino, Switzerland, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010



n November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010 here in the southern part of Switzerland, the "Unificationist Community" organized a one-day workshop of the Divine Principle, which was meant to give a deeper insight of our religious beliefs to our best friends and UPF associates who regularly came to our events. It was not an "open-to-everybody" kind of seminar, where all can come and watch what is going on. Over many months we carefully prepared on a personal basis the people we wanted to invite, and in order to organize the date, we arranged it far in advance to give the opportunity to so that everyone we invited could attend.

As lecturers we had Mauro Sarasso from Italy, and Giuseppe Termine, president of UPF Ticino. However, we specified in our invitation letter that this Divine Principle study-day was organized privately and not under the association of UPF, even though some of the themes of the Divine Principle might already have been touched in some of the public UPF conferences.

Out of the about 10 people who were invited, 8 came to the seminar, which was held in a restaurant. We received the nice hall at no cost, because we were meant to eat lunch in the same restau-

rant. Our guests arrived all punctually, and we could start without any delay and keep the whole program in perfect timing. Everybody was absolutely serious.

Our guest from Africa who is a University student, received a simultaneous translation from Italian into English.

Helped by the wonderful new power-point presentation, we tried to experiment a completely new style of seminar, starting with the introduction about the second coming of the Messiah, and telling directly who he is! On the basis of that, our central belief was explained, an overview of all of the Divine Principle was presented. We had 4 lecturing sessions, each one followed by a question and answer moment. All of the Unificationists were really amazed about the deepness and spirituality of the participants. In the final discussion even the themes of "Blessing" and "Change of blood-lineage" were touched.

In the days after the seminar we received several letters of gratitude, showing strong desire to deepen the insight of what was presented on Sunday. This kind of spiritual awakening is telling us, that THE HARVEST



## **Sunday Service - Review latest Providential Developments**

Geneva, Switzerland, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010



n Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2010, our small office in Geneva was overflowing with members from as far away as Biel (Chantal Komagata, UPF secretary general, and her son, Nicolas) and Belmont (Heiner and Carolyn Handschin, our national leaders, their son Jesse, his wife Mie and third generation, Mizuki), as well as many first and second generation from in and around Geneva. Brigitte Sillitoe gave a PowerPoint presentation concerning the current difficulties facing our movement and this was followed by part of a video of a sermon by Hyung Jin Nim in which he alludes to these difficulties. Heiner also gave some clarifications on these important issues. Afterwards, Alan Sillitoe gave a short presentation of the KPI reporting system with a view to getting more feedback from everyone regarding their activities and encouraging participation in outreach.



#### **Community Meeting**

Zurich, Switzerland, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2010





very second Sunday we have our Sunday-Service in Zürich for all community members. This means, that we have 3 or 4 Sunday-sevices at the same time. Our district leader Winfried Schwager welcomed all participants and after some songs, we separated the different groups. The CARPies and HARPies made their own service and also the smaller and bigger kids met with Selina and Eliane for Sunday School.



#### **HARP Weekend**

Zurich, Switzerland, November 27<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup>, 2010



t the weekend end November there was a HARP-meeting in Buchs (Kanton St. Gallen) at the family Berneggers house. We got great support from Marion Bernegger, who also cooked for us wonderful meals.

The leading figures of the meeting was C. (for the sisters) and W. (for the brothers).

After a indroduction session we had a separated meeting for brothers and sisters to discuss about deeper things. Also they gave us guidance, how we can man-age difficult situations at school, work ect.

At the evening, we enjoyed the DVD-film "Facing the Giants". After Sunday-Morning HDH we wrote reflections and made a cleaning up.



## **Half Day Divine Principle Seminar**

Pammer Family, Steyr, Austria, November 27<sup>h</sup>, 2010



n November 27<sup>th</sup> 2010 the ninth seminar with four guests took place. The topic was "Die Geschichte wiederholt sich" ("History repeats itself"). The seminar included historical parallels of Judaism and Christianity, as well as the question: "Has God stopped to work at that time?" The subjacent purpose of history lies in the overcoming of the fallen nature and the creation of an environment, in which the Messiah can come and will be accepted. The question of one guest during the break was: "How often will it be necessary for history to repeat itself, before the Heavenly Kingdom on Earth will be established?"

The focus of our work in our hometown Steyr in 2010 is the ten-part sequence of seminars "Glaube und Wirklichkeit" (Faith and Reality). The presentations are prepared by Bogdan Pammer especially based on the Original Divine Principle Seminar with Rev. Jeong Og Yu in San Marino. The PowerPoint slides of every presentation are available on our blog <a href="http://fampam.wordpress.com">http://fampam.wordpress.com</a>, to allow everybody, who did not hear all parts of the ten-part sequence, to catch up.



## Day of Witnessing with Book-Table and Stand

Oslo, Norway, November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010 and December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2010



ine members participated in our monthly day of witnessing in Oslo city centre on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> November. We gave out leaflets, coffee and ginger biscuits! Despite it being a cold and grey day, there was a great spirit and we had many deep and inspiring conversations with the citizens of Oslo.



ight members participated in our monthly day of witnessing in Oslo city centre on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> December. We talked with many people and distributed leaflets and hot coffee!



## **Unification Newsletter - Information for Associated Members**

Oslo, Norway, November 20<sup>th</sup> , 2010



e are proud to announce the launching of our new unification newsletter! The main purpose is to give information to our new associate members about worldwide activities and also activities here in Norway. We hope that this will be a tool that will support and inspire our members in their efforts to achieve our witnessing goals.