Bay Area Family Church letter to members: We are now Heavenly Parents Church

Kevin Thompson April 10, 2020

Dearest brothers and sisters,

I hope you're holding up well and keeping your spirits high. As I said in Sunday Service last week, now is the time to lean into your faith not away from your faith. To do that you have to practice your faith every day. As Rabbi Schneerson said, "we have to feed our faith." So I hope you are doing that on a daily basis as well as taking care of your health.

Now would be a good time for us all to repent on the behalf of mankind for the lifestyle that we have been living and the heartbreak that we have brought the God. Some of it is personal but as members of True Parents family let us repent that True Parents haven't yet been accepted in the world. To solve the pandemic we need scientific breakthroughs but, as True Mother told us we need God to intervene. We get God's attention when we repent. Repentance separates mankind form Satan.

Let us be clear that True Mother is doing well and very much still in charge of our movement. Yes, she has called for a change in the name of our church to "Heavenly Parents Church." This is exactly in one with what True Father said in 1981.

"The religion of the son, which represents the desire of all religions throughout the Old Testament Age and New Testament Age, should be connected to the religion of the servant and the religion of the adopted son. At the same time, the religion of the son should reach the realm of the religion of the parents and form one system that can be recognized officially by God and the spirit world. When that happens, the unification of worldwide Christianity will be accomplished automatically." 113-098, 1981.05.01, p. 272

Let us have faith that True Mother is being guided directly by God and in communication with True Father is guiding the providence forward correctly. Let us have absolute faith and absolute obedience and absolute love at this time.

This week was the 60th wedding anniversary of True Parents. We already celebrated earlier this year along with Foundation Day. Congratulations to True Parents. It is through the Marriage Supper of the Lamb that the Blessing stands upon.

Please pray for our frontline essential workers. We have many nurses in our church community and they are right there with sick patients. They have families and are going out every day and being potentially exposed. Please pray for all those who are keeping us safe, supplied and healthy.

Today is Good Friday in the Christian calendar. This is the day that Jesus was crucified because he couldn't find faith on earth. Even his own disciples abandoned him in his hour of need. The great opportunity to build the Kingdom of Heaven while the Messiah was on earth was lost because of the faithlessness of the people whom God prepared. We want to make sure that the same mistake isn't made a second time. Let us pray that the faithful people on earth will be able to read recognize who True Parents are and be able to unite with them.

On Sunday it is Easter. Christians all over the world would typically flock to church on this day. Now with the worldwide pandemic we all have to stay home and attend church online. Headquarters continues to provide a national Sunday Service which is a chance for our continental director, Dr Kim and HSAUWC President, Rev. Dunkley to speak directly to us.

We will have a short meet-up right after the National Service to share inspirations. That will be at 9:00.

Then we will have a BAFC church service at 10:00 on Facebook live.

Thank you for your ongoing tithes and offerings. Please continue with your faithful giving by sending a check directly to the church or you can give online here.

We will send a separate e-mail with all of the connection info for each of these events including two to send your tithe through text.

God bless you all. I look forward to connecting with you in the near future when this is all over. In the meantime, be safe and well.

Pastor Thompson