

59th Day Of All True Things and 67th Anniversary of FFWPU Honors Lists

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With the settlement of Cheon Il Guk, we have welcomed a new era, the era of Heavenly Parent's country. On Sunday, June 13, a Special Gathering in Celebration of the 59th Day of All True Things and the 67th Anniversary of the Founding of FFWPU took place at the Hyojeong Cheonwon Complex.

In a two-way live stream with Cheon Jeong Gung and the Chung Pyung Training Center's Main Hall, the holy day celebrations were broadcast in fifteen languages through the [Peacelink](#) platform. People from all over the world took part in the celebration.

The event started with True Family members and members around the world offering a solemn bow to God. This was followed by messages of gratitude to senior blessed families from the 36-, 72- and 124-couple blessing groups, who have lived lives united with True Parents while overcoming harsh persecution and opposition in order to participate in True Parents' providential course.

Honoring Retirees



The Hyojeong Retirement Ceremony celebrated the lives of people called by Heaven. These pastors gave moving testimonies reflecting on their lives as they received their Retirement Award Plaques of Achievement.

The co-regional presidents of Heavenly Korea expressed their respect and gratitude to the families of senior pastors and younger members who fulfilled their duties and together in harmony sang a song to celebrate this beautiful and glorious day.

This was followed by the Hyojeong Award Ceremony, which consisted of giving ministers that worked fifteen years and thirty-three years the Long Service Award. Also, forty blessed families and pastors who lead exemplary lives embodying hyojeong were selected from thirty-nine districts in seven regions to receive Hyojeong Family Award.

The beautiful life of the hyojeong family, selected by True Mother after long and careful consideration of each district, was shared for all to appreciate during the Hyojeong Sharing time in the service. At the center of all these testimonies was the story of a Japanese missionary to Tanzania that was martyred while in his mission country. The testimony of Missionary Masaki Sasamoto's family touched the hearts of many.

Harmonious Expressions of Love and Hyojeong

The Cheonseung Choir of the Cheon Jeong Gung International Headquarters sang beautiful hymns with hyojeong-inspired lyrics. This special gathering took place in the presence of True Parents of Heaven Earth and Humankind.

Dr. Young-ho Yoon, director-general of the FFWPU International Headquarters, explained the significance of the sixty-seventh anniversary of the founding of FFWPU and shared information on the recent victorious Peace Festival in America, lifting everyone's morale.

The example of filial piety that goes beyond physical space is dedicated to the victorious True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind. Dr. Yun congratulated family members for the blessings they had received and blessed the bright future of the Unification family.

A hyojeong offering was given to the victorious True Parents, whose lives are examples of filial piety beyond physical and spiritual space. After the Hoon Dok Hae reading, which radiated the light of God's will,

True Mother delivered a message of blessings and encouragement to blessed families shedding light on the bright future of the Unification Movement. Cheon Il Guk leaders from the nine regions showed their heart of longing toward True Mother. While True Mother listened to their messages of congratulations and determination with a beautiful smile!

Leaders and other members from around the world sang songs of peace and happiness together with the Little Angels, while reflecting deeply on the precious value and significance of this day in the history of the Unification Movement. Then all together, in closing, they determinedly pledged to become owners and masters that create the new culture and civilization of the Heavenly Parent's Holy Community.

A Truly Sacrificial Life: Masaki Sasamoto



Masaki Sasamoto (1950–1981) was a martyr who lost his life in Tanzania. As a young man in Japan, he was intensely searching for truth. He studied philosophy at Hosei University, and before encountering the Divine Principle, he had studied the Mormon and Jehovah's Witness teachings.

Mr. Sasamoto had artistic talent in sculpture and painting. He enjoyed hiking in the mountains. Once he climbed a mountain during winter and lost his way. In that life-threatening situation, he dug a hole in the snow and waited, expecting death to come, but rescuers found him instead.

Soon after that, he met the Unification Church and joined the Nagano Church in Tokyo on April 10, 1973. As a typical member, he sold flowers and for a time sold ginseng.

He and his wife Chieko were blessed among the 1,800-couple blessing group in Seoul on February 8, 1975, after which he was assigned as a missionary to Malawi. In a testimony he submitted

after having completed three years as a missionary, he wrote, "Upon receiving the assignment as missionary to Malawi, I was puzzled at such an enormous blessing and could not believe that it was real.... "But considering True Parents deep love, I determined to sacrifice myself under any miserable situation, again and again. I left Japan on May 24, 1975, with a stalwart heart, thinking about how to actualize the heart of love and compassion and to meet God and True Parents expectations in Malawi."

He struggled in Malawi, being unable to communicate well with his fellow missionaries and with the local people. Mr. Sasamoto respected Malawians. The established churches, however, and the police persecuted missionaries.



He was known for his prayer life. At times, he would go to a nearby mountain to pray from dawn until midnight. On September 5, 1975, when the police took his fellow missionaries to the police station, Mr. Sasamoto eluded them and went to a mountain to pray. Later, he, too, was arrested and spent three days in jail. He understood that the police had shut down their mission work and he couldn't continue there. Upon his release from jail, he traveled to Zambia to join the missionaries

there. He used his painting skills to create scenes of daily life, which Zambians enjoy and thereby connected with the Zambian people.

During a December 1979 missionary conference in Kenya, Mr. Sasamoto asked if he could transfer to Tanzania. His request was granted. He arrived on July 6, 1980 in Tanzania, a country which had imprisoned the original three missionaries and then deported them. In an effort to make a new start, Mr. Sasamoto climbed Mt. Kilimanjaro, Africa's highest mountain. He was then the only missionary in Tanzania. He was struggling to generate funds, witness and renew his visa, but he persisted. A week before his wife was planning to join him in his mission, inexplicably, his life ended. On December 18, in a confrontation in his home with the police, who were perhaps looking for illegal residents, Masaki Sasamoto was shot twice and died. His body was discovered the following morning.

Three days later, his wife arrived. She identified her husband's remains and then immediately went to pray. Reportedly, she expressed her gratitude to Heavenly Parent for being able to make such a wonderful offering for the sake of Tanzania.

When True Parents heard the news, Father instructed that memorial services be held for Mr. Sasamoto in nations all over the world. True Parents honored Masaki Sasamoto with the title, martyr. He was buried in the nation he served, whose people he had labored to give rebirth.

HyoJeong Blessed Couple Award

HyoJeong Blessed Couple Award Heavenly Korea



From left: District 1: Dong-an Choi and Yang-sun Cho; District 2: Joo-hee Oh and Yuuko Kakutani; District 3: Hiroaki Tokunaga and Byung-mi Park; District 4: Sang-yeol Bae and Geum-man Ra; District 5: Kyung-hee Yang and Misao Itakura; New Korea Special District: Jong-hyung Kim and Kumiko Yamashita

HyoJeong Blessed Couple Award Heavenly Japan



From left: Subregion 1-Yokoyama: Makoto and Li Ming Hua; Subregion 2-Kazuya and Setsuko Okazaki; Subregion 3-Soju and Chiyoko Iwaki; Subregion 4-Yuji and Akiko Baba; Subregion 5-Tadakazu and Nobuko Tsuchiyama; Taiwan-Lo Chien Chang and Tsai Hui Chun

HyoJeong Blessed Couple Award Heavenly USA



From left: New York, Jorg and Ayako Heller; Maryland; David and Kaeleigh Moffitt; Michigan; Dieter and Rojane Jesper; Tennessee; Yuji and Priscilla Agari; Washington; Larry and Akemi Krishnek; Canada; Stoyan and Lilly Tadin

HyoJeong Blessed Couple Award Heavenly Africa



From left: Burkina Faso, Joseph Molobamba Libo and Aguita Nazouma Ouedraogo; Nigeria, George Charles Ikpot and Carmella Ikpot; DR Congo, Mukangu Faustin Nguvulu and Masaki Annie Mponda; Zambia, Fabrice Djimadoum and Gift Mubuso; Rwanda, George Mpamyabigwi and Buhoro Ntinabyura

HyoJeong Blessed Couple Award Heavenly Europe



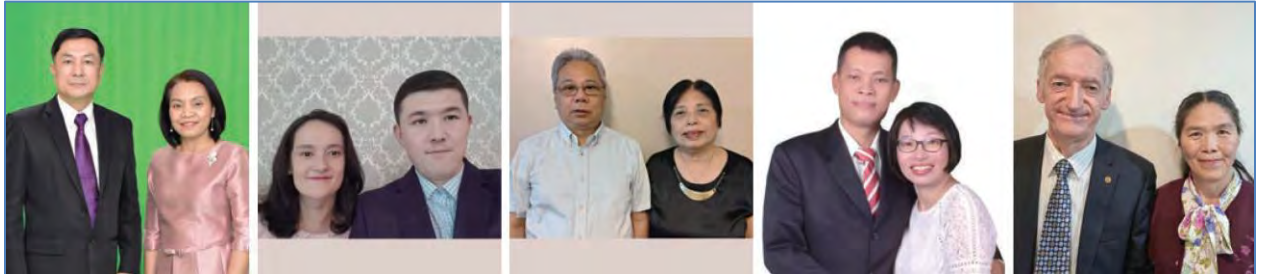
From left: Germany, Albert and Gudrun Mobo; Moldova, Andrei and Diana Esanu; Lebanon, Jong-in and Yola Pak; United Kingdom, Ashley and Susan Crosthwaite; Portugal, Joao and Kiyoko Oliveira; Netherlands, Frans and Elisabeth Baatenburg de Jong

HyoJeong Blessed Couple Award Heavenly Latin America



From left: Brazil, Cesar Zaduski and Celia Regina Zaduski; Argentina, Castellón Héctor Horacio and Duré Galeano Margarita; Bolivia, Jhonny Arturo Corani Ortega and Hilda Montaña Velasquez; Mexico; Victor Castillo and Sayuki Matsuo; Dominican Republic, Colon Valenzuela Jiménez and Aurenice Pereira

HyoJeong Blessed Couple Award Heavenly Asia Pacific



From left: Thailand; Boontawee and Watcharin Kaewlamsak; Kazakhstan, Samat Zinullin and Yekaterina Zinullina; Hong Kong; Michael Wai and Chang Hsiang Lan; Malaysia; You Boon Chuan and Ng Hwee Bee, New Zealand; Geoffrey and Miyuki Fyers

HyoJeong Pastor Award

HyoJeong Pastor Award Heavenly Korea



From left: Subregion 1, Jong-chul Kim and Jeong-soon Jeong; SR 2, Seung-bae Ma and Tae-ok Im; SR3 Sang-heon Lee and Reiko Kashihara; SR4 Doo-kyun Moon and Mal-rye Park; SR5 Chang-hwan Kim and Yoko Fujinema; Heavenly Korea Special Subregion Ji-yeol Han and Jung-hee Ahn

HyoJeong Pastor Award Heavenly Japan



From left: Subregion 1, Nobuyuki and Satoe Nakamura; Subregion 2, Hiroyuki and Yayoi Suzuki; Subregion 3, Shinichi and Satomi Tosa; Subregion 4, Yong-ho Han and Kazumi Kamamoto, Subregion 5: Young-woon Sue and Yuri Kunug; Taiwan, Chen Ming Hsin and Huang Chiu Ping

HyoJeong Pastor Award Heavenly USA



From left: New York, Esteban and Lorna Galvan; Georgia, Levy and Clair Daugherty; Kansas, Peeter and Mieko Saarna, Las Vegas, Nevada, Andrew and Lydia Compton; California, Walter and Suyapa

Frank; Canada, Franco and Chizuru Famularo

HyoJeong Pastor Award Heavenly Africa



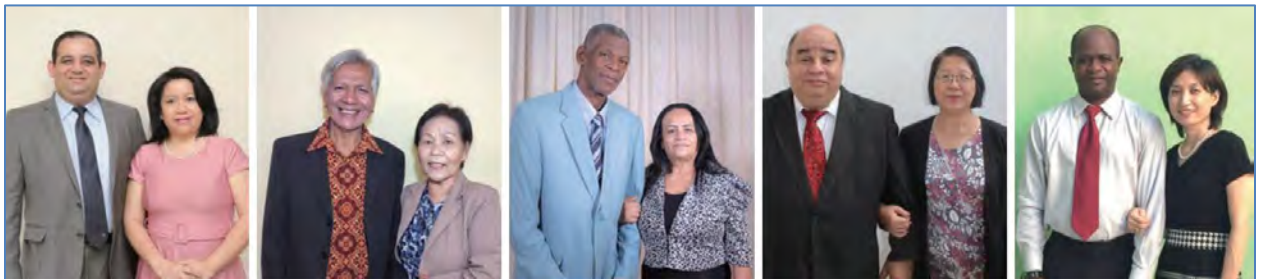
From left: Cote d'Ivoire, Yao Roger Kouakou and Jokebed Drame; Benin, Pascal Anice Degbey and Maria Oliva Caspe Tolentino; DR Congo, Jean Tchibanda and Brigitte Albertine Bouanga; Mozambique, Paluku Mulekya and Biatriz dos Santos; Sudan, Abdelmoumin Ahmed and Yukiko Fuse

HyoJeong Pastor Award Heavenly Europe



From left: Austria; Johann and Hillevi Brunnbauer, Albania; Gabor and Manjola Vasmatics, Iran; Myung-ho Moon and Hyeran Lee, Sweden; Katsuyuki and Ing-Marie Kikuchi, Italy; Angelo and Flora Chirulli, France; Axel and Hitomi Huard

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left; Brazil; Oldair Lima de Almeida and Yolanda Miguel de Lima, Argentina; Sayavedra Yndabor Del Valle and Ichimoto Kumiko, Guyana; Ronald McGarrell and Josefa McGarrell, Nicaragua; Jorge Luiz de Oliveira and Chew Pheng Ngl, Haiti; Theodule and Fujiko Paul

HyoJeong Pastor Award Heavenly Asia Pacific



left; India; Krishna Adhikari and Chatra Maya Subba, Kyrgyzstan; Bakyt Toktorov and Yuri Nakatani, China; Chuang Cheng-Hsien and Wang Shu-Fen, Philippines; Jaime and Shirley Vergara, Australia; Gregory and Reiko Stone