

## The Substantial True Mother of Heaven, Earth and Humankind

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As a newly appointed regional president, in the Middle East, the task seemed quite arduous. This is a region that is creating hell for the whole world. How are we to bring peace in such a region?

Our True Mother has frequently explained to us that the time has come for us to solve substantially the problems of the world, to actually analyze our region's situation and make substantial plans to solve problems and bring peace.

We, as experienced members, have spent many years making spiritual conditions for the "kingdom to come." In fact, the mission of our True Father was to make the providential and spiritual declarations and conditions to lay the foundation to build the kingdom of heaven on earth.

But now we are living in a new era. Now is the time when we, as the believers, must substantially build the kingdom of heaven on earth, Cheon Il Guk. According to Exposition of the Divine Principle (ten-hour lecture version) "During the period when the providence of restoration is to be completed after the Second Coming of Christ, the people of faith are to bear the third responsibility to defeat Satan and complete the providence of restoration." This is the time we refer to as the women's era or the time of our True Mother. As a mother, her mission is to bring to fruition the mission that our True Father had pioneered and together with us build that kingdom.

When we started our mission in the Middle East, True Mother was very supportive. She had a special meeting to discuss our region and sent us a directive. She was concerned about the war in Syria. She discovered that families were leaving in droves because the educational system had been destroyed and there was no hope of a good education for their children. That was one of the main reasons they were leaving in such large numbers for the West. The parents knew that in Europe their children would receive a good education, which they had no hope of receiving if they stayed in their own country.

Hence, True Mother gave us the direction to start a school for the Syrian refugee children in Lebanon. We followed her direction and created a preparatory school to equip refugee children, who have been out of the school system for years, to enter Lebanese schools. We are also supporting the ones that have enrolled to receive the expenses they need to continue. To start our own school is not easy but at least we are helping many of the distressed children to prepare to return and others that do not have the resources needed to take advantage of schooling offered by the Lebanese government. Also WFP is in the process of creating a library in the local school to improve the education the children are receiving. We are doing what we can within our capacity.

True Mother also encouraged us to conduct more service projects in the Middle East. We have proposed three under the title of Middle East Peace Initiative Service Projects. Again, she encouraged us to identify problems and try to make a program that can solve them. In addition, she mentioned that the blessed couples in the West (Europe and America) should help to support these projects.

We have just finished a project in Jordan titled, "Dreams Can Come True," again, working with refugees, to create and perform dramas that have themes involving moral lessons. We know that refugee camps are breeding grounds where fanatics recruit new soldiers. The dire situation of the camps had led some children to corruption and an immoral lifestyle. There are many people there that encourage this unethical way of life. We created a team of university students that mentored high school children to create and present these Moral Dramas. They traveled to twelve refugee camps in Jordan to present these dramas to the children in the camps. This was a big success and profoundly affected the lives of those involved as well as those that observed the lessons. Making effort to change the minds of these young people is not an easy task, but now they have hope that there is an end to their desperate dilemma. We need to do more of these kinds of programs to help these talented young people make their Dreams Come True.

True Mother deeply cares about the children of the world and needs our cooperation to create the kingdom. We have high ideals, and though it is not easy, Heavenly Parent and True Parents are depending on us. Let's not make them wait any longer for us to take responsibility to defeat Satan and establish Cheon Il Guk.