

Seong Hwa of Katharina Shamne Cabras

Bergamo, Italy, 14. December 2012



Katia's family: Samuel, Ignazio, Miriam, Cristina - the Hall overflowing with members and guests



National leader's prayer - The last ceremony at the cemetery



Katharina Shamne Cabras, "Katia"

She was born in Kazakhstan, on January 17th 1962, but when she was still a child, with all her family, had to escape due to the persecution of the communist regime against Christians. They arrived to Germany, the country from where her family originated.

In 1989 she was blessed with Ignazio Cabras, an Italian brother and they had three children: Samuel, Miriam and Cristina. She was a wonderful mother and a dear sister for everybody. A rare Abel type member, with a constant positive attitude even in the difficult circumstances in which her family had to live many times. He ability to serve, to be humble, to smile and take care of everybody made her

loved by everyone, including the many friends she had in the society. She had been working in a school as cleaning staff, accepting to work harder than everybody else, for the sake of the children attending the school. Many people commented her attitude saying "You are too good", in a sense that she didn't mind others taking advantage of her humbleness and hard working. The same attitude she had in the church work, always trying to witness to everybody and bring a hopeful understanding of life.

She endured her very painful sickness, in the same way she faced her life: with courage, hope and a smile for the many people that went to visit her until the last moment. She was always saying: "Ok, ok", like "don't worry for me", and even being concerned for other people that were not in good health. She accepted her destiny with serenity, recommending her family members to keep their love for God, True Parents and for each other.

In the last few days she asked to speak personally with me and I run to her bed as soon as I could. She smiled to me, she couldn't talk much, but we shared mostly feeling and concern for the future of her family. Then she breathed deeply and passed away, in front of her husband, children and myself. I felt like she was waiting for me to pass away. I will never forget that moment in which I felt how much God must love people like Katia. The day was the 12.12.2012 at around 13.

The Seong Hwa Ceremony was incredibly beautiful and deep. More than 150 people came including several guests and school friends of the children. The atmosphere was full of tears, but not out of sadness: the depth of God's Love filled completely the Hearts of all participants. It was a real experience with the Holy Spirit. I gave a sermon commenting the meaning of the Seong Hwa, especially after True Father's passage to the Spiritual World and how he is gathering absolute good spirits to mobilize for the Foundation Day. My wife Elisabeth, gave her testimony about her life together with Katia, since they could share many years together and were the closest sisters.

We pray now to support her passage to the highest realm of the spirit world, beside True Father as a blessed sister that received the Cosmic Blessing that will prepare to receive the Foundation Day Blessing from the spirit world. We will miss her but the Heavenly Father and True Parents are happy now for having gained there such a strong and bright person, a real "Heavenly soldier", in the spiritual battle to liberate mankind.

Giuseppe Cali

Rome, December 17th 2012