

FFWPU Europe and Middle East: Buddhist head, Donations Are Spiritual Training

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Participants at the symposium. From left: Rev. Shindō Mizuta (chief priest of Kongōji Temple of the Myōshinji branch of the Rinzai school; Islamic commentator Humayun A. Mughal, and Rev. Haruhisa Nakagawa, pastor of the Lord's Sheep Christian Church; - afternoon of 1st November in Shizuoka City, Shizuoka Prefecture, Japan



At symposium on dissolution order and liquidation of assets, Buddhist leader brings up highly relevant topic of donations as spiritual training

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Donations Made Without Attachment Are a Form of "Spiritual Training"

Symposium in Shizuoka on the Dissolution Order of the Family Federation

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Rev. Shindō Mizuta, chief priest of Kongōji Temple in Numazu City, Japan

A symposium was held on 1st November in Shizuoka City to exchange views on the [dissolution order](#) issued against the [Family Federation for World Peace and Unification](#) (formerly the [Unification Church](#)), the issues surrounding its [corporate liquidation](#), and Japanese attitudes toward religion.

The event was hosted by the Shizuoka Prefectural Association for the Protection of Fundamental Human Rights and Freedom of Religion and drew about 200 participants, with a live broadcast streamed online.

Rev. Shindō Mizuta (水田真道), chief priest of Kongōji Temple (Myōshinji branch of the Rinzai school) in Numazu City, raised concerns about the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology's recent (20th October) guidelines for the [liquidation](#) of "designated religious corporations" subject to

strengthened financial monitoring. He pointed out issues with the clause stating that "the liquidator has the authority to manage and dispose of all property belonging to the liquidated corporation."



*Rev. Haruhisa Nakagawa, pastor of Christian Church of the Lord's Sheep in Yokohama, here in Shizuoka Nov. 1, 2025*

From a religious standpoint, he explained that "donation" is "a form of spiritual training performed without attachment or expectation of return," and criticized the policy strongly, saying,

"It is unreasonable that not only assets obtained through unlawful acts but also donations sincerely offered by believers are subject to disposal."

Rev. Haruhisa Nakagawa (中川晴久), pastor of Christian Church of the Lord's Sheep in Yokohama, who has been addressing cases of abduction and forced faith-breaking [See editor's note below] suffered by [Family Federation](#) members, condemned the actions of deprogrammers, saying, "Third parties intervene in families, causing serious divisions and conflicts, and even exploiting them politically. It's truly unforgivable." He added, "In my estimation, there may be more than 10,000 victims."



*Religious commentator and journalist Humayun Mughal, here in Shizuoka Nov. 1, 2025*

Islamic commentator Humayun A. Mughal expressed concern that "religious hate has increased in Japan over the past year," and appealed for mutual respect, saying,

"People may hold different beliefs and ideologies, but in the end, what matters most are human beings, life, and the soul. Peace begins from there."

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**[Editor's note:** Coercive faith-breaking ("deprogramming") in Japan refers to the practice of coercively attempting to separate individuals from their religious affiliations or beliefs, typically through intervention by family members, professional faith-breakers (deprogrammers) or organizations hostile to new religious movements (NRMs). This phenomenon often targets members of such movements, e.g. relatively large faiths like the [Family Federation](#) or Jehovah's Witnesses, but also smaller groups like Happy Science (Kōfuku no Kagaku) and other newer

religious movements.



*Also subject to faith-breaking attempts: Members of Soka Gakkai. Here students belonging to the faith in 2001*

However, also Soka Gakkai, a Buddhist-based lay organization with more than 8 million Japanese members, and affiliated with Nichiren Buddhism, has occasionally been subject to faith-breaking attempts.

The practice gained attention in the latter half of the 20th century, particularly in the 1980s and 1990s. Parents or concerned family members often hired faith-breakers who taught them how to abduct and forcibly detain believers. Almost all such cases involved confining the individual believer and cutting him or her off from the religious community. During the confinement, the believer was subjected to intense

questioning or indoctrination designed to break his or her faith. The aim was to "rescue" the person from what the family often had been tricked by faith-breakers or lawyers to regard as harmful influence from the religious organization.

Critics of forced de-conversion argue that it violates fundamental human rights, including freedom of thought, religion, and association. Reports of psychological trauma and accusations of unlawful detention have sparked debates over its ethical and legal implications. In response, some religious groups, particularly NRMs, have lobbied for greater protections against such practices.

Japanese courts have been inconsistent in addressing cases of coercive faith-breaking. While some verdicts have condemned the practice as illegal detention, others have been more lenient, citing family concerns about "mental health" or alleged "exploitation" as mitigating factors.]

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One of the South African centers of the Revelation Spiritual Home (TRSH). Photo from X

**message delivered** at a prayer vigil in **Gapyeong**, South Korea 5<sup>th</sup> November 2025 **by Imboni Prophet Samuel Radebe**, the founder of The Revelation Spiritual Home (TRSH), a faith organization with more than 4 million members across southern Africa. Edited version.

Good evening to everyone.

It is true I left everything when I heard what is happening.

The sacrifices, the blood and the tears that **True Mother** has spent have created an investment in Africa. And I'm a product of that. That's why I dropped everything and I immediately came here.

There are **two kinds of sacrifices**. There's **intentional sacrifice** and there is unintentional sacrifice. Intentional is what we do. We fast. You come to night vigils. You make so many sacrifices. That's intentional.

**Unintentional sacrifice** is when the **True Parents** and the spiritual world allow us to go through pain in order for something great to make way for something greater to come. We're allowed to go through something in order to make way for something great.

**True Mother** is passing through the unintentional sacrifice. There is **something great that is coming**. That is why she has to go through this. Something great is coming.



Prophet Samuel Radebe outside Seoul Detention Center on 4th November 2025, the day he could visit **Mother Han** there. Photo: Masataka Asaoka

When I met her, I was worried about her. When I was talking to her about her condition, she cut me. She said she loves me, and she was worried about me, about my family.

And I was looking at her. Then I thought,

**"This is an authentic leader** – selfless, truly sacrificing herself for others."

She was on fire! I thought that I'll see her down and out, but she was on fire!

And she looked at me and said,

"Please go out! Tell Koreans, tell Christian pastors, followers, everyone!"

I'll make it short: They must be on fire! They must be on fire!

And I'm here today to tell you, "Be on fire!" Yes, be on fire! Do not be down! Do not be sad! That is **negative energy**. That's going to make **Mother** weak. You must be on fire. That is **positive energy**. That's going to strengthen her. That's going to give her power that will sustain her there.

It was revealed to me that 2026 will be a year of fire energy. Fire energy. In the African spiritual calendar, we are already in 2026. So I am telling you now,

**"Unification! Have fire energy! Be on fire for the sake of True Mother! This is what she wants. She wants you to be on fire."**

When the spirit world brings special people on earth to us, we have to make sure that we take care of them. We stand up and fight and protect them. If we do not, they will be taken away from us.

**True Mother** was really concerned about Korea. So I am saying to you, Korea, South Korea,

**"If you are not on fire for True Mother, we will take True Mother to Africa."**

So be on fire, stand up, pray, fight, shout! Do everything to show **True Mother** and our Heavenly Parent that you appreciate what Heavenly

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Father has brought down for you.

If you do not, she will be taken away from you. And we are waiting in Africa. We are waiting.

So from today, if you want to contribute to this situation, be on fire like never before! Be on fire!

This is not the time to be weak. It's time to be strong, to be on fire to give strength to her.

She will be out very soon. Very soon, and great things will come after that.

I'm not here to give a speech. I'm here to convey the message. And I have conveyed the message: Be on fire!

Before Samuel Radebe came on stage, he was introduced by Reverend Seo In-guk, Secretary-General of the *World Mission Department* of the FFWPU, who among other things said,

"Prophet Radebe is the founder of *The Revelation Spiritual Home*, an organization rooted in African indigenous spirituality, and he leads more than 4 million members across southern Africa, Ireland, and the United States. He shares the spiritual wisdom that our Heavenly Parent has bestowed upon humanity, proclaiming the message that Heaven desires to unite all humankind through Africa's faith and traditions.



Rev. Seo In-guk, here on 24th August 2025. Photo: FFWPU

What is most remarkable is that he encountered True Mother in a vision – even before he came to know the Family Federation [...].

He received a revelation from Heaven that 'a woman from Asia will come to help Africa.' Later, he visited the United States, where he personally met True Mother. Deeply moved by her vision of true love, forgiveness, and one human family under God, he devoted himself wholeheartedly to following her and walking the path of Heaven's providence."

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