

Unification Church of New Jersey honors the Ocean Providence traditions of True Father

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Captain Kensaku Takahashi presents participation certificates.

This summer the members of the Unification Church in New Jersey were able to operate a simple program at the marina in Little Ferry, New Jersey to learn about the meaning and history of the Ocean Providence. For eight weeks from July 13th to August 31st, there was a Saturday-only program for young Unificationists, which included training on the Hackensack River with the 16' boat as well as ocean fishing from Bayonne, New Jersey, on the 28' cabin boat.



Participants were drilled in the task of knot tying.

One year ago in October, Little Ferry made national news when the overwhelming Hurricane Sandy devastated the marina property. Roofs were blown off, boats were smashed, buildings were flooded and collapsed; all of Little Ferry was under water. One year later, renovations at the marina are complete, and it looks better than ever.



Boat docking presented some uncertain moments.

The simple Ocean Challenge program aimed to bring awareness to the need for revitalization of the Little Ferry marina and to honor the Ocean Providence traditions of True Father.



Last day fishing with some keeper fluke as the catch of the day.

Participants learned knot tying, casting, boat handling, basic navigation, and engine mechanics. Captain Kensaku Takahashi also provided a testimony and photos of True Father's fishing on Lake Mead last year in Las Vegas.



Flyer advertising the eight-week Ocean Challenge program in New Jersey.

We were happy to welcome these young folks who were eager to have a real experience, and some fun, on the water. They learned how to start the engine, get the boat in the water, tie it up properly and many other things. It was great to step off the boat and let them handle it by themselves.

We do plan to make more use of this Little Ferry location throughout the year, so stay tuned. It would be wonderful to see other areas develop new programs (hello New York). All you need is a boat, or something that floats.