

Unification Church Missionary Diane Frink Drucker's Recent Passing

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I am sharing this news about Diane Frink Drucker's recent death with you.

From the article below, you shared some time working somewhat together in the past.

This is shared with Neal Drucker's permission.

God bless you. Stay healthy,

David

From FB's Book of the Unification Movement's Pioneers by Vasse Didier

125) Bert Boland (1949-) sent from Netherlands as missionary to Israel in 1971, then Michael Jepkes in 1972, Neal Drucker in 1973, Gary Fleisher and Horst Hamp in 1975

In April 71, Bert Boland, 22 years old, will head to Maastricht center in Southern part of Netherlands.

Bert Boland and Michael Jepkes were sent by the Netherlands movement as missionary to Israel in 1971 and 1972 respectively.

Bert wrote from Jerusalem to New Age Frontiers in December 1971: " Dear Teddy Verheyen and Naeran, Our Master, how he has been hurt in his Life, it is unbelievable! Right now I am in a mood to understand a little bit of his deep sorrow. You know already how you feel when you have nobody, really to turn to! And, as soon as this fact is settled, people are turning even against you. Because you've got practice in witnessing to people in your direct environments (a Convent for example with walls around in and dwelled in by ten, fifteen guests) you don't witness to them because of this! Then Satan starts to exhaust you, accuse you until your body refuses to work and your throat to swallow. How much and intense deep our Master suffered in telling the Truth to the sweetest smiling humble persons so that they made "war" for the first time in their life! The pain he felt when Satan accused him always to make war instead of peace Satan beat Him tremendously, and He had to find out by Himself that Stan always want to be first - and the suffering shouting people around Him didn't know they are a tool of God's enemy.

Now I understand more and more this is my real family which I belong to and that belongs to me. That, in spite of the ignorance of the people how much poison they smite in your basic elements of living, and how much they still have to suffer; the tree of Life has got the deepest roots of all the trees and your roots only become deeper in order to follow him.

This is my real family to which I write. Satan thinks he can steal this knowledge of us when he accuses us to be the War-makers of the New Age instead of Peace makers!

But, because of the law of "Karma" he's giving fruit to his self-destructive followers!

Well, we have all of us this exclamation of recognizing over and over again, but also: in a steep way of growing, Our Admired Principles! Without it there's neither life nor light that we will fight shoulder on shoulder to new battles as real frontiers. In the Name of Our True Parents, Bert Boland"

Neal Drucker gave some news from Israel family in July 1973 in Way of the World: " Father's work in the world is very strong now, as we can see the reports from our Family in many nations. It is so inspiring for us little nations to read of the progress made by the nations with important missions, and our thoughts are directed in their way. We also realize that the sooner the key nations are restored, and then it won't be long before this world is Father's again! It is so good to see how fast things change in the Principles, our Movement being the inner guiding force, the world, being the outer result, must change quickly also."

Feli Youngman Monribot and Neal left for Holland for the European Conference. Feli's little sister has heard everything and will go with them to Holland. She was only 14, and she really needed give and take with those her own age. They prayed that this experience will give her the "Principles" in reality and that she will be able to help them in Father's work here in Israel.

Also there was a man who has heard six chapters and really felt that this is a revelation from God. He was doing translating work here in Jerusalem and he could be very useful. They were in expectation to bring him to the European Conference also.

Feli and Neal once gave the conclusion in one of the hotel rooms to an American girl who worked for a magazine. There was a rear judgment taking place within her. She stayed with them one day before she left. She just hasn't made a complete break from the old world yet. However, she might write about us, and of course she'll see us in many other countries.

Neal Drucker wrote in August 1974: "I imagine that nowhere else in the world is there such a "National consciousness" as exists in Israel. The primary cause for this is very clear. In history, carrying the key position in God's providence, she received special consideration. That people grew from an individual, to a family, tribe, and finally to a great nation, all according to God's restoration plan. Approximately 2,000 years ago, that nation seemingly disappeared as it was dispersed throughout all other nations. A religious Jew feels that this was the result of his ancestors' failing to live by God's commandments to man. This, in fact, is not altogether wrong, for if his ancestors had really lived up to the requirements set by God at that time, and if they had listened carefully to God's messengers, the prophets, then they probably would have recognized the most important central figure since Adam in God's work of creation and restoration. It was the rejection and crucifixion of Jesus that sealed the fate of the Jewish nation of a homeless future. However, the circumstances at that time, the intense confusion, the many different conceptions of how the Messiah would make his appearance, and the failure of the central personage who was to prepare the way of the Lord made it very difficult for the people chosen in God's providence to accept their promised Messiah. Very probably, if we had lived in that time we also would have rejected him, due to such unfavorable circumstances. Without a home, they became a minority in every country in which they settled. Yet a flame burned deeply within the chest of every devout Jew, seeking the time when the many prayers would be answered in a return to their homeland. Their strict observance of the Jewish traditions kept them alive even through the gas chambers of the Second World War. The almost consistent persecution throughout history and the present has strengthened their character in such a way that they have been able to meet all who oppose them even when the odds are very much against them. It has kept them together as a people, and now, again, as a nation. In 1948, they returned once again to establish a Jewish state, in which the battle fought was for literal survival. Even today, to the average citizen, existence is day-to-day ... A new way of relating to God must stand between these peoples to unite them into one, as Abraham's grandsons, Jacob and Esau. Jacob's task was a most difficult one, yet nothing could prevent him from achieving the goal. Both religions can hinder their development when God is put far far away and their practice becomes only automatic. We were created by God as His children. Should we not be able to relate to our Father? In this time must come a new understanding that will stand as a mediator between Arab and Jew. And they must be able to be free from merely conventional beliefs, and seek God through humble prayers and ask, "God, what is your solution to the Middle East conflict?" And when they are willing to act accordingly, God will once more dwell with His people Israel."

Neil Drucker was blessed by our True Parents with Diane Frink, both Americans among the 1800 couples and also Gary Fleisher with Alice Hamaker both Americans.

Gary Fleisher was introduced by Ms. Young Oon Kim to Father as being Jewish when Father was in Los Angeles in 1969. In 1975 Neil Salonen asked Father if some of the American leaders who had been appointed to work overseas could stay and continue to work in the USA. He asked Father if Gary could continue working in the USA. Father asked Gary if he wanted to stay. Gary quickly stood up and said, "No, Father. I want to go to Somalia!" Father looked at Gary and said, "You are Jewish; aren't you?" "Yes, Father." Father instructed: "You go to Israel." (Father remembered about him after many years) Gary Fleisher went to Israel as well Horst Hamp from Germany. (Israel was not included on the original list to receive members because Bert Boland and Michael Gepkes from Holland had pioneered Israel in the early 1970s; members who joined under Bert and Michael were working in Israel.)

In January 68, Sandy Schuhart would also like to share in NAF the latest news from Los Angeles: "Father now has two more children here in His home. One is Judy Culbertson, a very beautiful girl. Judy is 21 years old. She came here very strangely one evening to hear about the Principle and never left. She had been prepared for the message, and we feel that Father led her here. The other person is a boy, Gary Fleisher. Gary is a college student. He is of Jewish background and was studying to become a rabbi when we met him. Now he is studying to become a warrior for God! Gary moved into the Center last Friday and brought joy to everyone with his eagerness to learn and to help in any way that he could."

Rusty (Gary) Fleisher and Lisa Martinez were very fortunate to be given the responsibility of witnessing at the University of California at Berkeley with Edwin Ang and Farley Jones on April 1968. Every day, for about three hours starting at noon, they witnessed to the Berkeley students and invited the interested and prepared individuals to hear an informal discussion-lecture given by Edwin and Farley. For the remainder of the day they were either present at the lecture, studying, witnessing on campus again, or preparing a place to witness for the evening.

Gary Fleisher will be SR (State Representative) for New Hampshire in place of Joe Stein, who will lead the Boston Center in August 1972.

In April 74, Gary Fleisher wrote in the Way of the Word: "Dear editor: I, as a conscious Christian, am

upset by your article in February Way of the World entitled "Faith in Time of Crisis, Introduction to the Book of Revelation." Contrary to the article, I believe that: (1) Jesus came to establish the Kingdom of Heaven; (2) John the Baptist came to prepare the way for the establishment of the Kingdom of Heaven; (3) This age of evil is not a figment of our imaginations, but the real manifestation of Satan; ... Revelation, to me, is much more than a "valuable monument" or a nice story. It shows the events and manner of the second coming of Christ and the marriage of the Lamb. In the Last Days reason alone cannot restore man to God. It is man's individual relationship with the Father through the Messiah that brings restoration or salvation. I pray that you will read the articles published by Rev. Moon; he has given me so much light on this subject. As a Christian I must disagree with Miss Frink's assertion that Jesus did not come to establish the Kingdom of Heaven. Contrary to what many believe, God is alive and active in the world today. He is bringing His children together to meet with Christ at the second coming. He is active in world events, and is guiding His forces to the ultimate victory and complete salvation. Yours in Christ, Gary Fleisher Birmingham, Alabama"

Feli Monribot and Gary Fleisher wrote an article in December 1977 about "Modern Day Exodus to Israel from Soviet Repression." They have done some people's interviews as the one of Bella, a young Russian immigrant now studying modern education and history in Israel.

In 1989, the regional leader, Thomas Cromwell, felt it was urgently necessary for the blessed couples to hold their first regional blessed children' summer camp in Middle East among its often warring peoples and nations; they decided to call their summer camp, Camp Harmony. The Israeli family offered to hold the program there, turning their main center into the camp site. The Israel family was wonderful in taking care of the children and giving them a great time. Each member there contributed to the success of the camp, even though all of them were very busy with their regular work. Diane Drucker and Mieko Uruga worked with me full-time. Jonathan (Age: 8 years) testified:"In the summer camp it was so nice. Often we were eating ice cream and often we went to the swimming pool and sometimes water slides. Also two times we went on a boat. We went to the Sea of Galilee and we saw some alligators and some birds. We played cards and games. We studied D.P. and the Bible and about Aboji and also about Jesus. I made many friends. It was nice and also we played together and we prayed together."

Mrs. Diane Frink Drucker was awarded by True Parents in 1996 for having accomplished 21-Year Course in The Field, first in Sudan then in Israel.

Interview of Hod Ben-Zvi, FFWPU Israel national leader in April 2014:

Have you formulated goals for Israel based on Vision 2020?

"We have a goal by 2015 to have twenty-one core members, but long range, I think pioneer countries have to focus on setting a solid foundation and deep roots, and then improving the program is something we have to do along the way. We want to revisit our goals and keep them real. In such a small setting, we are more concerned about setting a deeper foundation. My wife is from Japan.... Several families are basically all native. We had a period where volunteers worked in our country. That ended three or four years ago. We still have a couple from that first group of volunteers, which came in 1994. The wife served the country and the husband came and the two daughters are staying. But that's an unusual case. Most are local families and people that immigrated and became part of the family.

Israel practices complete freedom of religion if you are a Jew. This means that they recognize something like eight major religions; the rest are not recognized. This means that you are completely free to practice your own religion but proselytizing or witnessing is not allowed. For anyone that wants to expand or develop or just express his faith that causes difficulties. It is still a democratic country. You can talk to people. But in this atmosphere, if you try to witness to people, it is perceived that you are trying to change the person's religion, so they become very aggressively against you. You need to be aware of that atmosphere.

From the Jewish side that exists in Judaism from the fear of losing people; we lost many people during the Holocaust and many Jewish people see intermarriage as losing Jewish children to other faiths, or coming out of the Jewish community. That sense of protectiveness over your people is very strong. They see anything that tries to change that as endangering the Jewish people writ large.

FFWPU members feel that they need to serve the country by caring for the issue that the country cares for and needs to worry about -- the education of youth, or morality or security and peace. These issues are important for the country. They have to find ways to become involved that make a difference, or at least adds value. To do this, they want to create lasting friendships with people. In this process, they can move to the spiritual side of things and come to the point in a relationship where they can point out that it is not enough to improve the environment or the structure or the government or the system or even the ideology. They need something that is deeper in the moral nature or spiritual nature.

Essentially, they recognize the value of True Parents and the blessing because that is the key that they

genuinely believe can bring true and lasting change that people need. If they express that upfront, they are not fulfilling their role as John the Baptist. They are just putting it on the table, here, you either believe in this or not. That would not actually help True Parents. In a sense they are just using them. As opposed to that, They should exert themselves, make a lot of effort to win the hearts of the people through their own personalities and their own good examples, their own standard. If they value that, they can introduce the source. Obviously, it's a longer course, because people are spiritual and they can see if your heart and what you say are the same.

Hod Ben-Zvi remembered coming back from the Blessing Ceremony in 1982. He was working in a university office with six ladies. They saw the pictures and my beaming face. "Obviously you look happy and she looks nice, but why couldn't you find a Jewish girl?" That was the reaction. It was out of compassion, so to say. It was funny come to the point where they appreciate our blessing and appreciate our viewpoint, we need to show real integrity and genuine care and bring to the table valuable things for the nation.

Hod Ben Zvi was questioned by the secret service; they were worried about our connection. We had this big campaign; it was 1986. It was for an international security council or something like that. "You know that this Dr. Pak is with the KCIA...." and this and that. Hod was very scared. He was much younger then. They gave him the option of resigning from our movement, as if it was a job or something, or they would take away his security credentials, which were very high before. "I said, "Do what you want." So they took away my credentials and he was put in the gunnery after he had been in a high security unit. He was put in the gunnery because there were no secrets there and you can lift very heavy stuff there. He felt very bad for a while about how they look at us. Ten years later, someone said to me or hinted to me, "We no longer consider you a security threat." He understood the sensitivity of a country trying to defend itself; but he felt he had no secrets.

It is not enough to have weapons; the biggest threat is moral. That is where we want to help the country. For example, talk about the military. The military is always measured by the training and the equipment and ammunition, but if the soldiers are immoral and advocate free sex and all these other things, they become very weak. Their spiritual fabric is very weak and they cannot perform. It doesn't help you to have the state-of-the art weaponry if your morals are defunct. That was the phenomenon in the Vietnam War. I think America suffered there not because of a lack of advanced equipment. It was hit hard in its soft part, through immorality.

In whatever capacity we meet. I can meet someone through my business work. I can meet him through my professional forums. I can meet him as a friend traveling somewhere. I just create normal give and take to see where he is coming from and I have genuine interest in the person himself. Regardless of the way we met, we try to find a connection. It is definitely not going around with flags, saying I represent this. Will you join me? I call it 'natural outreach.' I think family-level outreach is very important from our viewpoint, that the family will reflect a standard, because if we bring people, the first thing they see is our own relationships. If we do not have good relationships within our family or community, it's the first thing that drives people away from us. Even though we try to attract them with the value of the Divine Principle, which is eternal, and the value of the blessing, which is absolutely eternal, if our relationships are showing something else, we find it extremely difficult to bring people to an understanding of what True Parents represent. So our effort is in personal conduct, family conduct and so on."

Question: What sort of organized structure do you work through?

"We found more liberty working within open frameworks, like forums. It's a democratic country. You can have your own forum. There is no reason we cannot bring people together and talk to them. When you use an NGO framework, you have to follow NGO rules, which could be good at times, but we haven't benefited much from that and just get into red tape."

Doron and Rosa Shmueli, an active blessed couple in Israel, were receiving True Parents' Special Award on the first anniversary of Foundation Day.

Israeli Family around Hod Ben-Zvi gave a farewell party for four Japanese second-generation members that had worked as volunteers in Israel.