

## A Testimony about True Mother Kang

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gC1e-OFRGfQ>

Since I joined Sanctuary Church, I have been singing the Cheon Il Guk anthem *Blessing of Glory* along with the video at the link above. It shows a photo when True Father founded Holy Spirit Association for the Unification of World Christianity in Seoul 1954.



A young and beautiful Ms. Kang Hyun Shil is standing next to Father (to the right, in a black dress); she looks full of joy as a daughter of God.

People ask “How is Ms. Kang these days? Would she also join the Sanctuary Church?” Whenever I sing the national anthem, it always reminds me of Mrs. Kang.

There was a special 21-day workshop for blessed wives at CheongPyeong in 2001. My mission area lot fell on *Seodaemun* district in Seoul City. What would you think about if your mission district were *Seodaemun*?

I was happy about it because it belongs to one of the districts of Seoul, and I would have more chance to meet True Father,. However, there is the *Seodaemun* prison. When the Korean peninsula was under Japanese colonial rule, the Japanese government built the prison, and Father was confined there in 1955 because a lot of Ewha Women’s University students had joined Unification Church.

So I also felt pressure. At the same time I was grateful to God for giving me such a responsible mission. When I arrived there, Mrs. Kang was responsible for us.

It was 18 years ago, so Mrs. Kang must have been more than 70 years old.

The Unification Church at Seodaemun was small and there were not so many members. Generally speaking, it was poor, and we did not have so much food. We did door-to-door witnessing during the day. A Japanese sister was together with a Korean wife as a pair.

Sometimes we bought chivee (green onion) at the market place. Then we cooked pancake with potatoes and flour. We also had green plant salad with hot pepper. As for soup, we always used leftovers.

Mrs. Kang always offered the meal first to True Parents, and then she had it.

On the following day after my arrival Mrs. Kang suggested to us to have a prayer condition in front of the fence of Seodaemun prison. “We have to finish the *han* (deep sorrow and grief of what has not been accomplished according to God’s Will) that True Father had here,” said Mrs. Kang.

Always getting up very early even though she was more than 70 years old physically, she joined together with us to pray there.

Mrs. Kang also had her meal together with us on the floor. She listened to what I told about the actual situation of my family, too.

I have confirmed the fact that Mrs. Kang has always been on the front line since she was witnessed by Father in 1952. It is natural for me to surrender. Therefore, Mrs. Kang is truly a very close True Mother for me.