

Father's Life in His Own Words - Part 91

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Father and Mother moved to the United States in the final weeks of 1971. In early 1972 Father spoke publicly in the West for the first time, in the U.S., the United Kingdom, and Germany.

The 1970s: Vision of the Global Mission

Father and Mother began the process of moving their family to the United States late in 1971. But Father was deeply concerned about the division of True Parents' homeland.

We flew to Japan. However, the visa I had was originally obtained to attend the Asian financial leaders' conference, which had ended forty days earlier, unfortunately. Had they inquired into it, I might have encountered some difficulty. I took the chance because I believed that God was watching over me.

As the immigration officials did their work, I stood on one side and studied them. I got a sudden urge to go to one portly official. So I went to him, and found that he spoke Korean very well. I told him I was Mr. Moon from Korea.

He spoke in Korean and he asked, "Oh you are from Korea?"

So I asked him, "How do you speak Korean so well?"

He said he had stayed for a while in Southern Gyeongsang Province. I thought it was a chance that Heaven was giving me. I made a joke by asking him how he spoke Korean better than an actual Korean. "You're not Japanese," I said, "You're Korean."

He said, "Give me your passport," and he stamped it, just like that.

I was going to America, but I had not been able to get a visa, so I had planned to go to Canada and get a US visa there. But a week before leaving, I was told that I couldn't do that. A Korean pastor had received an American visa from the embassy in Canada, and he had disappeared in America and they were looking for him. So they said that they could not allow anyone from Korea to enter Canada. That was the case.

They asked me so many questions that I was held up there for an hour. In the end, they asked me how much money I was carrying. Then they told me that I would not be allowed to stay in America.

I was able to go to Canada on a fourteen-day transit visa and determined to arrange my passage to America from there.

When I went to the American embassy [in Toronto], however, I had more problems to deal with. I applied for a US visa, and they told me to come back in three days. When I went back to see them the ambassador told me that he had been informed not to grant me the entry visa. I asked him, "Why won't you let me go to America?"

He had no choice but to tell me, "You are not allowed to enter America because records show that you engaged in communist activities in 1967." I asked him to explain when it was that I had supposedly engaged in communist activities.

There were four of us there, and all four of us sent petitions to the U.S. Department of State through American senators, asking "When in 1967 did Mr. Moon ever engage in communist activities?" We also submitted complaints to the embassy, and we created quite a stir there. Our people on the East Coast, the West Coast, and even Washington DC were calling the embassy in Canada, and the embassy then made inquiries to the U.S. State Department. A petition saying that I had never done such a thing was sent to the American embassy in Canada. Under the circumstances, they had to contact the Korean embassy and check whatever information they had about me in Korea, and in the end it was proven that I was not a communist activist, and that in fact I was a leader in the Victory over Communism movement. That left them speechless.

So, on December 18, I arrived in Washington, DC.

The continuing providential course in Korea and Japan

I foresaw the things that are taking place at this time, so I launched the International Federation for Victory over Communism (IFVOC). You have to fight this diplomatic war in your lifetime, otherwise Korea, Japan, China, and America will perish. The people in the American family should be fully aware that our family members in Korea, China, and Japan in the Victory over Communism effort are fighting that battle at the risk of their lives. As you and I know, in order to save Free World, we had a three-day fast here and a seven-day fast in Japan with a demonstration. People criticized that effort, saying we were crazy.

In the past there have never been any counterproposals to communism, but now we have one. In Japan and Korea the communists can't touch us, they can't touch our truth because our counterproposal is too strong. There is a very strong North Korean communist clique in Japan and the North Koreans there had already received information that I was coming to Japan on my way here. It was therefore necessary to have police and local officials protect my family and me. The police received threatening telephone calls. The Japanese church did their best to protect me even though I was in Japan for a week, but I could not have a large meeting with all the members there.



True Parents and entourage boarding the plane at Delhi, India, enroute to Bangkok, Thailand, April 17, 1972

You know, there is only one place called Panmunjom [The truce village on the border of North and South

Korea]. This is the collision point between democracy and communism. Since that time, we have found no solution to this problem, which has extended throughout the whole world. It remains unsolved. This is a fortress against God; Panmunjom and the thirty-eighth parallel are anti-God symbols.

I sent all the wives in the blessed couples to the front line because Jesus' mission was not fulfilled when he wasn't able to marry and establish his family. To indemnify that, the wives must separate from their families. If a bride and his family had been one with Jesus, the nation and Judaism could have been one with him. The three-year course (1970 - 1972) is to indemnify that. The Jewish people were divided, north and south. Korea is divided north and south. They are fighting as Cain and Abel did. The northern side is Cain, and the southern side is Abel. North Korea's leader, Kim Il-sung, is called the perfect communist. The whole world avows that he is the most severe communist ever....

The year 1971 is in the middle of the seven-year course, and I am on my third world tour, which has great significance. I left Korea, went to Japan, then to Canada, and now came to America. To come here I had to fight many obstacles, but from now on, these difficulties will be eased. Canada is Eve to America, because it is an extension of England, which is Eve. I wanted to link to Japan, Canada, and America the victorious foundation that we fought for and acquired in Korea. I had to come through Canada to America, and because Canada is in Eve's position, I could do that. Because I wanted to link the foundation of victories to America, Satan tried to stop me. That's why so many difficulties arose related to my coming here. Those circumstances had to be overcome before you could inherit what Heaven has restored in Korea, the foundation of victories.

After visiting America, we will go to Germany, which will also be problematic. We will go through England to Germany.^[1] If that is successful, the circumstances can be overcome.

The Japanese government, all the Japanese political parties and all the people worked for the admittance of Red China to the United Nations. Our church's IFVOC was the only group to object. From the standpoint of the Japanese people, our movement was insane. But we are separated from evil and are marching forward. We appealed to God to save Free China. That was the seven-day fasting by the Japanese members on the street. At the beginning people laughed at our fasting. But day by day they came to think about it. At the end we had many sympathizers.

The nation that should save the Asian archangel nation is the archangel nation of the world. That is why Japanese church leaders came to America and fasted with our members for Free China at the United Nations. How many members here went to New York for fasting? You did very good work. I gave direction for fasting. But how many did that willingly, with joyful hearts? So in Japan, in spite of opposition, we fulfilled our responsibility for Free China. And in America we fulfilled our responsibility toward Free China.

I am planning to hold these meetings in at least seven cities. Three days for each city will be about 21 days. So if you like that and want to do that, make the plan. If you don't, I will do it myself. This is the start of my public ministry. You should take responsibility for this plan. There may be objections or persecutions. There may also be people who welcome it. The people will be divided into two groups. Use the radio and newspaper. So if you plan the details of the cities and the schedule, I will speak. I will also hold meetings in Germany and England. So for Satan this is a great event. It is a historical event for me. This is my third world tour, and I myself must speak this time. I have been waiting for this day. If I could speak good English I could speak directly. It is difficult to convey ideas through an interpreter. I can't speak English well because I couldn't study it much in middle school; only about fifteen hours a year. That was during the Second World War, when the Japanese government controlled Korea. I am studying English now, but it's a difficult language.

For the Eve nation to inherit the victorious foundation that was made in Korea, I mobilized 700 blessed wives and sent them out to the rural areas. Through these wives, the Japanese members became one with me spiritually, and Japan can inherit that victorious foundation from Korea. The blessed wives in Japan are following the pattern of the Korean blessed wives.

We are setting the spiritual conditions to make Japan and Free China one. The talks between Nixon and Mao Tse-tung will come at the crest of history, the time when it is decided whether history goes to the heavenly side or to the Satanic side.

[1] Father gave public speeches in London, England and Essen, Germany, in 1972.