

A TIME LINE OF PRAYERS By

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Please Let Us Fulfill The Mission Of The Standard-Bearers Of The New Age

Father! The mission of the standard-bearers of the awesome new age, which the Unification Church members must accomplish from now on is spread out before us. We know that only a spirit of sacrifice which is able to offer everything to you and an attitude filled with devotion in which everyone is able to become one in relation to the Will you desire, can maintain this.

Therefore, we earnestly hope and desire that you will please allow us to go following the way that you guide us with a pure mind which can do that, and to seriously inherit the Will that you are seeking to accomplish on earth, and to accomplish it by ourselves.

Father! Please allow us to understand how very important our attitude is now. We know that the more we appear before the people, it will not do unless we fulfill the responsibility of the subject partner. When we think of things like that, we must be careful of all of our actions, and we must show to all humankind the standard of character that has been established through the history of the Unification Church. And we earnestly ask and desire that you will accept us as your children who have no unworthy aspects and whom you can always praise and establish and be proud of, and who can clearly present the co-ordinates and the direction that humankind must go.

Oh Father! Now the time has come to hold high the banner of the new destiny of the entire world and to head directly in the direction of the Kingdom of Heaven. We have established the awesome standard called the "establishment of the Kingdom of Heaven." This nation and this people in name as well as in reality are standing in the position of being able to follow with their minds the direction we are going.

From now on we must not forget that we have a great and heavy responsibility to gather together and offer to you, together with the people, an altar of victory by not killing this destiny and embracing it to our hearts while cooperating harmoniously.

Together with the name of our Heavenly Father please let us wash away all the times that have come and gone, and please forgive that until now the Korean people could not fulfill their responsibility. We earnestly hope that you will love this people once more.

Please embrace the pitiful established churches. We know well that it will not do for you to cast them aside. It is that Christianity for which you worked so hard for two thousand years, and which was established by the Christians shedding blood.

Now we know that together with us they must hold hands behind the scenes, and it will not do unless we bring all the people of the world into your embrace by casting out a net. Therefore, we earnestly ask and desire that you will accept us as people who are needed in establishing your Kingdom and who have the standard of the subject partner and the object partner. We earnestly hope that you will lead us in everything in the future.

Asking that, together with your name, grace and love will be together forever with everything, we have humbly prayed all these things in the name of the True Parents. Amen.

June 8, 1975

Please Lift Us Up As Offerings On The World-Level Unification Altar

Father! The situation of Korea is at an acute point. Of course, the situation of Asia and the situation of the world, as well, are spinning, having lost their direction in the midst of a whirlpool. We know that it will not do unless we get out of this whirlpool from the top to the bottom by your lowering a line to us, our holding on to that line, and establishing our direction. But this people does not know that it is standing in a position of having to establish its location by waking up and finding its direction.

Who must help it find its direction? We know that the person who knows the direction must do that. Because I knew the way that others did not know, I have offered my life and endured the way of suffering. The fact is that I knew it was a problem, and it was a problem to live for you.

Since through your love you have led me to a position that no one else can come to, at this point I cannot drink the bitter cup of the defeated and go the way of sorrow. Please allow us to be able to proclaim that we will unite North and South Korea centered on you by once again equipping and banding together before you the young members of the Unification Movement in Korea. Please allow the division of the East and the West to become one centered on you.

Father! Through offerings, we must connect everything of the historical individuals that was divided among individuals; through offerings, we must connect everything of the miserable families that was divided among the families; through offerings, we must connect the divided situations of the nations; and through offerings we must connect the divided situations of the world.

Father, we know the fact that you are looking for a religious movement that must take responsibility for these things. We will have to once again realize that the movement that must take on that awesome mission is this very Unification Movement.

Now before long, the Unification Movement will lay the internal and external foundation to cope with this amazing mission. Therefore, we earnestly request that you will let this movement become one that determines all kinds of duties of loyalty and filial piety in relation to this awesome mission, and we earnestly hope and desire that you will realize everything according to your Will.

Requesting once more to you, Father, that you will let us become the altar of unification that is able to offer ourselves as living offerings until the final second, we have humbly prayed all these things in the name of the True Parents. Amen.

December 28, 1975

1976

Please Let This Become A Day In Which The Spirit World And The Physical World Rejoice

Beloved Father! Today, February 5, 1976, January 6 by the lunar calendar, is the fifty-sixth birthday of this son of yours, and the thirty-third birthday of your beloved daughter.

Our family, which made a new beginning on earth in 1960 in the name of the True Parents, first thanks you that you have let us celebrate this birthday today in the historical year of 1976, having welcomed the day of victory, having followed the administration of the Will you desired in the period of 16 years which have passed since we were established in the center of your Will.

Please enjoy this situation and this ceremony. We know that it is grievous that the many human beings living on this earth are not able to celebrate the day that the True Parents were born. We know that it is grievous that the many spirit people who are in the spirit world also are not able to celebrate the day that the True Parents were born.

This day today is a day of parents through which a connection between heaven and earth is made, more so than on the days on which many people were born, and more than on any day in history. When we think about the fact that this is a day in which we are celebrating and commemorating that the parents were born, we know that this is a place that heaven and earth know and are bending down to watch; it is a day representing the new historical transitional period in which the spirit world and the physical world become one.

Father! In view of how very much you must have looked forward to this ceremony, please celebrate this day joyfully. Please bless the many good spirit people who are in the spirit world centered on your name. Please bless their many descendents who were born on the earth, having inherited their achievements.

At this time, please let them resolve the grief of their not having been able to commemorate personally on this earth, the day that True Parents were born. Even though all their descendents born on this earth do not know the day True Parents were born, please give them the grace of being able to

celebrate this day together on this earth, on a foundation centered on their ancestors, and centered on God.

This is a new historical time in your Will in which you have wanted to complete the ideal of creation which you desired, centered on humankind and the entire spirit world in the midst of the love of the True Parents, and centered on the True Parents in the midst of your love. As we think of that, we ask you to please rejoice, Father. We earnestly request that you will allow the entire spirit world to rejoice, and that glory to reach even the earthly world, and the heart of each person to be moved and to be happy.

Please bless your children who have gathered here. Please establish this joy of celebrating the day the True Parents were born in a place where we have become one, representing all the nations, representing all the people, and representing the entire cosmos, as a condition of indemnity for the grief of the people on the earth who do not know the Will and all the spirits in the spirit world.

Now please extend your authority as the subject partner so that they may be governed within the realm of the name of the True Parents. We earnestly hope and desire, Father, that you will transform this age into an age in which we are able to work with the authority of the eldest son by having the descendents of evil parents become restored before the descendents of the good parents by Cain and Abel being switched directly.

Today, here on this day, born with the name of the True Parent, with your permission, I proclaim that all the spirits in the spirit world and all their descendents on the earth shall become one.

Therefore, we earnestly hope and desire that by calling together enemies, and by the divided tribes and nations becoming one, you will take direct dominion of them spiritually and physically so that they will be able to advance and march forward to the world of unification, following the destined relationship of the one family as a whole, following the destined relationship of the family of the True Parents, following the destined relationship of the love of the True Parents who represent God.

Please realize everything according to your Will, and we earnestly request that you will let this become a day we are able to commemorate while

receiving your blessings in the midst of glory, and in the midst of your personally and the whole cosmos rejoicing over this day. We earnestly hope and desire that you will add millions of times of blessings onto all the people who are admiring and praying for this day.

While thanking you for allowing us to welcome this day in joy in your name, we have prayed all these things in the name of the True Parents. Amen.

February 5, 1976: Parents' Birthday

Please Let Us Become The Unification Movement Which Realizes The Ideal World Of Love

Beloved Father! When we look into your heart which is filled with grief, we must realize that a hidden ideal love is boiling up in your mind which no one knows about.

When people ask why God created people, until now we didn't know that God created because he wanted to love. Until today humankind did not know the original value of human beings. If one is born as a man, he must love the woman who is his object partner as an eternal woman, and if he establishes a family, representing God, he must love his family as an eternal family.

That standard of love will become the foundation of the tribe and the people, and the people's foundation will naturally become the foundation of the nation, and the foundation of the nation will naturally become not only the foundation for the world, but it will become the foundation for the cosmos as well. Only if there is that kind of unchanging world which is united in one direction, can a new world centered on your original love be established.

Therefore, Father, today please take pity on all humankind who have been wounded by the fall, and are struggling within the realm of grief due to the fall. It is your Will to achieve a new unified system of love centered on your love, and a new form of a unified religion for dealing with each of the

cultural realms which have different backgrounds centered on the stage called the world in the East and West and all four directions, and by adjusting the individuals, families, tribes, peoples and nations in each of the ages. According to that, we have now come to realize that the purpose of religion is to go forth hoping for that.

Father! From this viewpoint, we know that the religion of the New Age is to pave the way to penetrate the deep marrow of your love and move it into each heart, each situation and the hope of the people, and that is the reason the Unification Church came into existence. Your son who is standing here could overcome persecution, no matter how severe it was, because I knew your deep love, and without becoming exhausted or stopping, I walk forward to tomorrow with hope, because I know your new love. I earnestly pray that you will please let these people know that it was because I knew how amazing your love is that I could have this kind of confidence in myself and this kind of authority which is able to look the path of death in the face, go forward directly, and not avoid that path.

There is something wrong if after joining the Unification Church, we do not find ourselves to be different from how we were in the past. We must realize the fact that Unification Church members who are like that are sinning against the name "Unification." If one is called a Unification believer, wherever he stays, he must reveal himself as having the nature of the subject partner of love in that environment.

The way that one can know whether so-and-so Moon is real or fake, is to look at his fruits. Therefore, please let the Unification Church members bring light to each of the environments where they stay as more, new, true subject partners of heaven's love. Please let us know that only if they are able to reveal themselves as standard object partners or subject partners having valuable content, even without their knowing it, they are beings who have the authority that can be expected of believers in the Unification Church. We know that until now heaven established this church and acted in order to extend this kind of foundation horizontally throughout the world.

We know that we are standing in the ranks going forward toward the creation of a world of a new culture and a new tribe by realizing one realm of heart while transcending our people, and transcending our nations and national boundaries. Therefore, please let all the Unification Church groups

spread throughout the West, and all the groups spread throughout Asia and on all five continents follow your heart; and at the same time they must be like these candle lights: when they relate to the great sea, they must fulfill the mission of lighthouses. We earnestly ask you to let us become witnesses who know that we are shouldering that kind of mission, and who are able to testify about your deep heart as incarnations of love who are going forward to today, tomorrow and the future.

We have humbly prayed all these things in the name of the True Parents. Amen.

March 7, 1976

Please Let Us Be Able To Sacrifice For Something Bigger

Beloved Father! Today we are looking for families not so that we ourselves can live comfortably in our families; it is in order to take our families as offerings in order to find tribes. And we are not seeking to live comfortably within those tribes; rather, it is in order to take those tribes as offerings in order to find the people.

And we do not desire comfort in a central position within that people; rather, we seek to take the people as an offering in order to find the nation. It is not to boast before all nations about that nation that we seek the nation in this way; rather, we must give this nation as an offering in order to find the world. We have come to know the awesome fact that after finding the world, we receive the name of your sons and your daughters.

It will not do unless we are on the world level. Today we have learned that what is being stressed in the Unification Church is the world level, and the cosmic level, too. We must make a central, united family-level beginning that is able to connect to the heart of the cosmic ideology.

Today we need a family that is able to represent a family of hope and a world of hope, and is able to awaken the world which has died, and is able to be the pivotal point of the world. Please allow us to become people who are able to have that kind of ideology and thought.

Then we earnestly hope and desire, Father, that you will let us become a movement that is able to embody the value of God's sons and daughters who have never existed throughout all of history, and who have minds that are able to love the world more than any other people by having gone beyond our families and people for the sake of the world.

We must become sons and daughters who are able to receive love from you by having surpassed the duties of saints. We must realize that that family is more precious than the world, that individual is more precious than the world, and we must meet the day of victory in which we are able to be placed before the whole universe and be praised.

Jesus also said, "For what will it profit a man, if he gains the whole world and forfeits his life?" Please clearly enlighten us to the fact that the position of receiving God's love in this way is the position of sons and the position of daughters which cannot be exchanged even for the world.

We must realize that in seeking to fulfill this amazing duty, it will not be just one or two times that we will have to determine to offer our lives. We must realize that we are people who must love the world more than our lives and we must love God more than our lives. Please let us clearly realize that there is no way to go if we avoid this course.

The trials and difficulties that are approaching should not be received with discontent and complaint; rather, they should be absorbed with minds of gratitude. We earnestly request that you will bless us to be able to become sons and daughters who, while thinking from your position of the

historical ages which were so miserable, praise the joy of today, and can give ourselves for the sake of history, and can create a new age.

We have prayed all these things in the holy name of the True Parents. Amen.

August 21, 1976

1977

True Parents' Birthday

Your History Of Restoration Has Been Filled With Tears And Sorrow

Our loving Heavenly Father. I know very well that Your history of restoration has been filled with tears and sorrow and that You have not been able to share those tears and sorrow with anyone. You have been longing for one day of hope, and that one day of hope is now at hand. Today, February 23, 1977 and by the lunar calendar January 6, Your hope has now its foundation here on earth. From this foundation, Father, You are now able to stop the march of Satan and launch a counter-offensive. Father, the tidal wave of history has been reversed and a new historical moment is at hand.

Oh my God, You had the dream of an ideal creation when You brought forth Adam and Eve and the angel upon this earth. You wanted to have Adam become Your true son, one with Your love so that he could inherit Your lordship over all creation. But that was not done. Ever since then, all throughout history, You have been looking forward to finding one day and one man, and finally, Father, You raised me out of the humble Korean race, nurtured me, protected me, and suffered with me, longing for this day of fulfillment.

Oh Father, I praise You and comfort You. You have worked so hard and have suffered so much. Father, during the last several decades until I came to this moment, my heart has been aching because I could not give You enough comfort, could not return enough glory to You, and oftentimes, I pierced your heart with added sorrow, yet, Father, I have survived to the last. I did not falter along the treacherous path; I was not destroyed through the arduous path of indemnity. Father, I thank You that at last I have this day of fulfillment. I humbly bow down in heartfelt gratitude for Your loving care.

Father, in the name of God and in the name of the True Parents, we have now achieved the foundation of the ideal of creation on the worldwide level. Now, true Adam's world has been born. Adam's word will truly bring

dominion over the angelic world, and heaven and earth and the entire spirit world together will no longer come under the accusation of Satan. From this time on, whoever calls upon the name of God and the True Parents shall not come under the accusation of Satan. I solemnly declare this, Father. At last, we have this day of victory and this day of joy. Father, I ask You to accept this day and this declaration.

Now the Unification Church members who are practicing the way of life of the Divine Principle, who have understood the new revelation and who are also able to give it to others, shall go beyond the realm of Satan's accusation. I solemnly declare this, Father. Father, in Your compassion, please truly grant this authority. Today, Father, please pour out Your special grace and forgiveness to those people who are suffering in the dungeons of hell. Let them be able to see Your light and Your love, and let them also be able to see the light and love of the True Parents, so that they may come to life. Father, through this we shall be able to liberate hell.

Father, let us forget all past sorrow. As You have forgiven us, so also will we forgive others.

Father, please embrace all mankind and have mercy upon them, particularly upon those Christians who are coming against us. Please forgive this nation, which does not understand our mission; please forgive Korea which rebelled against me; please forgive this rebellious world with all its other nations, and even forgive the Communists and unite them into one with Your love. It is in the capacity of the True Parents that I ask for Your special forgiveness of those whom I have mentioned. I truly beseech Your forgiveness of them.

Therefore, Father, all mankind shall become one family of man and become one nation under You, and shall represent the sovereignty of good.

You alone will govern, You will open the Kingdom of Heaven with Your word and we shall all enter proudly into that kingdom. This very day and hour are at hand. I declare this day and this hour the beginning of the Kingdom of God here on earth.

In the name of the True Parents, Amen, Amen, Amen.

February 23, 1977 New York, NY

Please Let Us Welcome A New Age By Going Beyond The Accusations Of Satan

Beloved Father! This son of yours knows well that the history of restoration is a history that has been linked by tears. From the day I groped for and found the world of heart which no one knew, I have come to this position while longing for the day of hope, which I could not speak to anyone about.

On February 23, 1977, January 6 by the lunar calendar, we have established the way of hope you desired, we have defended ourselves against the world of Satan, and we have met the new age of a new offensive.

We are at a new historical point where the tides that have flowed down must flow the opposite way. We celebrate your having worked so hard throughout the historical ages in order to find the original standard where we are able to boast about your love and your realm of inheritance, where we are able to boast about having become your sons, centered on your love, by you, Adam and Eve, and the angelic world having become one centered on your ideal of creation.

Now in your name and in the name of the True Parents I make a new proclamation that defends against the standard of accusation of the satanic world, by the entire spirit world, including Jesus, becoming one with the world standard of the Adamic realm, and the world standard of the angelic

world which is centered on the Adamic realm, in the ideal world of creation that you hoped for. Therefore, we earnestly hope and desire that you will receive this day joyfully, Father.

Since I have proclaimed that now the people of the Unification Movement, the people who follow the way of the Divine Principle and who know this content, will be blessed with a way of defending themselves against the accusations of Satan, please permit this to happen before the people of the world.

Due to this, please shine the light of your bright love and the light of the love of the True Parents even to the bottom of hell by your granting a special pardon today. We earnestly hope and desire that you will allow that world to praise you, too.

Since we forgive with love and forget all the sorrowful things along all the historical course we are going, please embrace humankind, and please embrace even the Christians who opposed us, Korea which opposed us, the world which opposed us, and the communists who opposed us.

We earnestly hope and desire that you will please make them one through your love, please let them remain through your love, and please forgive them, especially. And we thank you that we have been able to open the gates and enter the Kingdom of Heaven which can be governed by the dominion of your goodness by realizing one extended family by realizing one nation, and by realizing one world in human history.

I thank you and proclaim this in the name of True Parents. Amen. Amen. Amen.

February 23, 1977: Parents' Birthday, The Proclamation of The Day of Victory of Earth and the first Day of the Kingdom of Heaven

1978

Please Let Us Walk The Way Of Public Righteousness For The Sake Of Humankind

Father! You must become the Lord of our minds and the Lord of our bodies. You must become the center of the entire church. Since we know that there is no person who can become the center, please become the Lord personally, Father. We earnestly request that you will please always be the sign in front on the way we are going by your becoming the standard bearer of the direction we should go tomorrow, and please guide and admonish us, and please encourage us not to become exhausted along the way we go by your always being our center.

Father! We are not seeking to hurry along the way having received someone's orders; rather, we have decided to take this way as our destined course, as a way we cannot help but go whether we want to or not, because we know that humankind is to be pitied, and we know what kind of path you have walked in order to find humankind.

No matter how fierce the battle may be on the way we are going, even though the arrows of the enemy fly towards us, because we know well our father who has protected us until now, because we

know too well you who have encouraged us until now, even in a position where we have collapsed together with your name, even in a position where we are lamenting together with your name, thinking that we are together with you, we are grateful that you have let us walk the way of victory until today.

We are grateful for the way of victory until now, but we know that the destiny of our lives is waiting for us, and it will not do unless we go the way of the destined course we must go while consulting together with you and leave behind the brilliant future victory of the Unification Church.

When a person is born on this earth, he definitely is carrying a mission. We earnestly hope that you will allow our footsteps to be filled with the sympathy of people and the sympathy of heaven as we go forward ourselves on that way of our own accord, in order to defend, keep, and vindicate the laws of public righteousness and the will of public righteousness, and not to have a mouth that defends the individual on the way we are going. And we know the truth that this mission is not to seek for our own individual happiness; rather, it is in order to know how rewarding our lives are, having taken responsibility for a historical public mission.

We have realized that the way of our lives is unbelievable as we go through time which comes and goes. As for the world we are living in today, because we have realized that it is a pitiful environment which we are not able to cope with, we earnestly hope that you will allow us to be able to run straight as bullets to the goal we must reach by your keeping and protecting the Unification Church members who know well that you alone are our center, you alone are our sign, and your protection alone allows us to proceed on our way.

We earnestly request and desire that you will let us become your young children who are more than able to bring victory to the people and to the world, even if we are blasted into fragments by having become shells which are able to leave behind shouts of the joy of victory, having broken through to the target on our own.

Please let your grace and love of the ages remain with us forever. Earnestly requesting that you will push us, Father, to become children who are not ashamed when anticipating the blessings of tomorrow, we have humbly prayed all these things in the name of the True Parents. Amen.

October 4, 1978

Please Let Us Become A Movement That Is Able To Advance Altogether Towards The Way Of The Will

Beloved Father! This is a moment in which the urgent, final, historically decisive destiny is about to collide together with our personal destinies. We have come to think about the fact that the Unification movement has become a focal point of hope for the mind of you our urgent father, who want to save this place as you look as the condition of humankind who are moaning, while not knowing where to go in the realm of many religions, in the spirit world, and in the physical world.

Father! We have realized that if we want to save a person who is dying, it will not do unless we enter into the position of death, and if we want to save a person who is on a path of suffering, it will not do unless we go through a course of suffering.

As for the Unification Movement shouldering the responsibility for world history, it will not do for us to become foolish people who build a comfortable nest for ourselves, and enjoy that foundation on our own. We have realized that as long as the nation has not been restored, our way is pressing, and as long as the world has not been restored, our way is pressing.

Until now heaven has been in the forefront walking the way of the pioneer, and this son has spent his whole life hurrying in order to follow that path. Since now the way I must go remains before me as the responsibility of having to put everything urgently in final good order while looking forward to a good era, now at this age of nearly sixty, oh Father, please take charge of the way I am going.

I earnestly hope and desire that you will drive out the Unification movement, Father, to become conditions of your shining glory, to become your shining pride, and to become the way that you can leave behind, that you can walk, and that you can go.

We know that in front of the way we must go now there are many paths of trials. We realize that not only the American continent is left, but the continents of North and South America are left, the continent of Africa is left, and not only the democratic world is left, but the communist bloc is left.

Then when we think that there is no movement that is able to advance altogether giving its entire strength in the direction of that way, by straightening our minds and bodies of our own accord and pushing the footsteps that humankind must go, we feel the darkness of the way heaven must go. Oh Father, now these young people have come to know what your Will is like. We have come to know clearly what we must do and the way we must go.

We must be centered on the family, but that family must become the representative of the people and the nation, and not represent just the nation, but must become a family that represents the world and the cosmos.

And the love of that family will overflow and go beyond the nation, go beyond Asia, go beyond the world, as far as everything of the cosmos, even to the spirits in the spirit world, and be able to resolve all their grief. Accordingly, we have realized that it will not do unless we have that kind of standard of the family which is able to be admired by all of them who seek to receive the benefit of that; therefore, oh Father, please bless us.

We know that it will not do unless we become those kinds of families who go together on the way you are going, realize a realm of the victory of joy,

and are able to be praised for having become your sons and daughters of eternity, having established the ideal families you have been seeking, and when we compose poetry about the history that has continued on down, all humankind and not only all the spirits in spirit world, but also God will be able to listen weeping bitterly.

We earnestly request and desire that you will allow us to become a movement that is able to offer sincere hearts and that is able to offer total loyalty and all our devotion to leave behind a public way before you day by day by enduring along the way of suffering, enduring in the position where we are crashed into, and enduring, overcoming, and rising again from the position where we have collapsed.

We earnestly hope and desire that you will allow the time of glory to come quickly which is able to cancel the name "church" with the liberation of all nations, and praise that this is your Kingdom of Heaven of love, and please let this become the Unification altar which is able to give everything to heaven and yet have something left by becoming sons and daughters who are not ashamed, couples who are not ashamed, families that are not ashamed, tribes, peoples, and nations that are not ashamed before the spirits of the spirit world, before God and all the people of the world as well as the day and the age that remain.

Please let your grace and love of the ages be with us forever and ever! We have prayed all these things in the name of the True Parents. Amen.

October 22, 1978

1979

Your Long Suffering Road Since Man's Fall

Loving Father God. We have watched the passing of 1978 and Unification members throughout the world and the whole of mankind now welcome a new year 1979. I reflect upon once again Your long suffering road since

man's fall. Numerous times our ancestors failed to fulfill Your will, thus hurting Your heart and prolonging or delaying over and over again the consummation of history. In Your deep heart You have been anxiously looking forward to seeing Your day of final victory. Countless people in history have struggled to no avail on a bloody and tear-stained battlefield and finally disappeared silently into a world unknown.

From out of a multitude of people and many nations You have chosen pitiful little Korea and from that country You woke me up with Your call when I was still young, immature and unworthy. Ever since, You have tried and tested me to refine my character. Through many incredible persecutions You helped to toughen my spirit. Finally, You have elevated me to this present state of glory All these, oh Father, were gifts of loving grace and the meritorious effects of Your sacred labors. Once again, I praise and exalt You.

Father, we realize that countless ancestors in spirit world and most especially all the saints and sages of the past who served Your providential course look down upon us at this moment anticipating some momentous announcement. Father, we need Your special blessing before all mankind as we witness the approach of an hour that can be a turning point in history.

Father, since 1976 when we tried to end our wave-tossed and frustrated history, two years have passed, and we stand at the doorway of a third year. The whole world has been shooting its arrows

and concentrating an all-out attack on me and the Unification Church. Yet through the special protection of heaven, our little group has been able to hold on to a small bit of ground as the foundation for a certain victory For this I humbly offer my deepest gratitude.

Father, I feel ashamed that this is not a day when I can bring all mankind before You so that we can kneel together and with uplifted hands offer a prayer of thanksgiving. However, in the timetable of dispensational history, we have reached a turning point. Even though there might be external differences of time and space, in this world of heart You have granted us entrance into a new dimension in which we can raise Your victorious standard and proclaim Your will to the whole world. For this I am truly thankful.

This morning, as we bid farewell to 1978 and welcome the new year 1979, we gather our hearts together in the name of the True Parents and pledge anew before heaven to carry on Your work with the utmost faith and

loyalty. Father, upon all who follow the name of the True Parents, grant Your blessing so that their first moments in 1979 may become a pledge of faith, loyalty and red-hot fervor.

This small Unification family has to bear the burden of raising Your standard high. Centered in New York City and extending throughout America and the whole world, our mission is to unite East and West within a victorious heavenly circle in order to relieve Your age-old frustration with mankind. When I think of our great mission, what a small and powerless group we have! Nevertheless, with Your mighty name and authority, I chose New York City as the frontline for all America and the entire free world. We pledge to reopen the battle in order to dedicate this city to You. Please rest assured that beginning today, we start marching to victory

Since we have already pledged our faith and loyalty to be Your shield until victory bless us and help us fight to the end and be Your triumphant remnant.

Father, we have now begun an historic new ministry centered on the home church. Since we are beneficiaries of living in a new age, all members of our Unification family are entitled to be Your children, inheriting the reduced condition of universal indemnity for the three stages of the Old Testament, New Testament and Completed Testament. For this I am truly grateful.

Father, how long You have been waiting for this day! How long too the whole of mankind has waited for this time! When I think about these things, even though we dedicate ourselves as eternal, living sacrifices, it is not enough to thank You for the unprecedented benefits of this age. Father, I pray that You forgive men for their ignorance.

Even though we were to unite completely with Your heart and pour out our very selves into the responsibilities given us, we would still feel most unworthy. Therefore, Father, I beseech You to inspire our members and guide them to march on with unfailing loyalty and faith.

At this hour, I pray under the motto of new love, let them embrace New York City (which has been lost) with the love which God has always wanted to express for it but was as yet unable. Help them

to embrace our lost nation and our lost world with Your love. May they also embrace with that same love the entire spirit world and their descendants on earth.

I beseech You, Father, that our members can march ahead with the possibility of a great future. Centered on the realization of the four-position foundation of love, and by forming a foundation for the Messiah at a tribal level, we reassert Your absolute sovereignty of goodness. We know that You are trying to realize Your ideal of one world through the union of all tribes and nations. That is our hope for the future.

As Your beloved children in Korea, Japan and America, and all those who have gone out as missionaries in Your name to 127 countries, and Your new children in those mission lands turn toward this place for a New Year's blessing, I pray, God, that You pour Your infinite love upon them and place upon each of them, far and near, Your hands of blessing. Make 1979 a year to be proud of. Bless them and manifest anew Your reality and majesty as our loving Father, resurrecting their inner life so that they may achieve a hundred victories in a hundred battles, I beseech You.

In this moment when we are entering a new year, we start a new beginning with Your love and protection. Fill everyone with Your abundant grace and make all things work together for good. May 1979 be a time when we frustrate all the plots of our enemies and exalt this authority of heaven. This I pray.

Father, I pray that Your love and grace, peace and light may dwell abundantly in all those who reside in spirit world, all of their righteous descendants and all of mankind on this earth.

All these things are offered by the True Parents to You at the dawn of a new year. Amen.

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