

## FFWPU Europe and Middle East: New Message of Mother Han at Birthday Event

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[Mother Han](#), [Hak Ja Han](#), at the global worship service in Gapyeong, South Korea, February 2, 2025

### Hak Ja Han's new message at global service in commemoration of the joint birthday of the True Parents



[Mother Han](#), [Hak Ja Han](#), speaking at the global worship service in Gapyeong, South Korea, February 2, 2025

As part of the celebrations of the joint birthday of [Father Moon](#) and [Mother Han](#), a "Global Worship Service" was held at the Cheongshim Peace World Center, a large indoor arena in Gapyeong, South Korea on 2nd February 2025. This was a major event in the weeklong celebration as [Hak Ja Han](#) turns 82. [Sun Myung Moon](#) would have been 105. According to the oriental lunar calendar, their birthdays both are the sixth day of the first month, which this year falls on 3rd February.

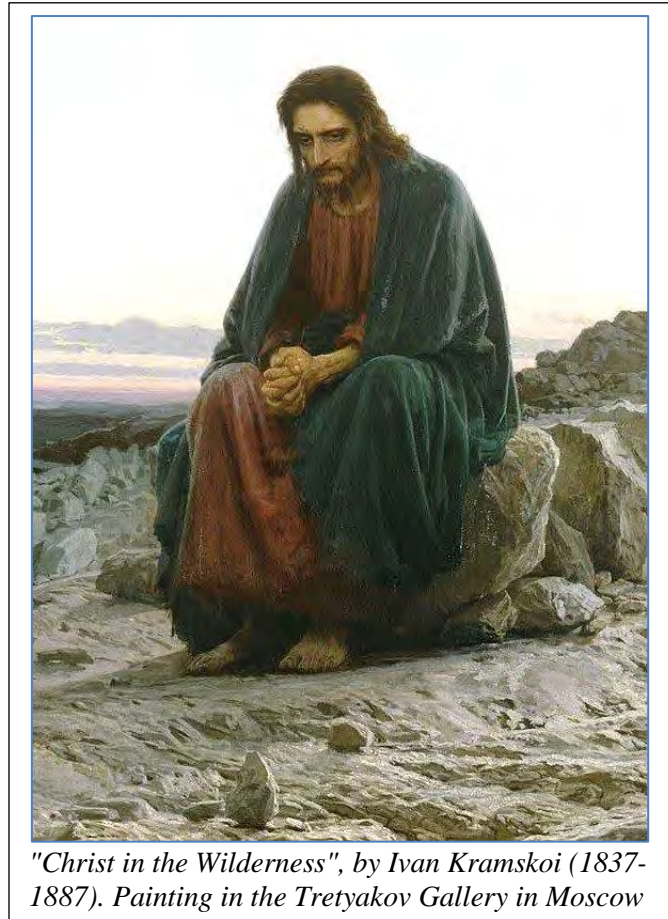
[Mother Han](#) spoke at the service which was broadcast live from the stadium in South Korea. We are pleased to be able to bring you the official version of the English translation:

Beloved [blessed](#) families and members around the world, I offer my deepest gratitude and glory to our Creator, our Heavenly Parent, for giving us this wonderful day when we can really welcome the 13th year of [Cheon Il Guk](#).

Due to the wars and conflicts arising over the "6,000 years" of human history since the Fall, humankind could not experience even a single peaceful day. And as the Creator had to complete the heavenly [providence](#), how difficult and grueling must it have been that, through the chosen people, it took "4,000



years" to form the nation of Israel beginning from the level of individuals, through families, tribes, and a people.



"Christ in the Wilderness", by Ivan Kramskoi (1837-1887). Painting in the Tretyakov Gallery in Moscow

After "4,000 years", Heavenly Parent finally brought about the birth of Jesus Christ, who was conceived through the Holy Spirit. Yet Mary and the people of Israel could not fulfill their responsibility. Considering the reality of his conception through the Holy Spirit, and even though wise men from the East followed a star to find him, there is no record of the date of Jesus' birth.

After waiting 30 years, and knowing he would not be able to complete [God's](#) will, Jesus began his three-year public course. In the end, Jesus died on the cross, yet he said he would come again. The apostles who had been resurrected through the Holy Spirit waited for Jesus' promised return, and thus the 2,000-year Christian [providence](#) began.

Though there was much persecution in those early days, Christianity eventually received recognition from the Roman Empire and spread throughout Europe from the Italian peninsula and worldwide centered on Britain. This opened the era of Atlantic civilization.

However, they did not know Jesus' essence. They did not understand why he said he would

come back, or that he would hold the Marriage Supper of the Lamb when he returned. Eventually, they went out to witness under the pretext of representing Jesus, but the era of the Atlantic civilization, in which nations prioritized their own interests, came to a close.

According to the [principles of creation](#), when the Only Begotten Son was born, his counterpart should also have been born. However, this could not come through the people of Israel because they remained a nation with a debt of indemnity for the death of Jesus. Through our knowledge of history, we know what kind of indemnity they paid.

Because Heaven cannot trust fallen humanity, another chosen people was selected and raised. This is the Korean people.

The birth of the [Only Begotten Daughter](#) had to take place in a Christian environment.



From revival with the Holy Spirit in Korea at the beginning of the 20th Century. Here, a regular weekly prayer meeting in Pyongyang sometimes between 1908-1922. Photo: Methodist Episcopal Church

When works of the Holy Spirit were occurring in the Protestant Church centered around Pyongyang, through the devotion of many who received these revelations the [Only Begotten Daughter](#) was born in 1943.

However, at that time, Korea was under Japanese colonial rule, and when World War II ended in 1945, the country was divided into South and North, democracy and communism. Because Heaven had brought about the birth of the [Only Begotten Daughter](#) who would see the completion of the [providence](#), according to the [principles of creation](#) [God](#) had to allow her a growing period during which she would mature.

However, Korea fell into crisis at that time. How was it that troops from at least 16 UN member states took part and shed righteous blood in [that conflict](#) in a small, unknown country? It is because Heaven was with us and protected the [Only Begotten Daughter](#).



*Mother Han, Hak Ja Han, at the global worship service in Gapyeong, South Korea February 2, 2025*

From birth, I grew up knowing [God](#) as my parent. Because I knew that my responsibility was to fulfill Heavenly Parent's dream on earth and see its completion, [in 1960](#) I assumed the position of [True Parent](#), though I was still very young. It is true that we went through difficult times. However, I waited patiently and persevered and finally proclaimed the Foundation Day of [Cheon Il Guk](#). Throughout human history, including the history of religion, everything has been male-centered. The [principles of creation](#) are about man and woman. The Creator is also the Creator Father and Mother. The [Only Begotten Daughter](#) was the first to reveal this.

Thus, with no one else understanding the [providence](#), I walked alone and proclaimed the

firm settlement of [Cheon Il Guk](#) after establishing the condition of restoring 7 nations, 7 religious orders, and a continent. However, that alone is not enough.



*Yong-cheon Song, at the global worship service in Gapyeong, South Korea, February 2, 2025*

Heavenly Parent's dream and humanity's hope is to live in the [Kingdom of Heaven](#) on earth. Therefore, you [blessed](#) families and CheonBo families [See editor's note below] cannot remain where you are. You must fulfill your responsibility. Responsibility. [True Mother](#), the [Only Begotten Daughter](#), cannot do everything by herself. I pray that all of you will become the [blessed](#) families that, together with me, will create a greater, higher and broader environment in which people can attend our Heavenly Parent.

As Director-General [Yong-cheon Song](#) of the World Missions Headquarters said, in your prayers and devotions you must establish the tradition of offering prayers with gratitude "in my name [name of person praying], of a [blessed](#) family attending our Holy [Mother Han](#)." [Editor's note: [Hak Ja Han](#) is here referring to her own surname. In Korea, women keep their surname after marrying. So, in line with this custom, it's more appropriate to use "[Mother Han](#)", rather than "[Mother Moon](#)".] In creating an environment in which all people of the world can attend Holy [Mother Han](#), the "Pure Waters" [Editor's note: Young activists]

must fulfill their responsibility, whether they are first, second, or third generation.

This is the only path to realizing one family of humankind attending our Heavenly Parent and a peaceful world without war or conflict. I bless all of you who are united with Holy [Mother Han](#) to receive heavenly fortune as you move toward that day.

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[Editor's note: CheonBo families are families recognized for their exemplary faith, devotion, and practice of the teachings of the [Family Federation](#), particularly in alignment with the [vision](#) of [Father Moon](#) and [Mother Han](#).]

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## Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon – Mother Moon

### In a nutshell

**Name:** Hak Ja Han (pronounced with long a), sometimes written Hak Ja Han Moon. In Korean 한학자 (Han Hak-ja – the family name always comes first in Korean). Written in Chinese characters, the name is 韓鶴子. Many call her Mother Moon.

**Born:** 10<sup>th</sup> February 1943 (6th day of the first month according to the Oriental lunar calendar) in the village of Shineui in the district of Anju of South Pyeongan Province in Korea, now North Korea).

**Married:** 11th April 1960 to **Sun Myung Moon**. Together they realize the ideal of **True Parents**. They had 14 children together.

#### Positions:

- President and co-founder of Women's Federation for World Peace (WFWP, founded 1992)
- Co-founder of **Family federation for World Peace and Unification** (FFWPU, founded 1996)
- Co-founder of Universal Peace federation (UPF, founded 2005)
- Co-founder of Sunhak Peace Prize (founded 2013)
- Founder of International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace (IAPP, founded 2016)
- Founder of Interreligious Association for Peace and Development (IAPD, founded 2017)

**Memoirs:** "Mother of Peace"

#### Awards:

- Honorary Doctorate of Humanities from Bloomfield College, NJ, USA (1990)
- Honorary Doctorate of Humanities from Bridgeport University, USA (1995)
- Honorary Doctorate of Literature from Taiwan University of Culture (1999)
- Honorary Doctorate of Pedagogics from Stefba Theological College of Bahia State, Brazil (1999)
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- Honorary Doctorate of Philosophy from Upper Volga University, Russia (2000)
- Honorary Doctorate of Humanities from Federico Enriquez Carbahal University, Dominican Republic(2000)
- Awarded with the Grand Prix Peace Award of International Association of Educators for World Peace (IAEWP) (2001)
- Honorary Doctorate of Literature from Sunmoon University, South Korea (2002)
- Honorary doctorate from University of Peace,

Dr. Hak Ja Han was born on 10<sup>th</sup> February 1943 (6th day of the first month according to the Oriental lunar calendar) in the village of Shineui in the district of Anju in present day North Korea. Her parents were committed Christians. She became an only child because her parents were separated due to political unrest.



North Korea. *Public domain image. Cropped*

**Sun Myung Moon** (1920-2012).

Over the next 21 years, the couple had 14 children – seven girls and seven boys. Mother Moon, as she is fondly called by members, is now a grandmother with over 40 grandchildren and has also become a great-grandmother. In addition to taking care of all the children, she has always been involved in activities with her husband.

This led to an extensive travel itinerary. In **Sun Myung Moon's** autobiography "As a Peace Loving Global Citizen", he writes that she was always concerned about the children: "So great was her love for the children that she did not let a single day pass without writing and sending letters and postcards to the children when she was away from home and traveling with me to various places in the world on speaking tours" (translated from Korean version, pages 226-7).

After the family moved to the United States in 1972, she and her husband completed countless public appearances at conferences and festivals, seminars and Unification Movement events.

She also spent considerable time with **her husband** and other family members in nature – salmon fishing in Alaska and trips to the South American Pantanal wetlands. Both she and **her husband** were very concerned with green issues and the environmental crisis, which is described in detail in "As a Peace Loving Global Citizen" (pages 307-311).



Hak Ja Han became the first president of the Women's Federation for World Peace, a women's movement she and **her husband** founded in April 1992 in Seoul.

From that year, she embarked on several speaking tours. She gave public speeches in more than 100 countries all over the world. In 1993, she spoke at the UN building in New York and at the Capitol, seat of the US Congress, in Washington DC.

During a visit to Beijing, a meeting was arranged with the son of Chinese President Deng Xiaoping to promote a school project. Hak Ja Han received much media



When the communists took power in North Korea, the then five-year-old Hak Ja Han was imprisoned together with her mother for eleven days. To escape the bloody persecution of Christians, she fled in 1948 with her mother and grandmother, who both belonged to charismatic movements, to South Korea, where the three eventually settled in the city of Daegu. Her mother, Soon-ae Hong (1914-1989), met in March 1956 the then newly founded **Unification Church**, which she joined together with her daughter.

Hak Ja Han was trained as a nurse at a Catholic vocational school. On 11th April 1960 (16th day of the 3rd month according to the Oriental lunar calendar) she married **Unification Church** founder





Children:

- Ye Jin Moon, daughter, born 11<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1960.
- Hyo Jin Moon, son, born 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec. 1961, ascended 17<sup>th</sup> March 2008.
- Hye Jin Moon, daughter, born 27<sup>th</sup> July 1964, ascended 4<sup>th</sup> Aug. 1964.
- In Jin Moon, daughter, born 18<sup>th</sup> July 1965.
- Heung Jin Moon, son, born 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct. 1966, ascended 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan. 1984.
- Un Jin Moon, daughter, born 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov. 1967.
- Hyun Jin "Preston" Moon, son, born 10<sup>th</sup> Apr. 1969.
- Kook Jin "Justin" Moon, son, born 14<sup>th</sup> June 1970.
- Kwon Jin Moon, son, born 20<sup>th</sup> Jan. 1975.
- Sun Jin Moon, daughter, born 15<sup>th</sup> June 1976.
- Young Jin Moon, son, born 17<sup>th</sup> May 1978, ascended 27<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1999.
- Hyung Jin "Sean" Moon, son, born 6<sup>th</sup> Aug. 1979.
- Yeon Jin Moon, daughter, born 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan. 1981.
- Jeung Jin Moon, daughter, born 14<sup>th</sup> June 1982.

Denig Xiaoping to promote a charity project. Hak Ja Han received much media attention when she spoke with former US President George W. Bush and his wife Barbara at peace events in September 1995 in Tokyo and other cities in Japan.

Hak Ja Han holds several positions. She is co-founder of the [Family Federation for World Peace and Unification](#) and the [Universal Peace Federation](#) – just to name a few.

She has been awarded many honorary doctorates.

After her husband's death in 2012, she has only continued her lifelong efforts to build a [kingdom of heaven](#) here on earth, a peaceful world based on harmonious families and individuals. She has also launched notable new initiatives such as the founding of the Sunhak Peace Prize.

She is particularly interested in the reunification of the Korean peninsula, and in recent years took the initiative to large rallies for peace in the largest South Korean cities as well as speaking at large peace meetings with over 10,000 participants in major cities around the world, including Vienna, New York, Sao Paulo, Tokyo, Bangkok, Busan, Osaka and Nagoya.

Hak Ja Han is perhaps best known for the large [mass weddings](#) which she and [her husband](#) officiated for many years. After he passed away in 2012, she has continued with such [large weddings](#) every single year.

Together with her husband [Sun Myung Moon](#), Hak Ja Han holds the title "True Parents".

Her name is sometimes written Hak Ja Han Moon, especially in the Western world. In South Korea, women do not take the husband's name when marrying, but in Western countries "Moon" is often added after her name to make it clear that she is [Sun Myung Moon's](#) wife.

In Korean writing, the name is 한학자 – Han Hak-ja. The family name always comes first. The family name Han is pronounced with a long a. Hak Ja are the two first names, sometimes written Hak-ja, pronounced with short a's.



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