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FOUNDER'S DISCOURSE ON UNIFICATIONISM

This is from an address given at the Cheong Pyeong Heaven and Earth International Training Center, Korea, at Hoon Dok Hae on February 4, 2006. Notes by Rev. Michael Jenkins, edited by Mrs. Louise Strait. These notes are taken from a simultaneous translation. Simultaneous translation is done in summary form and depends greatly on the translator's ability to communicate the essence of the message. These cannot be published as definitive texts and should never be used in the future as an "official" publication on Rev. Moon's words. However they do provide a good idea of the "spirit" of the message.

The years 6, 7, and 8 are important. 9, 10, 11, 12. By January 13 of the year 2013, we must complete everything. The most important

thing that we must accomplish during this time is that we must fulfill our Tribal Messiahship. You have to fulfill your messiahship from the individual, to the family, tribe, and global level. We must completely end all old habits. We must become like new babies. We must completely change our lives to end all the old habits. We must become pure families and complete as Blessed Central Families. Without this, you cannot have any ownership in any way.

Until that day we must com-

pletely change everything. When you return to your homes from the first to the eighth continent, you must let go of any identity that you are "Korean" or "Japanese" or "American". Our identity should follow that of the continents. We must redraw the lines so that there are eight continents. Those eight continents must be understood as the 8 continents of God's Kingdom.

This year is 2006. Next year is 2007. Those who are changed and those who are transferred at this time must unite with the families that they are sent to. They must be able to adapt to any and all situations. You must remember what I have said today.



True Parents Birthday

"God's Ideal family is the Model for the Peaceful Ideal world." You don't know how much God suffered with the loss of Jesus. Jacob had to restore everything by taking back everything from Laban. Jacob with his two wives had to restore certain conditions of faith. Leah had to lead the way. Because Rachel was sitting on the idols and they were under her sexual organ, Laban couldn't touch them. Therefore this set the condition to restore the ownership of the sexual organ.

Jesus wasn't able to complete this mission and thus the second advent of the Lord had to come. Elijah was prophesied to return on the clouds, and Jesus was prophesied to return on the clouds but both prophecies were symbolic. Elijah appeared in spirit through John the Baptist.

Jesus' course was the restoration of the family of Cain and Abel. Abel himself failed because he was proud of the fact that he had such a mission. Though he was proud, he could not fulfill anything. I am not proud of my mission but rather focus on fulfilling

the restoration of Cain and Abel. We have to have the standard that we are totally focused on living as a true family. That kind of mission was the mission of Adam and Eve, the mission of Jesus, and the mission of the third Adam. Adam comes from a completely different lineage. You have to understand how my family and I had to overcome the attacks of all of history and the forces of evil.

The entire mission has been focused on the world. There were many secrets that have not been revealed surrounding my birth. My mother revealed to me many dreams she had that foretold my mission.

My Grandfather Moon, had to wander as a refugee. He was outcast and had to fight just to survive because he knew that he had to preserve history. If you ever go to Su Tang Ri, there is a picture of my mother there. When I first saw it, I couldn't even recognize her. I saw the birthmark on her face and then knew it was her. That is also something historical. I will never forget the days when I cried because of the separation and sacrifice of my family. My mother was very beautiful and very healthy. She had married into the Moon family household. When a woman

M A R C H 2 0 0 6

Ahn Shi Il • 8th, 16th, 24th

- 7 Middle East Time Founded (1983)
- 9 Shin Won Nim's Birthday (2/10/88)
- 17 Jin Sung Nim's Birthday (2/18/62)
- 18 Shin Ye Nim's Birthday (2/19/00)
- 26 Shin Chul Nim's Birthday (2/27/92)
- Martial Arts Federation for World Peace Established (1997)
- 27 New Ecumenical Research Association (New ERA) Inauguration (1980)
- 28 International Christian Professors Association Established (1981)
- 43 Couples' Blessing (1969)
- 29 True Parents' Day (3/1/60)
- Sung Jin Nim's Birthday (3/1/46)
- 31 Hyun Jin Nim & Jun Sook Nim's Blessing (1987)
- The Sao Paulo Declaration (1995)
- Cheon Il Guk Established (2/22/2001)
- Grand Liberation of 6,000 Years of Providential History (2/22/2002)

A P R I L 2 0 0 6

Ahn Shi Il • 1st, 9th, 17th, 25th

- 3 New Hope Farm Declaration (1995)
- 4 Dedication Ceremony for the Chung Shim Tap Memorial Tower & Jeong Shim Won Prayer Hall (2000)
- 7 42 Couples' Blessing (1989)
- 138 Previously Married Couples' Blessing (1989)
- 57 Single Blessing (1989)
- 8 Shin Hwa Nim's Birthday (3/11/88)
- 10 1265 Previously Married Couples' Blessing (1992)
- Women's Federation for World Peace Established (1992)
- Family Federation for World Peace and Unification Established (1996)
- 12 36 Couples of the Second Generation Blessing (1986)
- 13 True Parents' Blessing (3/16/60)

C A L E N D A R

Proclamation of Liberation and Release (2004)

- 16 Kwon Jin Nim & Hwa Yun Nim's Blessing (1995)
- Sun Jin Nim & In Sup Nim's Blessing (1995)
- 17 Dae Hyung Nim's Ascension
- 19 Shin Joon Nim's Birthday (3/22/2004)
- 22 Jin Hun Nim's Birthday (3/25/63)
- Noticias del Mundo Established (1980)
- 27 60 Couples' Blessing (2001)
- Interreligious (144,000) Clergy Blessing (2002)
- 28 Shin Ye Nim's Ascension (2001)
- 30 Shin Bok Nim's Birthday (4/3/82)

M A Y 2 0 0 6

Ahn Shi Il • 3rd, 11th, 19th, 27th

- 1 Shin Il Nim's Birthday (4/4/81)
- HSA-UWC Established (1954)
- 43 Couples' Blessing (1969)
- Day of Victory Over Resentment (1974)
- 6 Professors World Peace Academy Established (1973)
- 7 Hyun Jin Nim's Birthday (4/10/69)
- 10 Unification Theological Seminary (1977)
- 14 Cheonju Haebang Shik: Ceremony for the Liberation of the Universe (1999)
- National (American) Won Jeon Shrine Dedicated (2002)
- 15 36 Couples' Blessing (1961)
- 16 Day of the Love of God (1984)
- 17 Washington Times Established (1982)
- 20 Shin Yeon Nim's Birthday (4/23/90)
- 21 118 Couples' Blessing (1978)
- 22 American Clergy Leadership Conference Established (2000)
- 27 Day of All True Things (5/1/63)
- 60 Couples' Blessing (2001)
- 30 Declaration of True Parents' Global Victory (1999)

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Celebration Speech

marries into a family, she has to take care of all the relatives who are there. She went through such a path of indemnity. Though I caused a lot of trouble for her, yet she told me that I was her hope. She told me she would sacrifice everything for me. I tried not to be indebted to my family in any way. I tried to cover all my tuition. When my mother sent me money for tuition, I would distribute it to others who were needier.

That kind of resentment and sorrowful situation was very crucial. That kind of history between the struggle of the communists and those who lost everything had to be endured and digested. It was like seeing a baby drowning in water and not being able to do anything about it. Because I was carrying on the history of restoration, these conditions had to be set.

I had six older sisters. My sisters knew about their circumstance. They knew they should marry into the best family of great condition and fortune. All knew this in my family. I had a brother that I loved very much. He was a very brilliant and outstanding brother.

Never forget the path that I walked through, being imprisoned in Japan and suffering there. Then the course in America. Also, I was one of the very last refugees that came south. I crossed the river just at the last second and then they closed it. I went through North Korean, Korean and American troop areas. I learned how to pay indemnity. You have no idea what it is like to be a refugee. Laying in the open fields and looking at the stars, I cried and wept for God's heart. In that situation do you think you can eat as you like or live any way that you like? You have the responsibility to work out the debts and the indemnity of your ancestors, no matter how difficult it is. I never prayed to Heaven to save me; I never prayed for my own salvation. If you ever get exhausted and fall away because you couldn't fulfill, you will disappear. However, I will forever remain. You have to have the heart that you will remain forever, overcoming all circumstances. There were times when I was going to my school. If there was a sick person I felt responsible to care for him. If there is something that you do not want to do and Heaven wants you to do it and you don't, it will lead to ruin.

When you are young you should go forth and think about that courageous and strong leadership and prepare your way under those circumstances. The things that I say today and the speech that I gave throughout the 120 city World Tour will be the cornerstone of the Kingdom. To become a great star, a truly large star, you must become that kind of person. Do you think God wanted the stars of the earth? There are thousands and millions of stars. I wanted to share these things with the prominent leaders from Korea who

came yesterday. I still don't want to see pictures of my hometown. I found a picture of my mother, older brother (I blessed them in spirit world,) and my



grandmother. I haven't found a picture of my father and grandfather.

Even the True Family must go this way. You will not be able to call us Father and Mother in the spirit world if you don't fulfill the course of indemnity. You must love the families of all the blessed couples from the 36 on, especially those who fell away. You should have the heart to travel throughout the world and embrace the world. Hyun Jin Nim, Kook Jin Nim and Hyung Jin Nim, you three must become one. You must also understand and feel that heart of joy by sacrificing for others. You must love the people of the Unification Church. You can't hate them. This is a new beginning. When I am gone, they will have to follow you. You have to know how much I longed for the day when the Heavenly Palace would be established. Always remember this. You must listen carefully to my words and follow them, or you will pay much indemnity. Unification Church members must come to believe and trust you as they trust me. But to win their trust, you must become my representative and understand my way. Unification members, if you don't have the heart to follow my way and care for those who are suffering with heart, then how can you say you are following me? I cannot tell God that I have reached my limitations.

Look at Shin Jun. Shin Jun Nim doesn't talk but guides people with his finger. He is like a model person. If he finds the tiniest, smallest thing, he will bring it to his parents. You must think about the people who starving to death. You must clearly understand and serve



and treat your parents with loyalty and share their hearts to save humanity; then your descendants will prosper for many, many years.

True family, when you go on the path, you must repent and go forth to love the families of this movement and the world. You cannot just be going around together among yourselves. You must go out and love the people. You must go forth even if you die instantaneously with a bullet in the head. It is life or death. You must have the mindset to go straight according to the way of indemnity. You must go straight.

These are the things that I want to share with you. I don't know when I will go to the spirit world; I may just go one night in my sleep. I never know. Think about it. Those who joined the church and left later on come to hate the things I love. They will suffer later on. There will be an autobiography for each family; the angels will be mobilized, and the presidents of your nations also, to check out each and every thing as to its validity.

You can't just join the church and say, oh now I really want to be blessed. I really want to have people go the way of filial sons and daughters. In history, Hitler, Mussolini and Tojo were seen as very evil. These three nations of Germany, Italy, and Japan tried to unite



to dominate the world. I came from the nation that is known as the "nation of people clothed in white robes." I left my hometown 60 years ago. Many tried to stop me from leaving. The rivers, mountains and the trees cried out for me to stay. My memories of my early life are all soaked into the mountains, rivers and trees. I left shedding tears. I can vividly remember the day I walked down that road. When I lived in the north, I could not see because of the tears in my eyes.

There are thousands of years of things that should be covered. You should engrave these words into your heart and into the marrow of your bones. You must become people who are better than your ancestors.

I will continue to read the 120 City World tour book until I go to the spirit world. These words are filled with the bone marrow of God's providence. I have read this over 600 times. I know every word and every

letter. I already read this speech twice before Hoon Dok Hae this morning. You must teach your children this word and principle.

Rev. Hwang, Rev. Yu and Rev. Yang, you three must come together as one and create the DVDs that will be able to convey the spirit of the 70,000 rally, for the future when the Peace UN emerges.

I long for the day when I no longer have to worry or take responsibility. You must completely fulfill now. You must really fulfill. The Ambassadors for Peace should be the prime ministers and leaders of their countries and regions. Make this special DVD immediately. Make it into a movie and send it to all the broadcast companies in the world. In Geneva, we gathered 1,200 participants. No matter what we must never retreat from this mission.

I want you to go back and bless all your clans and relatives. What is next, then? We must also bless all the people of North Korea. North Korea has the Kim clan and the Moon clan. What clan is the Kim Il Seung clan? The Kim clan of Jeung Ju. If we unified North and South Korea, starvation would stop. If you are Kim clan Jeung Ju, you should go to North Korea to serve that clan. You should go to America to organize the Kim or the Pak clan and have the Koreans in America unite with you to end the 38th Parallel.

The families left there must be saved. Who here is part of Rev. Kwak's clan? (one person stood up out of 1,200) If we begin today and have it done by the year 2008, we can unify everything.

All National Messiahs, stand up. Are you a National Messiah by title or substantially? National Messiahs, when the time comes, you should be like the governor-general for your nations. Have you fulfilled your responsibility as the governor-general? Even conditionally you should go to that nation and proclaim that fact. The governor-general and the president of that nation should come together in unity. When we make the DVD's you should send them out to the broadcasting stations of your nations. We should be able to complete this quickly. Do you understand? If anyone is sleeping, I will take away his title of National Messiah. You must fulfill your responsibility as National Messiah.

No matter what hardships you have to go through, you can never be indebted to your nation.

Rev. Kwak, Rev. Hwang, Rev. Eu and Dr. Yang, come forward and discuss what to do about the National Messiahs. What should we do? What is your report? (they stepped forward and discussed and then answered - Those who can't fulfill should resign). I have delegated all authority to these four people. All National Messiahs are under them and must cooperate with them. The completion of the responsibility of the National Messiahs comes when you have blessed all the people of the nation.

We cannot wait until the year 2012. This is the new age, the age in which we must fulfill our responsibility and become the kings and queens of peace. Now all the crowns from the coronations on the clan level should go back to the clans. All families and clans must fulfill the coronation. If there are over 1,200 gathered for the coro-

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nation of a Korean clan I will go there.

We will have to end all the realms of paradise. There must be only heaven and those who are not in heaven. There should not be a waiting room for heaven any more. What is Japan? Japan is the mother. Even if it loses all its people, land and everything but it saves the children, it would be ok. (Father then spoke to Rev. Eu, Rev. Oyamada and Rev. Otsuka about the key directions for Japan.)

The saints in the spirit world were all single. They couldn't become blessed families. If they unite with me, everything will follow. This is the age in which we can build the Abel United Nations. The realm of elder brother and younger brother need to become one.

The next seven years is the key. We must totally invest ourselves now. All the history of resentment must be burned up. The Geneva content that I added to the 120 City World Tour was crucial. "Respected Ambassadors for Peace in the Life of True Love section up to 'A Project for Peace'".

(Father then read his speech from that part on and commented.) You have to build an ideal home and country. I have to lay the clear path before I go to the spirit world. You must prepare the Won Jeun for me. Have you thought about this? By the time that we meet at this time next year, many who are over 70 may be in the spirit world; they won't be here next year.

Yong, Chang Shik(Oceania). tell me what I told you concerning Kim Young Whi and Kim Won Pil. (We should make a Hoon Dok School). The 36 blessed couples should be there teaching and creating the Hoon Dok families. All 36 couples' blessed children must be mobilized, or they can't inherit the foundation of their families' history and name.

All college graduates must go through the Unification Theological Seminary course. This is our course.

True Family: all must reregister to enter the Original Palace. You ask Moth-

er. I do not live a haphazard life.

When we visited the Himalayas, I was moved when I saw two clouds that looked like a mother and father greeting each other. I shed tears. I want to see everyone live in a blessed family. At the top of Mt. Everest I had these feelings. I want to bless everyone. You have to understand the heart of True Parents. If God instructs me to go to the spirit world, I will go immediately. Don't leave behind any debts for your descendants. We should be alert and shape up.

At the age of 87 why do I continue to try to reach you, and why am I continuing to speak even with a sore throat? I asked for my youth to pass quickly so I could accomplish. During this birthday, please pray for three days. I was hungry every day of my younger

life. I have gone this way without complaint. There are many episodes and very difficult suffering courses and secrets that I will take to my grave with me because there is no one that I can share them with.

The religions of America should unite to complete the Bering Strait tunnel. If they don't do it, the Unification Church in America must do it. If they don't do it, my children must do it. We must help China live and we must help Russia to know God. We cannot abandon either of them. We must help them both to come into harmony, or one will take over the other. Also through the proper balance of relations between America, Russia and China, Japan will be protected.

Rev. Yong, Dr. Yang, Rev. Song. (He asked them to bring together the UK

and US to support the Solomon Islands) The 36 blessed couples should be mobilized for this area. South America should support. Rev. Kwak, the 36 blessed couples should be mobilized and supported. Support from US and UK should be secured. Japan, Taiwan, Philippines should also support.

We must also have an absolute determination that we can take care of the Bering Strait tunnel. Starting now all the Blessed Central Families of the world must come forward; all must go out and teach from the 120 Tour speech and from the Cheon Seong Gyeong.

The Peace Police and Peace Army should be bringing peace. Those who follow the Pillar of Fire and the Pillar of Cloud must be strong. We cannot fall by the wayside like many did at that time of the Israelites. ❖



True Parents Birthday Celebration

by Rev. Michael Jenkins

February 3, 2006, Cheong Pyeong Heaven and Earth International Training Center

The international delegates of the UPF joined True Parents' Birthday Tribute. Former and Current heads of state, Professors, Religious Leaders, Media professionals, Civic and from over 120 nations of the world attended the 8 am Pledge service.

True Parents entered as Rev. Kwak was the master of ceremonies. Father lit the 7 candles before the beautiful round "towers" of fruit, nuts and cookies representing all the creation. Father began from the center lighting the candles, then the far right, far left and rotating back and forth toward the center. It was again a most beautiful occasion to share the heart of True Love with God and True Parents. Father is wearing a dark suit with a red tie and Mother in a beautiful turquoise Chima Chogori.

True Parents offered a beautiful prayer and then offered their full bows to God. Then Father and Mother took their seats behind the offering table. Next True Family and the wives of the five saints offered Kyeong Beh. Then all blessed couples bowed representing heaven and earth. Then the representatives of the three primary nations of Korea, Japan and America. Representatives of all Continents (Rev. Schanker and indigenous leaders represented the continents), then Judeo Christianity, (Dr. Walsh), Islam (Mr. Taj Hamad), Buddhism, Confucianism, Hinduism. Then representatives of True Parents relatives, representatives of the Free World and the Communist world.

Then Rev. and Mrs. Kwak offered the representative prayer for all the families of the world. (They were joined by Jin Man and his wife).

Next an excellent video presentation was given that demonstrated to the 10,000 gathered including the 300 Universal Peace Federation Ambassadors for Peace, the vast developments for peace achieved by True Parents. From the Middle East to North and South Korea, True Parents' work has become central. At the same time the 120 City World Tour was featured in which in country after country True Parents were welcomed by Presidents, Prime Ministers and the top leaders of the nation.

Rev. Kwak then read a special report on True Parents work centering on the spiritual foundation of the Holy Spirit Association for the Unification of Christianity now growing through many

stages to expand through many diverse organizations to achieve peace and True Families on earth. This was a tribute to Father's life and sacrifice to honor him on his birthday. The center of all this activity is that fact that True Parents successfully reestablished Adam and Evers position recreating God's Ideal Family. Rev. Kwak testified to Father's life of living for the sake of others and the central work of Father to bring the change of blood lineage, engrafting all humanity into the Tree of Life.

Then Rev. Kwak read a testimony to honor True Mother, for this is also her birthday. True Mother is the Co-Founder of every providential organization and

al conditions and courses and now we are witnessing through the Universal Peace Federation the substantial realization of the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth. We will fulfill our responsibility to bring the complete settlement of your Kingdom before heaven and earth.

Then Congratulatory remarks were offered by dignitaries representing the Universal Peace Federation (the Abel UN). The speaker of the house of the parliament of Nepal.

(He and his wife stood before True Parents and offered a bow of respect.) "Father and Mother Moon and distinguished delegates, I offer our heartfelt congratulations to you representing

professions and students welcomed you on that day. Your vision and methodology for peace brings hope not only to Nepal but all the world. You are leading the central movement for peace in our world at this time with a vision that will achieve lasting peace. May you see the fulfillment of your long cherished dream of a Unified World of Peace and may you both have good health and long, long life. Congratulations."

Dr. Cho Sun Lee from Korea who is Chairman of the Seoul Peace prize and a most respected patriot and long time legislators of the Korean Parliament (7 terms). "I wish Happy Birthday to True Parents. I am two years younger than

Rev. Moon and we fought together at the same time on different fronts to liberate Korea and protect this nation. I can testify that Korea is has become a great nation. Yet there are many serious problems that plague Korea and threaten its future. I have seen the personal sacrifices that Rev. Moon is making and has always made to save humanity. There are many shady sides of Korea in which many are confused and have no ideology or clear moral direction. Rev. Moon is addressing these areas to give direction and principle to the people who struggle in darkness. I asked him to be careful about his health but he said, I already gave my life to heaven and am just doing whatever I can do. I have no concern about my life, for it is in God's hands. We truly hope and pray that Rev. Moon can live to see the day in which the total liberation of darkness and the total freedom and happiness of all

Koreans and all the people of the world." Father's Address: Whenever you have a gathering like this I feel that people here have more joy than those of the outside world. Through this you can receive God's blessing. Please become the friend of God and be a person like an angel who can travel like an angel all over the world with God. (Father's Speech is in published form.) I had to drink a lot of water during the rally of 70,000. I want you to know that this is not my words but these are the words of God. God's Ideal Family: The Model for World Peace. (presented in the 120 city world tour). ❖



USS Constitution: Birthday gift from America



every dispensational activity. She is the True Mother of grace and holiness. She bore the historical burden of all suffering and challenges from the evil world to block her path. She overcame all trials with patience and love. She stands in oneness with Father and has fulfilled the role of True Mother. She is our True Mother with a heart of infinite love for all humanity. Surely we could not stand here today without the love of True Mother. How can we express our gratitude for her. She also was the center of all the courses of the True Children and always stood with True Love in all situations.

Now, True Parents, you have achieved the completion of all the dispensation-

not only the delegates here but also the 24 million people of Nepal. The work Rev. Moon has done for peace has been recognized by all factions of the very challenging conflict in Nepal. When he came thousands of people gathered on the streets of Katmandu with banners and respect welcoming the King and Queen of Peace. Even Mt. Everest, the highest mountain in the world, welcomed True Parents. I am proud to say I was proud to be the chairman of the program committee to welcome you to Nepal. I want to say that you are the highest example of the way of True Love even risking your life to accomplish the world tour." (Paraphrased). "On the 22nd of November people of all

Cheon Il Guk Leaders Conference

by Rev. Michael Jenkins

After True Parents' birthday celebration, the Cheon Il Guk leaders conference was convened at Cheong Pyeong Heaven and Earth International Training Center. The day began with Rev. Kwak as emcee at An Shi Il. Father was explosive with love and spiritual power, speaking for five and a half hours. The contents of his message were sent out on Feb. 4th. Father is absolutely clear about our purpose being achieved. The timeline is 2008 for the completion of the growth stage, and 2012 for the finishing the completion stage. As always, True Parents knew what the world leadership needed the most, and gave strong word for 5.5 hours. The message was so clear and profound about our role in establish peace on earth. Every leader was glued to their seats.

Father also recognized Rev. Kwak, Rev. Sun Jo Hwang, Rev. Jeong Ok Eu from Japan, and Dr. Chang Shik Yang as the four leaders who should be responsible for all the activities in the world of building the Peace Kingdom under Universal Peace Federation and Family Federation. Father stood up all the National Messiahs and asked if they had fulfilled their mission. They are still to continue on but anyone can resign at any time. Their mission is completed when they bless all the people of their country, changing their blood lineage. The National Messiahs are ambassadors from True Parents to those nations, and they should develop to the level where they can meet regularly the prime minister or president to guide the nation. Father said all the National Messiahs will be under those four leaders, centering on Rev. Kwak. Their mission must be fulfilled.

After Father's speech he announced that we should tour Cheong Pyeong and then have yute games that night. So the originally planned schedule was transformed into a celebration spirit. Yute is such an exciting tradition. The very prominent aspects of Korean heart and character come out during the game, where the passion of the battle is very intense. Winning is very, very important. However, even though there may be very passionate disputes over referee's rulings, as soon as the game is over, everyone is completely laughing and hugging each other. During that game, however, there are no hugs. It is war. I was fortunate to go to the finals with our excellent team centering on Rev.

Im from Cheong Pyeong. Our team took second place. Many of our Americans were on teams that placed well. Dr. Yang's team placed in the top four and he won a prize for that. It was so great to experience yute again, remembering our conferences with True Parents in the 70s. During God's Day time we always played yute through the night.

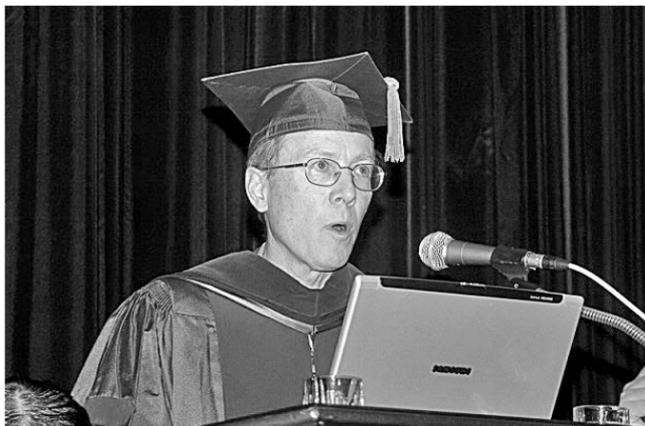
Next morning True Parents distributed the prizes and a very brief HDH was held. Then we went right in to the Cheon Il Guk leaders schedule. Rev. Kwak gave the opening presentation, which helped orient us toward the next phase of Cheon Il Guk development. The theme, as last year, was the Transformation of our Awareness,

Leadership, Lifestyle and Methodology. Rev. Kwak highlighted the development of UPF as the Abel UN, and substantive standing committees have now been formed to guide the work of peace throughout the world. Rev. Kwak's guidance was very detailed and really demonstrated that the Family Federation is the base from which all leadership is created, and therefore our hoon dok family church is the focus of our FFWPU. Hoon dok family church is the center of the providence and the fulfillment of tribal messiahship. Hoon dok family church should naturally spread to influence our neighborhood, community, state and nation. Every blessed couple should create a hoon dok family church as their tribal mes-

siah responsibility.

On the foundation of blessed central families, the larger sphere of blessed families will be created through auxiliary organizations - IIFWP, AFC, ACLC, CARP, STF, SFP, all the different organizations that have the Divine Principle as their core values. We are clearly on the way to building the Kingdom of God. We need these organizations where non-Unificationists can stand as blessed couples and be Ambassadors for Peace to impact the world. We must guide the nations of the world to really establish morality and true peace.

During the conference there were presentations about the Bering Strait Peace King Bridge-Tunnel project, as well as the situation of North and South



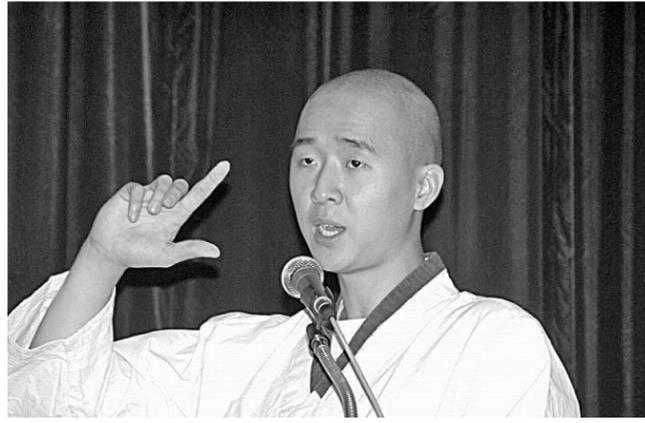
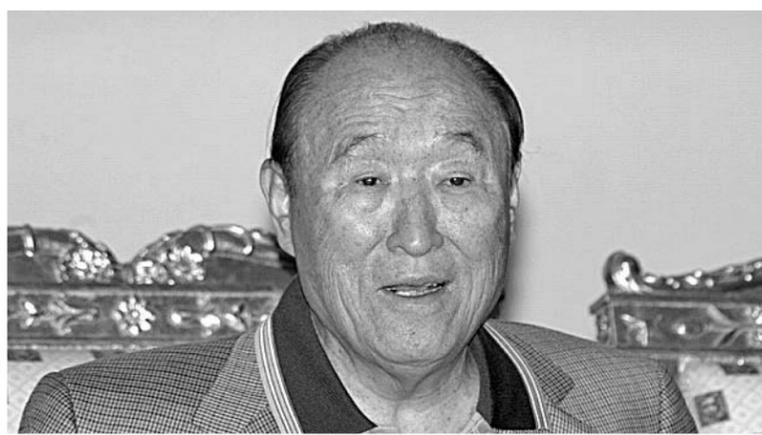
Korea, and the incredible development that's going on in the Yeosu area. Rev. Hwang has been able to secure total involvement from the South Korean government to develop it as a major resort area. Father's vision is now becoming substantial.

Members of True Family gave three separate presentations, and I must say each one was magnificent. Hyun Jin gave a very serious and yet warm presentation of where we should go, and also how True Parents are guiding him to embrace the blessed families. He shared that he understands what they are going through. He addressed the fact that blessed central families are suffering because we are challenging the sinful world, and historically such people are always resisted. The world doesn't want to change its ways. Hyun Jin nim's presentation was very uplifting and encouraging for our future.

Then Kook Jin nim gave a presentation on his work to turn around the business foundation in Korea. This truly was a new dimension of True Parents' plan for the future. Kook Jin nim emphasized integrity and honesty in give and take, putting in systems that allow for creative and honest discussion among management so that no one person can stand with the answers, but through collective discussions and openness answers can be found.

The corporations owned by our members in Korea were hard-hit during the economic collapse in Korea, but have recovered and now are starting to show profit. Kook Jin nim also spoke from the Bible, especially the parable of the talents, that we should never just let an asset sit. Everything God gives us must grow or we are not managing it properly. He truly gave hope to our movement because we all feel that to really develop the Peace Kingdom we have to go beyond our old ways, to empower people and allow them to really fulfill their responsibilities.

Hyung Jin nim also spoke, addressing the central importance of religion and theology in history, why True Parents focused so much on our education in that field. His presentation was very profound, focusing on how theological differences have very concrete



historical consequences in which the world becomes divided, politically and in every other way, according to certain theological and religious values. He used the example of the split between the Roman Catholic and Eastern Orthodox churches, and the difference in theology between Islam and the Judeo-Christian world. These are key elements to understand in bringing peace. True Parents' focus on the interreligious council and the grounding of all our Ambassadors for Peace in core religious values is central to the work. His presentation also gave very deep guidance and principles based on the Bible, as well as Father's words about our life of faith at this time.

In a very moving moment he showed his gratitude to all blessed central families for walking this path of suffering, and said with extreme humility how much he loved and respected every-

one. He bowed to the Japanese for their sacrifice over the years and then began to cry. It was overwhelming. Many in the audience were sobbing. All the divisions and pain and sorrow are being restored at this time.

The Cheon Il Guk leaders meeting concluded with Rev. Kwak's guidance that the key to the victory of the nation is in the heart of the leader. If you believe you can change your nation and you really live according to True Parents' words, you can. The first breakthrough has to occur in the heart of the leaders.

The program concluded with Dr. Yang, Dr. Jenkins and Dr. Hendricks honoring Dr. Bong Tae Kim with a doctorate unanimously approved by the trustees of Unification Theological Seminary for his work in education and unity of religions. He will soon assume the position of president of Sun Moon

University.

Finally, Rev. Kwak, representing True Parents, presented awards to the top members throughout the world. Each continent selected three nominees and True Parents, with Rev. Kwak's advice, chose the recipients. We are proud to announce that Rev. Linda Triggol, our state leader of Indiana, who worked 90 days in Israel in 2004, and sacrificed enormously in 2005, having spiritual children blessed as well as her own children, could be honored as the North Am recipient for this honor.

Asia was recognized as the best continent, and Albania was awarded as the best nation, along with the Philippines and China. It was great to see our world leadership together, making our pledge and determination that this sixth year of Cheon Il Guk will be one that substantially advances the peace kingdom. ❖

GOD'S IDEAL FAMILY: THE MODEL FOR WORLD PEACE

by Dr. Thomas Walsh

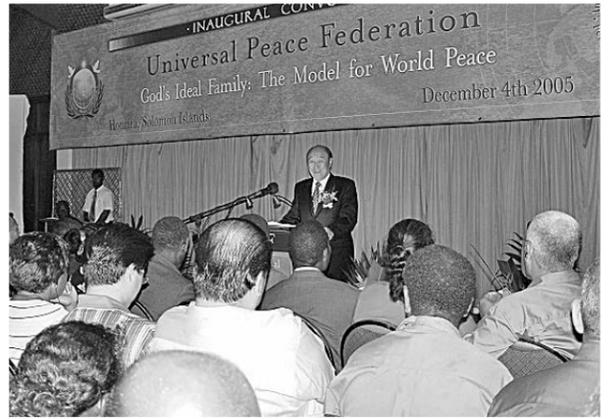
Rev. Paul Saver, IIFWP leader of the Melanesian Region of Oceania, gave us a brief history of the region.

December 4, 2005 *Honiara* SOLOMON ISLANDS

through heart and love will leadership be determined in the future. I propose that Solomon Islands, centering on your Prime Minister, become God's champion nation!

"I have been called by God to take this message to every

I don't just look at Solomon Islands, but at all the nations of Oceania. You have to build one nation, to keep the Pacific Ocean intact and to keep your youth intact. If you don't do it, your future is not clear. So every region of the world should contribute to world peace. I am dealing not only with island



The Spanish explorer Alvaro de Mendez de Neira, who "discovered" these islands, also found gold and gave them the name "Solomon Islands" to indicate that perhaps it was here that King Solomon got all his gold.

The country has about 500,000 people, 99% Christian, and about 800 islands. A famous World War II battle took place in the bay of Guadalcanal, where many Japanese, Americans and Australians died. The waters off Honiara are called "Iron Bottom Sound" because about 70-80 major warships were sunk in those waters. As many as 80,000 died.

The Emcee for the main event was Mr. Francis Kairi, former education secretary. The Hon. Allan Kemakeza, Prime Minister, was the guest of honor. He delivered a wonderful address, generously acknowledging Father's work for peace both internationally and locally. He expressed great appreciation for the opportunities for Solomon Islands leaders to attend international conferences.

In his speech, Dr. Moon took time to explain that in God's view, it matters little whether a nation is rich or poor in a particular moment. "If you can understand the suffering heart of God, you are much better off than those who live an affluent life," he said. "Only

corner of the world. I didn't come here to sell anything, but to introduce the message of God. I heard you paid something to come here tonight, but even if you paid tens of thousands of dollars, it is worth every cent.

"The world is wide open, and the opportunity for you is wide open," he said. "The will of God is clear. Do you think I am going to sit still? The Abel UN is now being established and will transform this world. What effort we put in will bear fruit. We have to solve all the major problems of the world.

"This nation of Solomon Islands may restore God's sovereignty one day. But

nations, but peninsula nations and continental nations, to create one nation under God."

Turning to Prime Minister Kemakeza, Dr. Moon said, "Do you want to take the lead and build God's kingdom and transform this nation and this region and support the Bering Strait project? Yes or No?" When the first 'yes' was not loud enough, Father Moon repeated loudly, "Yes or No?" and the Prime Minister entered into the spirit of things with a loud "Yes." Father Moon walked over to him and shook his hand, saying, "We became friends." ❖

Tue Parents arrived in Auckland at about 1 PM, and travelled to the Carlton Hotel in the center of the city. Many members gathered for the welcome, including many second generation and 12 members of the Oceania Leadership Team (Oceania's STF). Rev. Won Pil Kim and Rev. Yong Whi

December 8, 2005 *Auckland* NEW ZEALAND

Kim and Mr. D.M. Joo were on hand, having been invited by True Parents for meetings.

Mr. Enrique Ledesma is the Region-

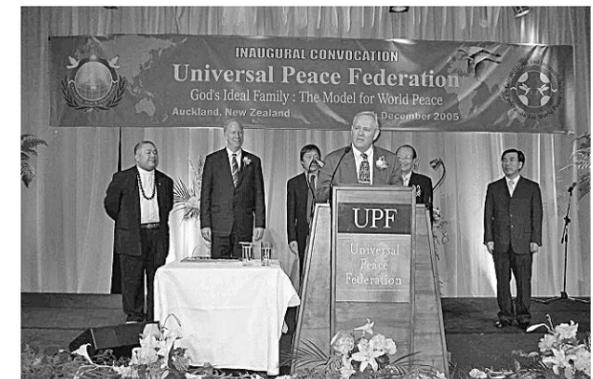
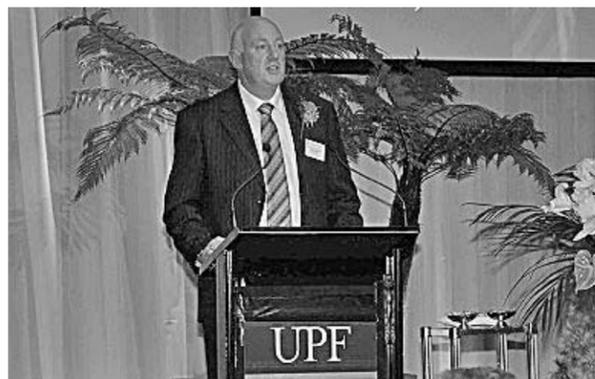
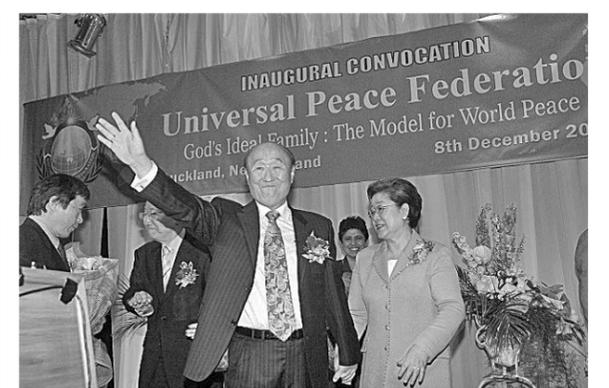
al Leader. Mr. Steve (American) and Susi (Australian) Evans are the new National Leader couple, who moved to NZ from Seattle, WA. last May.

Father says he is very happy to see everyone in this region, in these remote island nations.

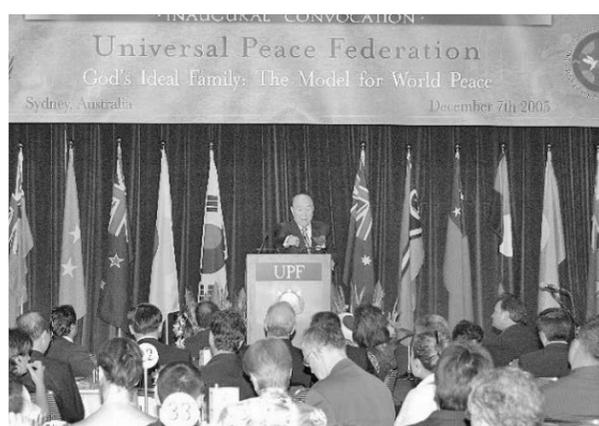
The main event was preceded by a formal Maori 'Powhiri,' (pronounced

"porfiri") that is a Maori welcoming ceremony, which consists of some songs (including Christian hymns sung in Maori), words of welcome and the traditional "pressing of noses."

The main program began at 5:30 PM. Geoffrey Prentice was the emcee. He spoke in both English and the Maori language. Rev. Jennifer Chalmers offered an invocation as did Rev. Suamalie Iosefa. ❖



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December 7, 2005
Sydney
AUSTRALIA



by Raul Rey

T rue Parents arrived in Montevideo in the morning of Friday, the 9th, after a long trip from New Zealand and stayed until mid-day of Sunday, December 11th. During their presence in our country, True Parents poured out their love and energy in meetings with the leaders and members of the movement. We all were profoundly moved, when on Saturday the 10th, after the prayer of 5:00 AM he spoke to us for five hours, in a very intimate manner, expressing his heart. We could be witnesses of his complete and total dedication to live for others. In addition to these more internal meetings, they carried the load of the public events and interviews, among which two important events that mark their presence in Uruguay stand out.

The first was the interview that occurred on Friday, the 9th of December, at 17:00 hours, with the President of the Republic, Dr. Tabare Vazquez, in the Estevez Palace. Here, Father came, accompanied by Rev. Chung Hwan Kwak, Rev. Jeong Og Yu, Mr. Chi Sung Shin, president of Ultimas Noticias and of the Radisson Montevideo Victoria Plaza Hotel and Mr. Oscar Magurno. For a half-hour, the President of the Republic and our Father Moon spoke of general and world-wide themes, as well as of common affinities, such as

December 10, 2005
Montevideo
URUGUAY

fishing. During their interview, our Father, in the name of the Federation for Universal Peace, gave a donation to the "National Program for the Promotion of Dental Health" of school children and whose Honorary Commission is presided by the first lady, Maria Auxiliadora Delgado de Vazquez.

Secondly, the inauguration of the UNIVERSAL PEACE FEDERATION was realized on Saturday, the 10th of December, at 19:00 hours, in the Grand Ballroom of the Radisson Montevideo Victoria Plaza Hotel. In the presence of 1,500 guests, amongst which were to be found legislators, members of the diplomatic corps, leaders of organizations of the civil society and many of the approximately one thousand "Ambassadors for Peace" of Uruguay.

The event began with the performance of the choir "Aparcanto Ulbra", followed by an invocation and the words of Dr. Rafael Addiego Bruno. The program included, as has been done in all of the countries and cities of this tour, a ceremony of Blessing for all of the participants,

which was led by the Secretary General of the Federation for Universal Peace, Dr. Thomas Walsh. The representative couple was that of Mr. Carlos Seoane (ex-senator of the Republic) with his wife, Margot Viola de Seoane.

Father was presented by the international president of the Federation for Universal Peace, Rev. Chung Hwan Kwak, who with firm and clear words said: "When we meet Father Moon, we meet truly the King of Peace spoken of in scriptures. For nearly 50 years I have observed his way of life and tradition. He knows no day or night. He has no private time for himself. He exists to give of himself 100% for the sake of God and humanity." A testimony given with profound love and fidelity to our Parents, which moved those who were present there.

To continue, a video titled "A Man of Peace", with a very brief and accurate review of our True Parents, in which the trajectory and efforts that they have realized in favor of peace the reconciliation between "enemies"; the concrete overcoming of religious, cultural and racial barriers, such as the promotion of the ideal of the True Family as model of a world of Peace and school of Love, served very good as preparation to receive his speech: "The Ideal Family of God is the Model for World Peace".

All participants stood and applauded our Parents with enthusiastic expectation. His presence, impacted through his power and energy that he transmitted, was beyond words. Father did not limit himself to the protocol of the speech, but extended it, personalizing his words to the context of Uruguay, speaking as a parent speaks with his children. This posture made many persons feel moved by their profound reflections. He encouraged us that "under the flag of the Universal Peace Federation, we serve as 'guardians of peace', to safeguard global peace". He expressed this in convocatory form and invited us to combine our energies to bring forth this enormous task: "I expect that you all put on a new 'armor of true love' in this new era and be wise and valient activists in this peace force, for the good of the future of humanity".

In his proposed exposition, which before the continuity of the confrontation and division in the world, weighed the efforts of 60 laborious years of the United Nations in their quest for peace, he proposed the establishment of an Abel-type UN organization, "whose efforts for peace will be offered to Heaven, investing incessantly in living for the sake of others". "It is the hour to re-orient our lives, leaving behind the barriers of our own nation, religion, race and culture, and realize a decisive effort for peace", said our Father Moon.

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GOD'S IDEAL FAMILY: THE MODEL FOR V

December 11, 2005

Buenos Aires ARGENTINA

Dr. and Mrs. Moon arrived in Buenos Aires, Argentina about 1 PM, the 93rd city on the 120 city tour, after a short 25 minute flight from Montevideo. It was a beautiful day to arrive in a beautiful city, sometimes referred to as "the Paris of South America." Though it is winter in Paris, France, it's early summer in the Southern Hemisphere. The city is alive, and trees, flowers and people are all in bloom.

The Sheraton with a packed and enthusiastic audience of more than 1200 people arrived in time for the opening at 5 PM. The pre-program included traditional folk music from Argentina, and a video on the work and mission of Ambassadors For Peace. The

ba in the center of the country to grace the occasion.

The welcoming address was given by Dr. Jesus Blasnik, President of IIFWP Argentina, who reviewed the significance and accomplishments of Father Moon. Mr. Jorge Alberto Giorno received the Leadership and Good Government medal for his work in the Budget Commission of the city of Buenos Aires Legislation. More than a hundred distinguished citizens were appointed Ambassadors For Peace, people working in many different areas.

The Argentine government was represented by the Hon Mr. Julio Rubén Ledesma, who presented Dr. & Mrs. Moon with a plaque simply engraved "To the Kings of Peace ... recognizing

a life dedicated to the permanent fight to bring true love between human beings."

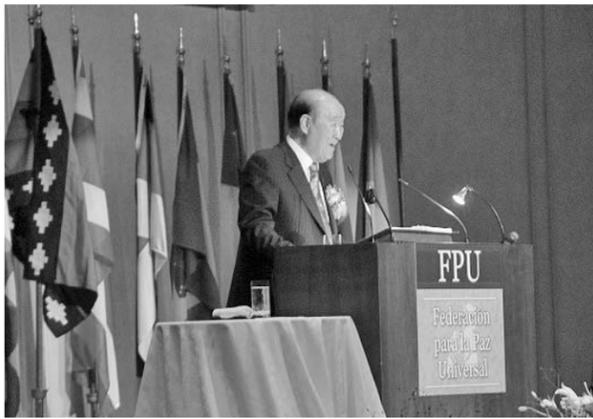
Mahatma Sergio Griffa, Hindu leader of Latin America and Ambassador for Peace, offered a stirring interreligious prayer service together with Protestant Bishop Ruben Contreras, praying for Father Moon as "the last chosen one of these times, and an incarnation of love and divine compassion".

The event was covered in the national media. La Nación, one of the most important newspapers adopted a pos-

ing of human conflict, with Cain and Abel," La Nación reported, "until the first applause started as he said that the time has come to launch a Abel Type United Nations, that will establish its course according to God's will."

Departing from his prepared remarks, Dr. Moon recalled an amusing incident from his first visit to Argentina, more than 30 years ago. "I remember looking for a camera. I bought one, but then the camera broke, and I took it to get it fixed," he said. "They said they could fix it in one day, but when I came to pick it up, it wasn't ready and the repair man wasn't around anymore!"

The audience responded warmly as Father Moon shared candidly about the challenges of his mission. "It is not that I am better than everyone else, or that I have no defects," he said. "I sim-



environment was enlivened by the "Misa Criolla", interpreted by the choir of the University of La Matanza and Aguas Argentinas, and the duet of Juan Bautista Bertorello and Lucas De Bruno, who traveled from all the way from Cordo-

One noted example is Juan Carlos Blumberg, an engineer who has great fame in Argentina because of his public protagonism after the tragic death of his son, leading him to create a civil movement demanding more security and protection for youth.

itive tone, describing Father and Mother Moon's entrance and welcome and pointing out some highlights of the speech.

"He started reading, almost without lifting his face up or adding anything, about true love, filial piety, the begin-

ply made a great determination to attend God, and became close to God. My commitment has been greater than others. Even I may have defects, I don't care so much, as long as I am completely connected to God. God came to trust me." ❖

December 13, 2005

Sao Paulo BRAZIL

Dr. and Mrs. Moon arrived in Sao Paulo on December 12, and went straight to the Brazil Headquarters building, where hundreds of members and volunteers welcomed them upon their long awaited return to Brazil. A very large six story building, the headquarters includes a large sanctuary, guest rooms, offices, smaller meeting rooms, etc.

The main event was held at the city's Rebouças Convention Center, about 40 minutes from the headquarters. The hall was filled to its 2,500 capacity with a most enthusiastic crowd who welcomed Father and Mother Moon with

the kind of thunderous, rousing ovation normally reserved for when the Brazilian national soccer team score a goal.

The program was energetic from the beginning, with a 100-voice choir singing Handel's Messiah and a warm letter of welcome from Brazilian President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva. Marco Polo Naru, a Deputy Minister of State and a key figure in soccer for Brazil welcomed Father and Mother Moon.

easy," he said, "Even my mother and father opposed me. My entire nation opposed me."

I asked God, 'Am I doing something wrong?', and God said 'No, you are not

In keeping with earlier cities in South America, Father Moon occasionally departed from the text to speak candidly about some of the difficulties of his mission. "My course has not been

doing something wrong.' God does not solve problems by eliminating the opponent," Father Moon said, "The main point of building peace is to love your enemies more than you love your own children." ❖

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"God has been longing to see the human family reunited, and this is the hour and time doesn't wait, every minute is important for this Providence" "Wouldn't you give all you have for this cause?"... words that were coronated by a warm applause from the audience.

To culminate the speech, Mrs. Hak Ja Han Moon came on stage with her husband at a moment when a gift was presented in the name of the "Ambassadors of Peace" of Uruguay. The gift consisted of a painting of Adolfo Sayago realized especially for this opportunity and present-

ed by the painter himself, Oscar Magurno, and the senator Julio Lara.

This view of Uruguay reaffirmed the conviction that Uruguay and Latin America have an exceptional role in opening new paths in the 21st century, as much on the spiritual and ethical plane as on the social plane.

On the following day, Sunday the 11th, at 05:00 hours, True Parents presided over Hoon Dok Hwe and the Celebration of Victory. Those were three profound and emotional hours. Father was radiant and youthful and appeared not to want to leave. All of his words centered on the family as school of love and in the importance and urgency of taking responsibilities. ❖



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December 13, 2005
Santa Cruz
BOLIVIA



December 14, 2005
Lima
PERU

Father and Mother Moon arrived in Peru, land of the Andes and the home of Incan civilization, on December 14 and went straight to the Lima Sheraton, just across from the national House of Justice

During the day Trevor Jones of Tiem-

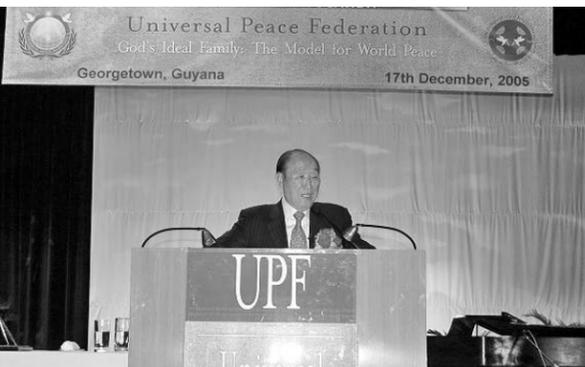
pos del Mundo Peru, Frank Grow, the Associate Publisher, and Dr. Thomas Walsh, Secretary General of the Uni-

versal Peace Federation, paid a visit to the President and Vice President of the Peruvian Congress to introduce the Universal Peace Federation and the vision for Dr. Moon's tour, and to appoint them as Ambassadors for Peace. There are 120 members in the Peruvian Congress.

The main event began at the hotel at 5:30, with the preprogram entertainment. The main program began at 6:15,

and Father Moon was introduced at 7:30. He spoke until midnight and almost all the people stayed right to the end!

"I am sorry you have to endure for so long, and your bottom gets tired sitting on that chair," said Dr. Moon, "But I am only meeting you for the first time and I don't know when or if I'll get to see you again." ❖



December 17, 2005
Georgetown
GUYANA



GOD'S IDEAL FAMILY: THE MODEL FOR V

December 15, 2005

**Quito
ECUADOR**

Dr. and Mrs. Moon arrived in Quito at about 2 PM. A late departure from Lima was unavoidable due to the weath-

persecution at that time. We need the Abel UN and a world filled with Abel-hearted people. And we will create a good relationship with the United Nations."

ily. All the laws of love are in the family, and following the laws of love is the way to peace.

Loving and respecting grandparents is like loving and respecting God. We learn to love God within the family, within the



er, leaving little time to prepare for the main event; so everyone moved quickly to their areas of responsibility.

"As a child I wanted to know the root of sin and evil in the world," Father Moon said, during his 3-hour speech, "I have so many secrets of heaven I want to communicate, and so many secrets that evil

used to dominate. But I follow the principle of heaven. I'm not afraid of anyone."

"60,000 people are dying of starvation each day, and nearly half are children," he said. "But the UN is not able to solve the problem. If God could find even 5 righteous nations, he could restore the UN. In fact, I wanted to build the Abel UN 50 years ago, but there was too much

The following morning, Father Moon returned to a second main theme of the tour: the creation of the ideal family that is the model for peace.

The foundation of the country is the family. Having brothers and sisters in a family is so important. Having older and younger, like north and south. All the laws of the universe are within the fam-

couple. We have different directions in the family; this means grandparents, husband and wife, children are all in different positions. Love comes from the person we love. We cannot experience love by ourselves. That is why love requires respect, loyalty, moral obligations, which we cannot violate, toward our parents, toward our spouse, etc. ❖

by Dr. Thomas Walsh

December 16, 2005

**Bogota
COLUMBIA**

Dr. and Mrs. Moon arrived in Colombia on a beautiful day at about 10:30 AM, for once in good time for the evening event, which was to begin at 6:30 PM.

The Secretary General of IIFWP North America, Antonio Betancourt, served as emcee in welcoming the party to his homeland. There was an invocation, followed by a special chant, prayer and ceremony for peace and protection led by Native American leaders and a group of local

chiefs and elders from Colombia.

Following a performance of traditional Colombian music, there was the World Peace Blessing and Marriage Rededication ceremony. Welcome remarks were delivered by Dr. Guillermo Reyes, a Chief Justice of the

Supreme Court, and a leading Ambas-

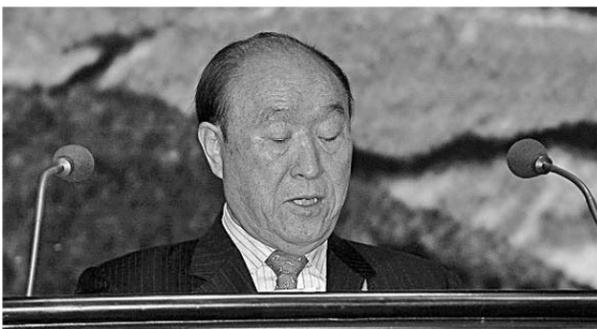
sador for Peace. A letter of welcome from President Alvaro Uribe Velez was also read out.

Father Moon spoke from about 7:30 and ended a few moments before midnight. "I did not come here tonight for my own benefit," he said. "This is the 97th city. I am risking my life each day on this tour. You need to read this speech and study it intensively before you try to make a judgment.

"If the world had listened to me earlier, we could have avoided so much pain and suffering," he said. "Now leaders who opposed me in the past come to me, their

heads bowed, and offer to help. If you are called to help, do not hold anything in reserve.

"Ambassadors for Peace should go out. You are not beggars. Go to the leaders of this world. Tell them about the ideal of the Universal Peace Federation. One strategy of the Abel UN is to work on the national level to create unity of Cain and Abel. No matter what position you have, as president, cardinal, scholar, do not stand in the way of the providence. This is the final stage in the history of restoration. More and more, our influence will expand, and we will undo all the knots of history. This is the great final moment!" ❖



December 20, 2005

**San Jose
COSTA RICA**



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by Dr. Thomas Walsh

December 18, 2005

Bridgetown
BARBADOS

Dr. & Mrs. Moon arrived in beautiful Barbados and were welcomed by the former first couple, Sir Lloyd and Lady Sandiford. The main event was in a splendid national conference hall, constructed while Sir Lloyd Sandiford was the Prime Minister. Introducing Father and Mother Moon to the people of Barbados, Sir Lloyd gave a beautiful welcome address, underscoring that Barbados needed to listen to Father Moon's message with an open

mind. "Many leaders in the past were misunderstood, and later recognized as true heroes to Barbados and the world," he said. "Even though some misunderstand Father Moon now, but they will see the truth in the future."

The Moons' youngest daughters, Yeon Jin and Jeung Jin, arrived in Bridgetown to join their parents for the final leg of

the tour and were clearly a great support. "I have 13 children, and tonight two of my daughters are here," Dr. Moon remarked. "They do not completely understand their father's mission and work, as they are still growing up.

They do appreciate my hard work and dedication. In ten more years they will fully understand. In the future they will be going around the world in my place. Being a daughter of Rev. Moon is not easy, and they have faced much difficulty in their lives."

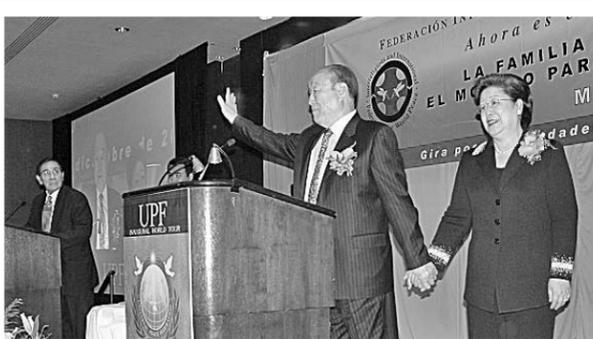
"Twenty years ago, while they were very

young, I was imprisoned in Danbury on a false charge of failing to pay \$7,000 in taxes, after I had invested a billion dollars for the sake of America. Ambitious and prejudiced prosecutors and others influenced by communist ideology or religious bigotry and corruption were behind the prosecution."

"I will mobilize billionaires in America to end poverty and starvation, to stop the outrage of 60,000 people per day from dying of starvation, many of them children. Think of the heart of God towards these people! Think of how their mothers and fathers feel! Also, I started the Abel UN to solve these kinds of problems."❖



December 21, 2005
Mexico City
MEXICO



December 19, 2005

Santa Domingo
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Both the Dominican Republic and Santa Domingo are named after St. Dominic, who founded the religious order known as the Order of Preachers, or Dominicans, the most famous of whom was St. Thomas Aquinas.

Dr. and Mrs. Moon were met at the airport by Senator Ramon Alburquerque, and received an invitation to visit President Leonel Fernandez in the Presi-

dential offices. However, due to the busy schedule of the afternoon they had to send their regrets.

The main event began at 6:30 PM. The hall at the Fiesta Hotel was completely packed with approximately 1300 guests. The event was very well organ-

ized, and the audience was spirited and attentive throughout Father Moon's speech.

Rev. Cesar Regalado was emcee. Senora Diana Contreras offered an introduction to the founder's life and history of accomplishment. Senator Ramon Alburquerque made a special presentation to Father and Mother Moon, and also received the leadership and good governance award.

"I wish I could speak only beautiful

things to you today," said Dr. Moon. "But we cannot sweep the truth under the carpet. Somebody has to tell you this news. That is the mission I have. I knew that incredible persecution, hostility and opposition would come.

"In the future, instead of me giving this message, I want presidents of the nation to give this message to the people. Perhaps at the end of this tour I will meet with the president of the USA. If so, I will present the same message that I am presenting to you today."❖



GOD'S IDEAL FAMILY: THE MODEL FOR V

by Rev. Michael Jenkins

Toronto held a glorious and wonderful conclusion for the 100-city World tour. The Ambassadors for Peace, led by Dr. Akbaralle of Canada, were just outstanding. Over 1,500 came to hear True Parents. Several members of the Canadian Parliament attended and there was very strong and diverse representation from the religious communities.

When True Parents arrived at the West-in Prince Hotel, their hearts were lifted by the warmth of the welcome from the Canadian movement. Dr. Chae Hee Lee has led the way and developed a beautiful spirit of unity and heart. Rev. Bob Duffy (President), Rev. Franco Famularo, Executive Director, and Rev. Mitch Dixon, (Vice Director of Canadian FFWPU) and their wives all did an excellent job. The Canadian movement is rich with faith and heart. (We sincerely thank the blessed families of Canada for making the final city of the World Tour such a great victory.) When

December 23, 2005

Toronto CANADA

sadors Peace Foundation. Alan Wilding, one of the first Canadian members, joined the lunch. Father was happy to see him and asked him to sing. Rev. Franco Famularo reported to True Parents and was able to share directly with Father concerning the heart of the Canadian people for God and True Parents. He also was able to present literature of the member of Parliament who lists his Ambassador for Peace appointment as one of his greatest points of pride. This member of Parliament, who is running for reelection, proudly lists on his campaign literature that among his greatest accomplishments is the fact that he was "appointed" as an "Ambassador for Peace" of IIFWP. Dr. Chae Hee Lee presented a 48" x 36" world map to True Parents that was the backdrop design for the

culture. We should all give special thanks to Dr. Walsh. He shared how Father Moon had overcome persecution and difficulty but now scholars, religious leaders and leading political leaders have joined this global movement for peace. Currently 10 heads of state were Ambassadors for Peace before they became head of their nations. He spoke to the candidates for Ambassador for Peace and shared that Toronto would be the 104th city in 71 countries. How incredible! Who in history has ever done such a tour? 104 cities and events since September 12!

Archbishop Stallings addressed the Ambassador for Peace Seminar and gave them clear confidence as to who Father Moon is: He is the one to bring this world together. He is the one for the Muslim, the Christian, the Jewish, the Hindu and the Sikh.

All of the key Canadian leaders (Rev. Dixon, Rev. Duffy and Rev. Famularo) addressed the audience. Two members of Parliament came and addressed the Ambas-

him !!! - This is walking on faith and courage and had an huge effect of strengthening those who believe in the scriptural model for marriage -- male and female). They stood as an example dedicating their marriage to God with faith in Jesus and love for True Parents while pledging to be faithful, never to divorce, and to become True Parents. All then joined the blessing, sharing the cup with their spouse or drinking for their spouse and themselves. Dr. Walsh gave the prayer of blessing, asking God to strengthen and bless these marriages and families.

Dr. Yang gave the special address (representing Rev. Kwak) and then the video, Man of Peace, was shown. The atmosphere was perfect. Archbishop Stallings then introduced Father. In three minutes he transformed the audience into one family. He let everyone know that the man coming before them this night is walking in the spirit of Jesus the Christ, with his mantle and anointing. He went on to say, if you looking for the fulfillment of scripture in the second coming, "you need not



True Parents entered their room it was so exciting. Due to the fact that True Parents would return to East Garden right after the speech, all the blessed families and especially our young people were there. They were so excited and inspired. Father had not come to Canada since 1995; now he has returned. True Parents chose several people to sing and the atmosphere was deeply inspired. Peter Kim sang "Danny Boy" and Dr. Yang sang "Holo Arirang," the national anthem of Cheon Il Guk. Bishop Stallings, who came to Toronto directly from Fiji, sang "Silent Night". The young people sang and Father called on many Canadian members. It was so nice to see the Michigan contingent of Rev. Hatcher, Bishop Weeks and two buses of clergy and blessed families from our Detroit IIFWP. (Thanks, Michigan). The main world Ambassador for Peace and the youngest, Shin Jun Nim, brought joy to everyone as he danced as we sang.

At the lunch table, Bishop Stallings was able to share a report on his Fiji trip and the overwhelming, heartfelt desire of the people of Fiji to welcome True Parents. The Christians in Fiji transformed as they heard the testimony of Rev. Edwards and Bishop Stallings. Father said, "Archbishop Stallings, you are Heaven's great general." Father now calls Archbishop Stallings "Double Stallings" because of his two sons. When we showed the picture of the boys with Sayomi and the archbishop, True Parents were so excited; they were fascinated to see them and how they looked. Father said they have the color of Jesus.

Then Rev. Mitch Dixon welcomed True Parents to Canada. Rev. Bob Duffy reported about the members of parliament and the development of the very strong Ambas-

Canadian event launching the Universal Peace Federation. This artwork (backdrop) had every city on the tour and lines tracing the air routes throughout the world. Father and Mother were very inspired and signed everything. (Very unusual before the event - it was obvious that True Parents knew that Canada would be a glorious victory). Finally Mr. David Stewart, who is Director of the Sun Moon Extension Site for International Students, and Stoyan Tadan presented photos of the school, which Father signed. Father was very happy.

Dr. Akbaralle, as leader of the IIFWP of Canada, came in to greet True Parents. A fine Muslim scholar and key leader of our IIFWP of Canada, he offered his deepest welcome, became overwhelmed with gratitude over Father's coming to Canada, and gave him a big hug and a kiss. Almost everyone there was stunned. However, because it is done from the heart from such a prestigious leader somehow, at that rare moment, it was totally appropriate. Father smiled and was very happy to see him. It is amazing how sensitive Father and Mother are to people with sincere hearts and a commitment to sacrifice.

At 4 PM our seminar for the Ambassadors for Peace came together. About 120 key leaders attended, including the rising star in the ACLC movement, the Rev. Daryl Gray from Canada. Dr. Akbaralle chaired the meeting and welcomed Dr. Thomas Walsh, Secretary General of IIFWP. Dr. Walsh traveled the whole world tour with True Parents and gave them incredible support. Dr. Walsh represented the Western world in a profound way on this world tour, being the person representing True Parents and Rev. Kwak to all the Ambassadors for Peace from every continent and

sadors for Peace expressing how encouraged they are to see such a body of people of all backgrounds with one heart to bring peace. Rev. Jenkins concluded the education session with the principles of the Ambassadors for Peace. He also introduced the current Ambassadors for Peace as well as a very special delegation of Canadian Korean War veterans, who stood proudly with their medals when they were introduced and honored. We then led into the Ambassador for Peace appointments. Dr. Chang Shik Yang, who represented Rev. Kwak in the Bahamas and Canada, made the special presentation on behalf of True Parents. It was a truly great moment.

We then went into the main hall. The place was packed. Our beloved members could get into only the overflow rooms, sacrificing their seats for the wall-to-wall dignitaries. The mayor, members of Parliament, women leaders, professors and especially key Religious leaders were present. Canada is very special in that it is very open to people of all cultures immigrating. This has created a situation with a great diversity of people. Canada is a cold country in the winter and yet the people have the warmest hearts.

Rev. Franco Famularo did an excellent work as MC. Imam Syed Naqvi of the powerful United Front of Canada gave the invocation. Then the Rev. Daryl Gray's choir (Imani Full Gospel Family Church Choir of Montreal) sang and created an atmosphere that melted all of us. Dr. Walsh led the blessing of marriage and Rev. Gray and Mrs. Olive Gray shared the cup of holy wine (juice). (Rev. Gray has become a household name in Montreal as he made a break from a major denomination, protesting the approval of gay marriage. Almost 1,000 of his church members went with

look for another." He is the one with the heart of Jesus. He is compassionate and a loving and faithful husband, a loving Father and (he said with a smile) a doting grandfather (we have seen that with Shin Jun)." and now after 104 cities and 71 countries Rev. Moon has saved the best for last, Canada - you are the last and the best.... and now you are to receive the Rev. Sun Myung Moooooon!!!!" Canada welcomed True Parents, and history has been sealed forever. Canada will rise to be a nation with enormous fortune and blessing from God. Canada will rise to lead the world into the Peace Kingdom.

As I write I can hardly contain the joy that I feel. This is the time that God has waited for for 6,000 years. This is God's time. Father spoke from 6 pm until 9:15. He won everyone's hearts. Toronto will shine forever on this foundation. Canada is God's diamond and capstone of this providential 100 city World Tour launching the Universal Peace Federation and realizing the Peace Kingdom. Father and Mother received special gifts and then they dashed to the airport to return to New York. Rev. Daryl Gray gave a powerful message to conclude. The banquet was a time of complete joy!

It began in New York; it now concludes this morning in New York with the celebration.

Thanks to Peter Kim and Won Ju for taking care of the King and Queen of Peace. Thanks to Rev. Kwak, Dr. Walsh and all our Continental Directors, Secretary Generals, Ambassadors for Peace and blessed families worldwide. Thanks to Shin Jun Nim -- he gave an incredible feeling of youth to our True Parents. This is a glorious day for Heaven and Earth. This is the Alpha and the Omega. ❖

WORLD PEACE • 100 CITY WORLD TOUR

Welcoming Rally for True Parents' Return to Korea after Inauguration of the Universal Peace Federation



Around 50 thousand people gathered for a rally to welcome True Parents--who just finished their worldwide speaking tour of 100-cities to inaugurate the Universal Peace Federation on December 27 in Ilsan city.

True Parents' work to establish the Universal Peace Federation first began on September 12 and it continued until October 2 in America, after that from October 3rd continued in Korea and Japan at the same time. After these three providential nations, from October 16 the worldwide tour began, which continued until December 23rd. During this period True Par-

ents tirelessly inaugurated the UPF in 120 nations.

In this rally, Dr. Hwang Sun-jo gave the opening ceremony and introduced the guests and VIPs who participated in this rally. Then Dr. Kwak Chung-hwan and later a representative of Democratic Party and the director of Korea University gave welcoming addresses. Then a brotherhood/sisterhood ceremony was held for the representatives of Yeong-nam (the south province of Korea), Ho-nam (the north province of Korea), North Korea, Mindan (the pro-Seoul Federation of Koreans in Japan), and Chochongnyon (the Pro-Pyongyang Federation of Korean Res-

idents in Japan). It was a time for all the participants to join in this ceremony overcoming all the barriers they have.

This was followed by a congratulatory song offered by Kim Dong-gyu. Prior to Father's speech there was a video presentation about True Parents' life course. After Father's speech there was a presentation of gift and flowers to True Parents by Korean and Japanese representatives. And with three cheers of euk mansei the rally finished.

Father's speech was called "God's Ideal family: The Model for World Peace". He said, "Think of the peace keeping role of the United Nations in the past. Some-

times it withdrew its forces even before their mission was completed. The Korean War was a good example. Under the banner of the Universal Peace Federation, we will serve as 'peace police' and 'peace army' to safeguard global peace. I hope that you will put on new 'true love armor' in this new age and be wise and brave activists in this worldwide peace force, for the sake of humanity's future."

This rally ended in a joyful atmosphere in which all the participants offered euk mansei for the True Parents' victory in their worldwide and historical work to bring about the ideal of peace.❖

December 22, 2005

Nassau BAHAMAS

by Rev. Gary Chidester

Bahamas gave a warm and victorious island welcome to our True Parents! The event was held in the grand palatial surroundings of the Atlantis Paradise Island Resort. With bright sunshine and, sparkling ocean water, and cool ocean breezes, the earth itself seemed to be cheering in the arrival of the King and Queen of Heaven and Earth.

The national messiah, Rev Dr. Sik Yu, had worked ten years to bring together leaders of the political and religious arenas, who turned out this evening.

Rev William Thompson, President of the Bahamas Christian Council, brought many high- level guests to help fill the banquet hall, set for 400. Mr Obie Ferguson, a major union leader, brought over forty guests as well. The Judean Baptist Church, led by Rev. Dr. Marina Sands, brought many guests from her church.

From Jamaica, the Governor General, the Honourable Sir Howard Cook, sent a

direct message to True Parents in support of the World Tour 2005! It was attended and read by the Honourable Audley Shaw, member of parliament, Deputy Leader of the Jamaican Labor Party and the Shadow Minister of Finance and Public Service. Among the dozen who attended from Jamaica was the leader of the largest mosque, Imam Mohammad Islam, who is an Ambassador of Peace in Jamaica. Special thanks to Rev. Mike Irwin who was instrumental in helping last-minute arrangements in the audio/ radio set up, as well as general affairs.

From Florida, Rev Byron Filus, our Co-Convener of Florida ACLC, invited the leaders of the Christian Missionary Alliance in Bahamas, and nineteen attended. Forty members attended from Florida, many arriving a week in advance to help support Rev. Dr. Shik Yu, among them our

Regional Director, Rev Dae Hee Hong.

Also, we had representatives of the ACLC from Miami and Orlando, who came at their own expense.

In the Bahamas, many of the brothers and sisters, particularly the Japanese sisters, gathered. Their prayerful support for these many years bore great fruit in those who attended True Father's speech. Even though the dinner was held back until after Father spoke, they all stayed for three and a half hours and responded warmly to True Father's questions. They seemed to hold onto Father Moon's every word, for they shouted out "yes" almost in unison as one loud voice, as it was appropriate to do so. Laughing out and shouting "amen" was a clear indication that these leaders supported Father completely! Bahamas is indeed a warm and welcoming nation!

During Hoon Dok Hae, True Father spoke of Bahamas as like a child island being born from the "mother" of the North American continent. Lying just a few miles

off Florida, it is more a geographical part of North America than the Caribbean.

This was a such a special experience for all those National Messiahs who have sacrificed and served True Parents all these many years. For me it became even more personal, when True Father was trying to get his grandson to dance by clapping and singing. The child ran back into the bedroom. At that point, True Father pointed his finger straight at me and asked me to sing a song. As I came up front he said "be quick" and "be strong." I was thinking I wanted to sing a western song, but my mind became suddenly blank.

I couldn't think of anything, except the tune of "Um Maya". So I started singing loudly and strongly, looking intently at his grandson, who then responded and danced, clapping as well.

The ocean breeze picked up and blew the white curtain out, billowing around the small child, as if to embrace him. True Mother laughed and clapped her hands. It was as if all of creation were joining in. It was such a joyful time to be with our True Parents.❖



God, Here I Am!

From December 27th, 2005 to January 1st, 2006, 55 High School students of the DC/Maryland area participated in an amazing Winter Workshop located in Centreville, Maryland. The theme of the workshop was, "God, Here I Am." Looking back on the workshop, I still can't believe how truly fruitful it was. The staff of our workshop really felt a longing to share God's heart and love with their younger brothers and sisters. For three months, 11 elder 2nd Generation did weekly conditions and meetings to prepare for this truly remarkable workshop. We wanted each participant to find a desire to meet God.

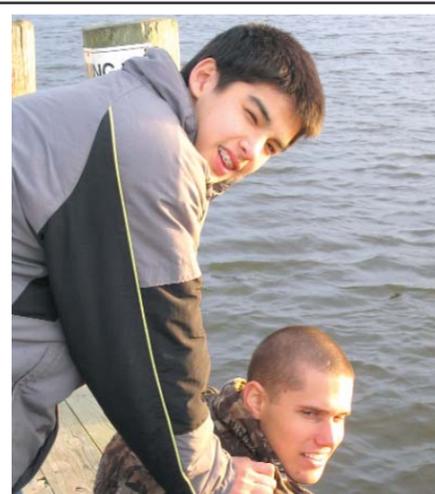
Our workshop began like any other workshop; the next morning however, the bunks were woken up at 5:30 a.m. and told that they had 10 minutes to meet outside with warm clothes on, ready for the day. Confused and completely disoriented, participants did unity jumping jacks as teams were called out. The teams were told to follow their team leaders to a van. And at 6:00 a.m. teams began to leave from the campsite.

Now this is not the usual protocol for workshops. In fact, the participants were completely surprised throughout the entire workshop. Each experience was new for them, but this adventurous schedule allowed them to experience God, true love, and true team unity in completely new ways. Teams arrived to small cities shortly after leaving from the campsite. Teammates had many questions for their team leaders, but the questions went unanswered. This day was focused on each person doing their portion of responsibility in order to meet God. After having been given a map and some clues, each team found a bottle in their city with a piece of paper in it. The paper had the following:

Your experience today is up to you. It may be an uncomfortable situation for you, but don't be afraid to try something different today. Remember that investment is never wasted. You have your brothers and sisters with you, supporting you all the way, so don't be afraid to invest your heart, and to believe in your potential. You may just be surprised as to how fruitful your experiences will be. God is waiting to have experiences with you. We just have to do our portion of responsibility first. We trust you, and we love you, but more importantly, God believes in you. Believe in yourself.

Below was a list of team objectives that had to be accomplished prior to returning to the campsite at 8:00 p.m. that night. Aside from team objectives, though, each person had a personal objective that they had to complete. The team

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The workshop was held December 26 - 30, 2005 with the theme: Father, My Life is for You! The purpose of the workshop was to help the 2nd generation of our region to better understand ways that they could practice this theme in their daily lives. Our goal was to help them realize that dedicating one's life to Heavenly Father is a process of steps and not always, and not only, a single declaration at one moment in their lives. Dedication to a cause comes from a time period of building up one's conviction to support it. We wanted the youth to know that making a commitment and practicing a life of faith in service to Heavenly Father and True Parents could be done in the small experiences of each day. It could be made in the small moments where one is faced to make decisions of either conscience or selfishness. Furthermore, that little by little one could make stronger and deeper commitments as they grew, instead of the common belief that dedication and motivation must automatically be set at the level of our True Father and True Mother.

To fulfill our purpose of



Dallas Winter Workshop

"Father, My Life is for You," we as staff felt it was important to first give the youth a testimony of an exemplary person who embodied our theme. We could think of no one else except Heung Jin Nim, the son who had given his life in place of True Father's. The testimony covered main points in Heung Jin Nim's life that revealed his love and concern for True Parents and his willingness to lead others to Them. Also, the youth heard about his care for all 2nd generation and how he challenged them to become people who could give their lives

for True Parents. He knew deeply and intimately the heart of True Parents, the heart of his True Family, and the hearts of the members.

Our staff, composed mostly of 2nd generation, agreed that hearing Divine Principle lectures would be the main part of the internal guidance in the workshop. Our desire was to show how to make Principle more real and applicable in their daily lives. Moreover, learning how to practice it would in turn be the way one could fulfill the theme of "Father, My Life is for You." The staff

took the initiative to lecture the content, and afterwards, our teams would practice it within their groups, re-reading the material and making effort to give a Divine Principle lecture themselves. There were many mixed feelings to such a new idea as "lecture practice." Some of the youth found it insightful and a learning experience, however, others weren't as enthusiastic, and were reluctant to lecture in front of others. Still, it was a chance to humble ourselves and to realize how much each of us lacks in truly understanding Principle and its applications. At the end of our workshop, we held a lecture contest made up of volunteers from each team.

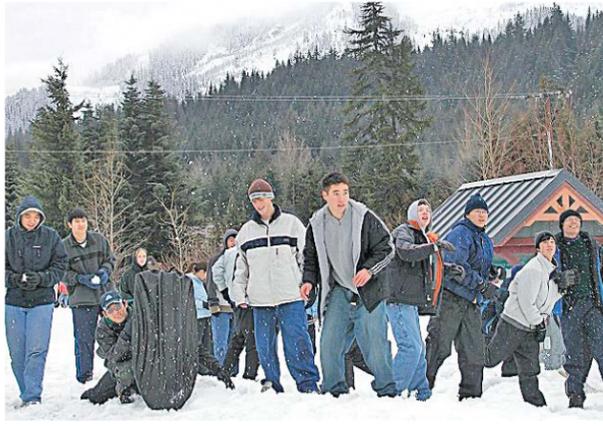
Other guidance throughout the workshop came from a personal testimony and a sharing of an experience with True Parents in East Garden upon return from the 100-city tour. The staff

Northwest Region Winter Workshop

Northwest Region held our Fourth Annual Winter Workshop held at a Catholic Retreat Center called Camp Don Bosco near Seattle on December 26 - 30, 2005. Our theme was "True Identity, True Value".

There were 108 Second Generation, including counselors and 13 First Generation staff. Guest lecturer was Mr. Joe Leonard from New Jersey. Mr. Leonard is well known in the East Coast as a captivating educator and as an older brother who really cares and invests mainly in the college-age Second Generation.

Mr. Leonard gave Free Teens lectures, some practical guidance about the blessing and also he explained the importance and the beauty of experiencing the 4 Great Realms of Heart. There were parents who gave lectures as well: Mr. Richard Stumpf from Washington, Mrs. Jane Bowman from Oregon, and also Mr. Jeff Adshead from Canada. All the lectures were very educational and also very creative. I felt a lot of investment of the parents in making the lectures as interesting as possible, since we often tend to "shut down" the moment we hear the word Principle. Our Hoon Dok Hae, read and discussed in groups, was from Hyung Jin Nim's Bald Head and a Strawberry which set the tone for honest reflection of True Identity.



This Winter Workshop's atmosphere was quite open and most of the participants were able to share their hearts. One night we had a repentance ceremony around the campfire and all the participants had the chance to repent and burn their confessions and also to shout out loud one of their goals for the upcoming year 2006. This was able to lead the participants to a very open and heartistic atmosphere. We had a testimony night, where our brothers and sisters shared their deep heart, with reconciliation among siblings, among team leaders and members and many others. It was a beautiful night, seeing everyone bonding and sharing.

The participants were able to come closer to each other, closer to their families and have a deeper spiritual reality in their lives. Many of them were determined to work on their relationship with their sib-

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member shared how she was so moved by True Parents' constant giving and loving. Also, we had a lecture about tips on prayer, and the importance of how one's actions in our day directly affect the depth and effectiveness of our prayer. Our final activity on the last night of the workshop was a candle prayer. It began with a letter-writing exercise with the goal of having the youth imagine how God would see each of them. "Is He proud of me? Does He love me? What is Your desire of me?" Youth wrote the letters addressed to themselves while making effort to take the perspective of God. Afterwards, we lit the candles and read aloud a revelatory letter from God. We wanted the youth to see how much God was loving them and to compare their own letters with the revelation. It was a tearful prayer, a chance to repent, to show our gratitude, and to re-determine ourselves for the new year.

Besides internal guidance, we had many outdoor activities to further support our theme of "Father, My Life is for You!" Sports teams were created with the goal of building teamwork and trust among members. On our second day of the workshop, the youth worked hard at a Service for Peace project called Shoes for Souls. There, they sorted and

boxed shoes that were to be sent to children in poverty-stricken areas around the world. The final activity was an exciting game of paintball.

It was a learning experience for all participants and staff as well. All the team captains and assistants testified to how they learned so much from their members. Also, members were given a chance to offer their own personal testimonies. Though they were short and simple, they revealed a sincere heart of gratitude as well as inspiration. They shared their heart, and, at times, touched upon the difficulties a member of our faith might be confronted by. It further helped to bring our small group closer together. There was such a strong feeling of family. Furthermore, the leadership was unique in that it was made up of a combination of Korean and American members. Though both serve our True Parents, it is a reality that both are quite segregated by culture and language. However, thanks to the efforts of our regional director Reverend Shin and our youth minister Rev. Shinchun Lee, our workshop could be success-



ful because of the good teamwork of both groups of Dallas church.

Reflection by Stacey H. Cho, Sunday School Teacher

The workshop which started from December 26 and ended on the 30th

of December in Dallas, TX was everything it could have been. As much as I hate to admit it, the workshop was truly inspirational and I say that I hate to admit it because I think the word inspirational is such a hackneyed phrase within the church. However, I cannot find a better word that describes what people go through at workshops. Together, Hero Hernandez and I directed this workshop under the guidance of our older brother, Shin Chun Lee. The task of directing was something that Hero and I faced for the first time because we were used to being captains before.



UTS grad named to Continental Leadership

On January 1, Rev. Eiji Tokuno, a Religious Education graduate of the class of 2004, was named Continental Director of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification in Africa.

Rev. Tokuno, a native of Japan, graduated in economics from Toyama University. He served for many years as the national leader of the college student movement World CARP Japan. He matriculated to UTS in the fall term

of 2001. While at UTS, he gained field experience with the American Clergy Leadership Conference in Chicago, IL, under the supervision of Bishop Ki Hoon Kim. He also spent several months at the Korean Language Institute at Sun Moon University, Asan, Korea.

Tokuno's final project at UTS was a study in the area of family ministry entitled, "How to Teach Purity and Marriage to Young Adults." Upon graduating, he undertook a one-year internship, again in Chicago, working in the

field of social action and ecumenism.

In the spring of 2005, UTS Founder Reverend Moon assigned Tokuno to regional leadership in West Africa. Tokuno helped organize the events in Moon's recent global speaking tour in Mali and Nigeria, which were two of the three African nations in which the 85-year old UTS Founder spoke.

At an international meeting on the morning of January 1, Reverend Moon elevated Rev. Tokuno to the Continental Directorship. The continental head-

quarters are located in Nairobi, Kenya.

Rev. Tokuno becomes only the second non-Korean to assume the Continental Directorship for the FFWPU, the other being an American woman, Rev. Kathy Rigney, who also served in the post for the continent of Africa. ❖

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Being the fifth workshop we've had in Texas, I had found myself quite familiar with the entire process. In spite of this, whatever I thought I knew flew out the door as I faced the challenges of directing something as extensive as a five-day workshop. The first night was absolutely lovely as we all joined together for the workshop. Many of the participants were friends by now and were immersed in the pleasure of being in each other's company. For many of these participants, these workshops not only provide a place for spiritual nourishment but also a forum for meeting friends that live far away. This is one of the reasons why workshops are so important. There are blessed children who live in towns where they may happen to be the only blessed family. This can be incredibly difficult for someone so young, especially when they are in the process of forging their own identities.

It struck me that so much preparation goes into making a workshop yet the workshop itself goes by so fast and

as soon as we've said our hellos we are already waving farewell. This workshop was great because the older second generation really took ownership in their role as older brothers and sisters by involving themselves in the entire process from start to finish. Hero and I lectured from the DP and we later found out from the participants' reflections that they really liked our lectures. Who can better relate to their struggles than the people who've already gone through them? I found it very important to make myself open to all the participants. It was also very important for me to open myself up to change since it is impossible to follow the schedule perfectly during the entire workshop. As a co-director I also realized how important each member of the staff was. A workshop is a team effort and while leaders may be necessary to guide the way, every staff member had to be there for the workshop to really work. It was imperative that the staff unite together in order to lead the rest of the participants. When accomplished, everyone in the workshop can come together to form a beautiful cohesion of togetherness and through this cooperative relationship spiritual enlightenment was attainable. This is something I

believe to be true and I think I can safely say that we were all able to unite and accomplish a successful workshop.

It was very important to me that I was involved in guiding my younger brothers and sisters. Growing up in Texas, there was no education for the youth here and as a result many were forced to struggle in identifying with the church and True Parents. I didn't want the BC generation here to have to go through the struggles I had to go through. Through this desire, I really had so much fun in this workshop.

It is so great to watch everyone grow and change for the better. I really want to be there to help the second generation find happiness in their lives within the doctrines of the church. I find our roles as older siblings one that must be taken with a whole heart. While there are certain things to improve, we all acknowledge that workshops are a part of the growing process here in Texas. Workshops keep getting better and better. We've created a great foundation and I hope that I can continue to be involved in the workshops and play a role in let-

ting the second generation flourish here in the mighty state of Texas. ❖

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lings and parents, do better in school and become a better child of God. We realize the constant need of investment in our Second Generation and the importance to help them understand who they are. Many participants shared that they want to learn more about our True Parents and True Family.

Special thanks to all the Second Generation who took leadership responsibility as counselors and team assistants and to the staff who volunteered their time to dedicate to the education of the Second Generation. We are looking forward to organize the upcoming workshops but also realize that most of our children's education happens at home and encourage families to talk about ways to bring the education to life at home and at school on a daily basis.

Pictures and more information are available at <http://t2nw.com> ❖

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was not allowed to return to the campsite without each person fulfilling their portion of responsibility. Examples of personal objectives were: find 10 people who love God, and take a picture with each of them, do 120 push-ups throughout the day, and pray for a new member of your team each hour from 7 am to 7 pm. Teams struggled to make decisions together, to work together, to fundraise together, and to love each other. But they did it. And they did an amazing job.

Coming back to the campsite, the teams were glowing. They had broken through with each other in one day, and were now ready and willing to make the effort and commitment to find God. Testimonies went on until 1 in the morning. Each participant had an amazing and positive experience that they wanted to share with their brothers and sisters. The entire workshop focused primarily on God, the aspects of His heart, and our relationship with him. Prayer walks, video's with scenes of parents losing their children used to portray God's broken heart, extreme team building activities, testimonies, performances for God, letters from parents to their children, and talks from local parents made up the basic schedule of the workshop. And I personally have to say that I found it to be a completely balanced

workshop; a good mix of fun, sincerity, activities, and internal content. God's heart flowed throughout the entire workshop. Everything we did was connected to God. And, for the first time, Heavenly Father became real to some of these 2nd Generation. The most amazing part of the workshop was not that many of us had life changing experiences, because we did, but that these participants changed their life when they came home. So many Blessed Children understood and appreciated their parents for the first time. And because of that, our community is thriving.

Workshops tend to be inspirational, but many times issues rise when the participants return home. Sure, the workshop was amazing, but what happens afterwards? I can honestly say that we had an amazing "after-the-workshop" experience. We were able to bring home the heart of the workshop to our community in ways we had never done before. At church, the following Sunday, we did a joint 1st and 2nd Generation Sunday Service, in which parents and children were crying, holding hands, singing to Heavenly Father. A sense of real community was sparked during that Sunday, and the feeling is continued and being built upon. But you know what the most amazing part of this workshop was? It was just the beginning. Because Heavenly Father... Here We Are. And we mean it. ❖

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The Encyclopedia Project

The Encyclopedia Project is an exciting new project for developing a compendium of knowledge uniting values and facts. On May 1, 2005, Reverend Kwak approved an online Internet encyclopedia that moves forward the vision which has been a long-time goal of Father Moon, including substantial pioneering work on the project in the early 1990s.

The current editorial team is now working extremely hard to generate a body of knowledge so that the general reader will learn information, not just for its own sake, but for its value to the world as a whole. The underlying goal of the encyclopedia is to promote true knowledge that leads to human happiness, well-being, and world peace.

Every step from the smallest to the grandest, from the most mundane to the innermost purpose is taken with immaculate care and attention. The goal is to produce 10,000 articles by mid-2007. Presently the project seeks writers in all fields. More information can be obtained by contacting Robert Brooks, Managing Editor: robert@encyclopediaproject.net



REV. MICHAEL JENKINS

Rev. Jenkins is the President of the American Church

A New York Sunday Service

I felt moved to write this small report about one of our church services in Manhattan. The service led by Rev. Desmond Greene was uplifting and most inspiring. Rev. Bruce Grodner, the Vice Regional Director of New York region, was also there, as was Rev. Juanita Pierre-Louis, and her husband Edner. Rev. Edner Pierre Louis did a beautiful job as emcee of the program. The attendance was quite strong, and the 43rd Street sanctuary was completely full. Rev. Edner led the service, which also included powerful praise gospel music and holy songs.

Rev. Juanita has been very important in our NY movement for many years as a most faithful and dedicated leader. She has done so much for clergy, connecting them to True Parents, truly a religious leader who knows how to move people's hearts. She has always been like a true sister to me throughout my course. Rev. Juanita led the praise portion of the service and then Rev. Edner gave a very beautiful introduction to me, which was quite unexpected. He shared about his own experience of receiving the different reports that I write when I'm with True Parents and how that helps him and other members connect with True Parents directly. Rev. Edner Pierre Louis is a very special blessed brother who is very successful. He and his wife make a very powerful couple for building the peace kingdom.

Rev. Beryl Greene is Rev. Desmond Greene's wife. She also has a spirit of incredible kindness, and both in Manhattan and Brooklyn they have developed some of our strongest ACLC clergy, including Chairman Bishop Cecil Riley and many other key leaders. They have such a heart to invest everything in the work to bring about the kingdom. It's very moving to see them working also as a couple. Through thick and thin they've always been very effective and very serious about Father's work to bring

Christianity together, and also to pastor and lead our community.

Rev. Greene's sermon was truly magnificent. He developed his sermon basically by following the contents of Father's 120-city world tour speech, "God's Ideal Family, the Model for World Peace." In every way it was meaningful and uplifting. It really hit the mark of the meaning of Father's speech and the central point of changing our blood lineage, and the meaning of the holy blessing as the central work to build the Peace Kingdom.

I felt Rev. Greene has really matured in faith and become such a great rep-

resentative of True Parents. We're very proud of him. He's always been ready to work with me at any time, 24 hours a day, on any occasion. We've traveled together in Brooklyn. From the small churches to mega-churches of New York, Rev. Greene knows them all. It's a profound experience to see the dedication of True Parents' sons and daughters and how they are going 24 hours a day, 7 days a week without hesitation, knowing that our goal is to unify the hearts of people and especially the religious people to heal this land.

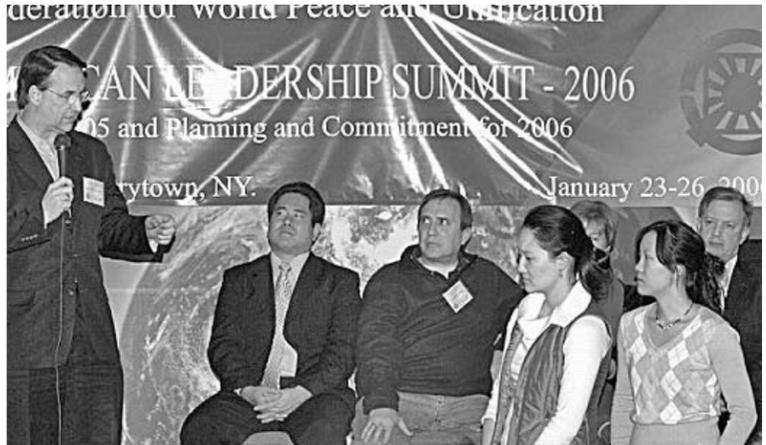
Rev. Grodner gave some guidance and closing remarks and his leader-

ship in the region is definitely helping bring everybody together to a new level, centering on Rev. In Hoi Lee. Rev. Chen Fong also testified about he witnessing center, which is another breakthrough occurring in NY.

Mrs. Debbie Gullery came, chairwoman of WFWP for NY. She announced that she and Mrs. Alexa Ward would be meeting with all sisters concerning WFWP, concluding the service with a very beautiful spirit. The service was powerful and uplifting and I'm very proud of our NY family. Congratulations on advancing the kingdom. ❖

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WOMEN TEACHING DIVINE PRINCIPLE

ACLCLC Women in Ministry Seminar in DC

January 14, 2006 - Unified Federation of Churches Building

Forty Women of God from all races and different backgrounds melted together in heart and spirit as Mother Johnson of Lively Stone Worship Center spoke the closing prayer at the end of the first ACLCLC Women in Ministry Divine Principle half-day seminar, on Saturday, January 14th, held at the UFC building (Unified Federation of Churches, also called

"God's Embassy") in Washington DC.

The program began at 10:00am with a simple breakfast. Evangelist Wanji Rowe, our emcee, did an outstanding job by bringing a sweet and loving spirit, weaving together the different elements of the program. Visiting from out of town were members of the national coordinator team, Rev. Ethel Hayes from Houston Texas, Rev. Tessie Willis from Dallas Texas, Rev. Tanya Edwards from Philadelphia, and Evangelist Carla Jackson from California, who had come a few days earlier to meet together for planning and to join this program.

The first PowerPoint lecture was giving by Sister Lynne Sofnowski from Baltimore introducing ACLCLC and "The Principle of Creation" Her sincere



and clear way of teaching helped us to understand more deeply God's hope at the beginning of time when He created the world and humankind as well as to understand each person's original and true purpose as defined by the Divine Principle. The lecture was followed by group discussions around the tables where everyone had a chance to share their thoughts and insights, thus bringing us closer to one another.

After lunch we had another presentation on the Human Fall by Elder Sennie Johnson, the wife of Bishop Phillip Johnson. She fully explained the Fall through Biblical scripture and the Divine Principle. Without using a blackboard or slides Elder Johnson elucidated the origin of evil and the motive and process of the Fall with remarkable clarity and intense spirituality. She gave her whole heart to teach us.

The final presentation on the Principle of Restoration was given by Rev. Angelika Selle. She conveyed the depth of God's grieving heart as the Parent of lost humanity. Rev. Selle's presentation on the Principle of Restoration was thorough and concise, revealing God's active work in the history of humankind. To conclude, Rev. David Reed, the national Hoon Dok Method DP lecturer, encouraged all participants to further study and gave excellent assistance in

the panel question and answer session that followed.

This was the first effort for each sister, woman of God, to present DP lectures in public who felt God's calling to challenge this position. All were truly moved by their prayers and sincere efforts to respond to God's call in this manner. The spirit of God moved mightily. According to Rev. Reed, a very unique and powerful spirit and atmosphere were created by women lecturing in which the word could be received by the audience. We thank God and True Parents for opening this providence for women of faith to teach and educate.

After one year of having fellowship meetings every other month we felt that the Holy Spirit manifested again powerfully just like at the founding meeting in Ocean City two years ago through the prayers, songs and the presentations themselves. There was healing and edification, and many women felt inspired and confident that they, too, can share this precious teaching.

Those of us who worked to make this program happen thank all the guests for joining this program and brothers and sisters who helped make this possible. It was also a great inspiration to see our elder sister, Mrs. Reiko Jenkins, initiating this program and to witness an enthusiastic team of Japanese sisters and local regional sisters working together so harmoniously and sacrificially for the success of this day.

The heartfelt support of the national and regional ACLCLC leadership, regional leader Rev. John Paul Hong, and vice-regional leader Rev. Randy Francis were much appreciated, too. ❖

Review by Kevin Thompson

Towards a Sustainable City

By Mose Durst Ph.D.

Honestly speaking, when I first received this book I had personal reservations, thinking to myself "What is this all about? Is this some environmentalist attack on modern society and the evils of capitalism? Is it something I really want to read?" Well, I have to say that I was thoroughly educated and the biggest compliment I can give the book is to say that I was stimulated to read it very quickly as it was interesting from start to finish. Sometimes I get a book and the first chapter or two gets me very interested only to find that the rest of the book doesn't live up to the beginning. In Mose Durst's book that wasn't the case, each chapter was as good as the one before and I read each detail with a sense of awakening as to what is going on around me that I previously knew little or nothing about.

President Bush in his State of The Union speech said that America has a problem with being dependent upon foreign oil. Dr Durst speak about this issue in one chapter concerning the need to have our cities become Pedestrian-Centered not Automobile-Dependent. Having grown up in England where my family never had a car

and went everywhere by bus, then coming to America and for the past 20 years never having been on a bus I was skeptical that America could make a transition from being Automobile-Dependent. This chapter convinced me that we could, with the right education and determined will, at least substantially reduce the dependency and create cities that are cleaner, and more community friendly.

This book is not an attack on America's wastefulness and pollution-creating industrial machine. We already know that America is the world's greatest consumer nation, but here we also have clear evidence cited to show that America, in many ways, is responsible for many of the creative and "effective tools to prevent degradation." As well as pointing out the problems Dr Durst has especially

made great effort to research and showcase the wonderful inventive ways that individuals, businesses and educational institutions are offering successful alternatives to short term destructive ways which have been used so far. As he points out in the case of the downtown Marriott Hotel which is utilizing ways to be sustainable and helpful to the environment while still turning a profit, then the extra benefit of this is that employees can see they can do likewise at home as "most people, it appears, like to save money and protect the environment."

There is a fascinating chapter about companies such as "Specialty Crushing" and "Urban Tree Mill" which take old building materials and old wood products that would normally end up clogging

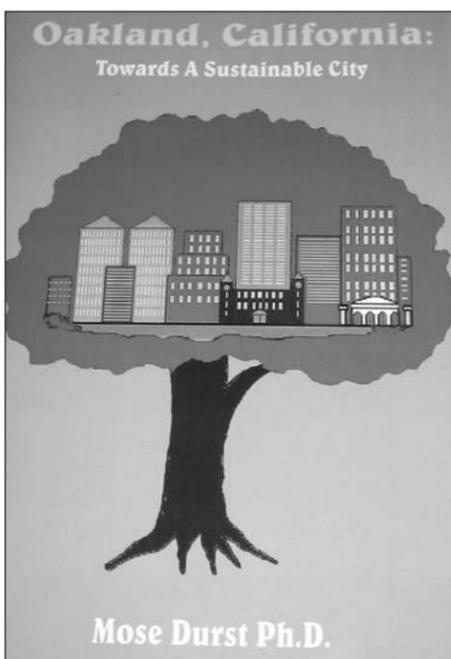
up landfills and turns then into recycled building materials and all the while they are making a profit while helping they environment. What could be better than that?

One aspect of the book which is often missing from discussions on the issue of sustainability is how all the major aspects of a city can work together harmoniously. Isolation from others with a vested interest in the same issues can create more problems. What is needed is a 'holistic' approach with an understanding of each other. The private, public and non-profit sectors can strengthen each other rather than deter each other's efforts. The book argues for "several key principles lie at the heart of a sustainable city" and that if "citizens understand these principles, a shared moral vision can motivate us to act virtuously in creating and maintaining a high quality of life in our cities."

The book has a special focus on the city of Oakland as a case study of what is happening good and bad, in one American city. However there is much in the book that is applicable to all cities and serves as an encouragement for us will to renew our efforts to make our cities better and leave a legacy of hope for future generations. ❖

BOOK REVIEW

Towards a Sustainable City



Mose Durst Ph.D.

What to know about the Unified Martial Arts Tong Il Moo Do

To do a big task an adventure is always necessary, for that you must harden your body; No matter how hungry you are in the morning, Exercise first. (True Father. Early church speeches)

I am thanking God for the opportunity to announce in this paper what the World Tong Il Moo Do Federation is doing in order to help bring peace to this world through promoting universal values among young and old people alike.



Tong il Moo Do was originally founded in New York By Dr. Joon Ho Seuk (1979) through the inspiration of Dr. and Mrs. Moon Sun Myung with the purpose of creating an outstanding unified martial arts which will be able to guide and instruct people of all ages in various areas of their life such as self-defense, health improvement and spiritual discipline which are the main concerns for most people in general.

The art of TIMD has a well-systematized and comprehensive philosophy based upon universal values transcending boundaries by harmonizing and unifying the values of East and West, traditional and contemporary values, spiritual and secular or material values.

TIMD trainees are require to live a righteous life by adopting and pursuing the three main goals of life, by first of all becoming a person of mature character that can develops the capacity to love and serve people; second by establishing a happy and healthy family where true love predominates, and the third goal is to use our creativity and abilities to contribute positively to our communities and society by helping and living for the sake of others.

On Jan 5th, 1979 Dr. Moon gave Instruction to Dr.Suek to teach Tong il Moo do at the belvedere training center and at UTS in the US.

Soon After Tong il Moo do was thought to the security guards at East Garden.

On Easter Sunday, April 15th, 1979 Father Visited the Gym at Belvedere in order to see the guards training. After a brief exhibition he wrote a calligraphy with the words "Advancing bravery forward with discipline" This was the Official Beginning of Tong-il Moo-Do

Soon After TIMD became the main focus of attention at campuses of several universities where CARP-USA was holding unification Thought lectures under the title of "The Martial Art and Unification-ism" lead by Grand Master Dr. Jon Hoo Seuk.

And kept making a big impact not only in the USA but in a world level as well.

With key international Masters Instructors of TIMD such us: Mr.Kensaku Takahashi, Takamitsu Hoshiko, Don Harbour, Venus Agustin, Ichinori Tsumagari, Vincent Belmonte, Gustavo Guliano, and many others made possible that today TIMD is being thought and active in every continent, conducting workshops, training seminars and international tournaments involving young people from many different cultural backgrounds and traditions this way promoting a culture of heart.

TIMD also serve as and educa-

tional tool for Churches and NGO's by teaching lectures on Character Education (IEF) and by promoting service projects that will benefit the environment in needy communities such as African and South American countries where we are very active.

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IN MEMORIAM Henri Blanchard

The Seung Hwa ceremony of our brother

in faith Henri Blanchard, first member in France, took place in Vannes, Brittany on the west coast of France on Tuesday, January 24th, 2006. Henri was born on April 22 1943. He joined as the first member of the Unification Church in France, on March 21, 1968. He received the Blessing on October 21, 1970 (777 Couples). With his wife, Hilde, they have 4 children. He was a long-time President of the Unification Movement in France. His last mission was one of the representatives of France, among 84 IIPC Peace Ambassadors in Korea.

About 120 persons assembled in a tent erected near the funeral parlour outside the city of Vannes. The white colour of the tent, the green grass under our feet and the smell of flowers gave the ceremony at one and the same time both a pastoral and a spiritual quality.

A whole coach load from Paris filled up half of the places while the immediate family members filled the podium, including Henri's four physical brothers



and many nephews and nieces. Mr. Takenori Hashimoto, European FFWPU Vice-President, and Mr. Mark Brann, Secretary General of the European chapter of IIFWP, had come from England with Carlo and Barbara Zacharelli representing Britain. Numerous participants from Austria, among whom Gertrud Koch and Therese Heizinger, were also present.

Flowers and messages from the whole world continued to arrive as the ceremony got under way.

At 2 pm, Dominik Dedours, the dynamic Master of Ceremonies inaugurated the ceremony by leading cheerful holy songs intended to assist Henri's ascent into the spiritual world.

Jean-François Moulinet, National Leader in France, read a short biography and some passages of a book of testimonies written by Henri in 1985, one of which had been extracted from an article which appeared in Today's World.

Then Didier Guignard, responsible of the Blessing Department, offered Henri's

favourite song: "Dieu tout-puissant".

Then the most important messages were read. First the moving and deep message of True Father himself given that same morning:

"Henri Blanchard has been faithful to his duty. Henri has been an absolutely honest, sincere and faithful man".

Then came those of Rev. Kwak, President of the International FFWPU, Dr Yong Cheol Song, Continental Director of FFWPU in Europe, and also those of other personalities and friends of Henri Blanchard who had not been able to come, among whom particularly Reiner Vincenz, his spiritual Father.

There were also two testimonies; Dr Colette Takigawa recalled some experi-

ences with Henri, and Mark Brann recalled Henri's marvellous character experiences through close experiences with Henri over many years.

The most touching was when, at the end, Jin-I, one of Henri's daughters gave a testimony of her father, reminding everyone of his high standard of living for others, of his relationship to God; then Hilde, his widow very brave, yet frail at the same time, concluded with simple and deep words, all full of Heaven's deepest love.

At the end sticks of frankincense were lit, as the farewell homage of the participants, for Henri's ascent. After a last song and a concluding prayer, the procession went to the neighbouring graveyard, for the interment of the coffin, signifying the end of the journey on Earth of our dear Henri. ❖



by Rev. Michael Jenkins

February 2006 - Cheong Pyeong Heaven And Earth Training Center

Rev. Linda Triggol has given herself for many years as a person with a beautiful heart, loving God, True Parents and humanity. She has been a state leader for many years and worked in all front line missions in our church,

Rev. Linda Triggol is Honored by True Parents as Best American Member 2005

fundraising, witnessing - on all levels. She went to Cheong Pyeong for the special leaders training in 2003 for 50 days.

She went to Israel for 90 days with the Special Task Force and supported the Continental Middle East Peace Initiative, staying the whole time in Jerusalem. She gave herself faithfully. She battled cancer and almost lost her life in 2005. During that time of great trial she never stopped being grateful. She received incredible support and healing power from God, True Parents and DMN in 2005. She remained faithful. Then the blessings began to flow. Her daughter Jolynn was blessed in the Gyocho blessing with Sung Il Taylor. (Jolynn volunteered to have an interracial blessing and she pleased True Parents so much with her spirit).

Then three leaders were submitted for recognition for the Best Member of the Year for each continent. True Parents, with the help of Rev. Kwak, chose Linda based on The Continental Director, President and many other key leaders' recommendations. We submitted her life history and accomplishments and the testimon-



ny about her heart through life-and-death trials, especially supporting the Israel providence and being a state leader. Her spiritual son, Bobby, who became a full-time member in Indiana, was blessed also in the Gyocho Blessing. Her husband John is African, from Angola. He is a white African and they were so happy that their daughter could be married to an African American. They felt it was destiny.

When the cancer was found Linda was diagnosed with little chance of survival. They removed a tumor the size of a small soccer ball from her. Prayers went out throughout the world and she said she felt those prayers. She met DMN in Chicago and renewed her strength. She overcame with love and faith.

She is honored as a great American and a great woman in American history.

Her service and sacrifice has been recognized by True Parents. We are so proud of you, Linda. You are a great daughter of True Parents and a great Blessed Wife, Mother and leader. May God give you, your husband and family a long and prosperous and healthy life. You are an exemplary American, and you have made America proud before True Parents and history. ❖

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God is

God is One; revealed in the Torah says the Jew with his menorah!

God is Three; a holy trinity theologizes unabashed Christianity!

God is like an elephant and a rat whispers the Hindu meditating on his mat!

God is yin and yang in Confucian slang!

God is your enlightenment smiles the Buddhist totally content.

Allah is merciful & omniscient bows the Muslim so self-sufficient!

God is golden nectar & mystique sings the colorfully turbaned Sikh!

God is the maker of all life holy & sacred demonstrates the Jain buck naked

Let's not argue says the Unificationist God is all of the above but centered most on unchanging Parental Love!

Lloyd Howell

World Seonghwa Ceremony for Mrs. Choi Won-bok The Mother of Faith, Love and Devotion

Mrs. Choi Won-bok passed away on January 15, at 2:35 p.m. at the age 91 at her own house, while fighting a chronic disease. Her Seonghwa Ceremony was held at 8am on January 19, 2006 at the Little Angels. Her Weonjeon Ceremony was held at 11am on the same morning at Paju Woenjon.

Around 2000 people, including leaders of organizations of the movement, continental directors, national messiahs, representatives from each continent, blessed families and student of the Little Angels Performing Arts School, gathered at the Little Angels Performing Arts Center for the world seonghwa ceremony for Mrs. Choi Won-bok. She was born in May 4, 1916 and joined the movement in 1954. After that she offered her life for 52 years to support True Parents in all their providential work through out the world, and restored the Eve position in the Cain side of the world.

True Parents arrived in Korea in the early morning of January 19; they went to the hospital around 2:00 a.m and prayed for Mrs. Choi and opened her way into the spirit world. On January 15 after hearing the news about Mrs. Choi's ascension, True Parents wrote in a calligraphy for her: "Shin Ae Choongmo" (Mother of Faith, Love and Devotion) and blessed her with a life of absolute love, absolute faith and absolute obedience.

The seonghwa ceremony began at the Little Angels Center at 8:00 a.m. with Rev. Song Yong-seok as the master of the ceremonies, as he gave the opening remarks. He then guided all the participants in a holy song, which was followed by a prayer from Rev. Yu Dae-haeng of the FFWPU Japan. After the flower offering by Dr. Seok and his wife on the stage, Professor Moon Lan-yong of WFWP International, gave a brief report on Mrs. Choi's life and accomplishments. Following that, a video presentation brought memories of Mrs. Choi back to all the participants: the way she talked, the way she smiled, and the way she had offered her life.

Dr. Kwak Chung-hwan, the chairman of IIFWP International and the president of the FFWPU International, gave the seonghwa address, which was followed by the laudatory addresses by Dr. Hwang Son-jo of the FFWPU Korea, Rev. Yang Chang-shik of the FFWPU North America, and Mrs. Kang Hyun-shil as the world representative.

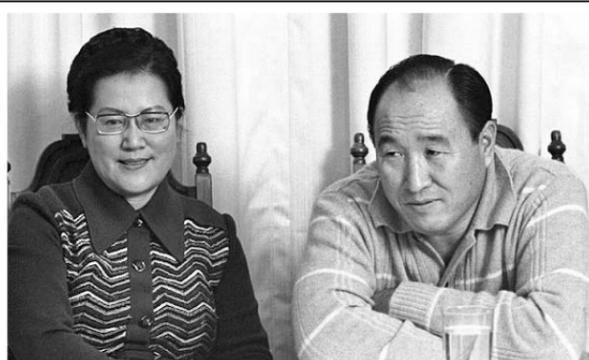
A student group of the Seonhwa Arts School offered a holy song with very beautiful voices, which moved everyone. After that there was an offering of flowers from all the world representatives which began with Rev. Kwak and Rev. Hwang and continued with representatives of the leaders of the organizations of the movement, continental directors and representatives of the national messiahs, local representatives of each continent, and later all others who participated in the ceremony.

The ceremony at the Little Angel Performing Arts Center ended around 10:30. The seonghwa ceremony at the Wonjeon began around 12:00 with Kim Young-jun of the Blessed Family Department as the master of the ceremonies. After the opening remarks and a holy song, Rev. Kim Chang-kyun offered a prayer. Rev. Hwang Sun-jo of the FFWPU Korea, gave a speech pointing out the accomplishment that Mrs. Choi had throughout her life of faith. This was followed by the offering of the flowers by Mrs. Choi's family members. After that international leaders and representatives offered flowers.

During the last minutes of the ceremony True Parents called, asking about the program. And as Rev. Kwak gave a report, True Father thanked everyone who participated in the ceremony for their heart and devotion in completing this ceremony, especially Mrs. Choi's family members.

A Brief History

1916 May 4: (lunar calendar) Born as the only daughter of Mr. Choi Ki-hong and Mrs. Yu Hwa-sook in Kaeseong, Kyunggi Province.
1923 - 1929: Kaeseong Girls Public General School
1929 - 1933: Kaeseong Hosudon Girls High School
1929: Participated in Kwang-ju student movement, went



to prison for 40 days because of planning Kaeseong student's independent movement
1933 - 1937: Seoul Ehwa Women's University English Department
1937 - 1949: Ehwa Women's University Graduate School, instructor, lecturer and work as vice professor and went to the United States as exchange professor invited by American general affairs bureau.
1938: married when she was in graduate school and had 3 sons Seuk Mo-jing, Seuk Joon-ho, Seuk Il-jing.

1991 - 1992: The first president of the Asian Peace Women's Federation
1992 - 1994: The first president of WFWP
1994 - 1999: Sunhak scholarship foundation: first chief director
1994 - 2006: WFWP honorary president
1998 June 13: Blessed with Buddha spiritually in Madison Square Garden in New York.
2006 Jan 15: Ascended to the spirit world in her house in Ilsan at 2:35 p.m. at the age of 91. ❖

Father's Words on Mrs. Won Pok Choi

An excerpt from True Father's speech at the Ceremony for the Total Dissolution of Resentment May 1, 1975, Chung Pyung Lake, Korea:

"We must first dissolve the resentment of God. Next is the dissolution of resentment of True Parents. We must also solve the resentment of Mrs. Won Pok Choi, who is celebrating her 60th birthday. Mrs. Choi stands in the position of a mother and true woman in the fallen world. In this ceremony she will establish the condition to indemnify all the failures of women in history. So the spiritual world and the fallen world up until today must all be indemnified centering upon Mrs. Choi."

1950 - 1952: America, University of Michigan Graduate School in English Philology,
1953 - 1955: Ehwa Women's University professor and director of students
1954: Join HSA-UWC
1956 - 1958: Seoul women's medical school (Now Useok University) lecturer. during a break, she went witnessing abroad
1965: Attending True Parents, she went on the First, Second, Third World speaking tour. She went on speaking tours to 40 nations four times
1972 - 1977: Responsible for World Mission Department in American HQ and doing education, counseling
1977 - 1987: Sunhwa Arts Middle High School principal
1988 - 2006: Sunhwa Arts Middle High School honorary principal and Sunhwa School Foundation director, Foreign student in Korea education center (World international blessed family's children education center) principal



Life requires constant preparation

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THE NEW VOICES OF OUR GENERATION

Ground-Breaking 2nd Generation Leadership for Positive Change

by Rev. Jenkins and Kenritsu Yamamoto

UTS is offering a once-in-the-history-of-our-movement-chance for dedicated 2nd Generation to pioneer a path into actual leadership positions and create positive change in our movement!

The Unification Theological Seminary and the Family Federation are looking for thirty 2nd Generation who have graduated college or will graduate this spring and are highly motivated to create REAL and positive CHANGE in the leadership of our church.

UTS is offering the Young Oon Kim scholarship, a "full-ride" to 2nd Generation who are interested in becoming leaders in our movement—or at least devoting two years service after graduating. This scholarship is funded by local church communities and major donors who have a vested interest in the future of our young leaders in America as well the future of the nation.

In order for the ideal of 2nd Gen inheriting the movement to become reality, 2nd Gen must stand in the position of true owners by rejuvenating and revitalizing our church with fresh ideas. 2nd Gen who receive this scholarship will graduate from UTS and receive paid positions in our movement with the full support of the Continental Director of North America, Dr. Chang Shik Yang, and the Family Federation President, Dr. Michael W. Jenkins, as well as the Regional and Vice-Regional Directors of North America.

We would like all graduates to complete the scholarship program by offering themselves in training, ministry, and interfaith dialogue for peace for a specific and fixed period of 2 years after graduation with salary. This ministerial experience will be designed as an important "Career and Resume Builder" so that time in ministry will be one of great internal and external development.

After the "ministry period," we would like to work carefully with these young leaders to examine what their "calling" is in the work of Kingdom Building. Some will want to stay in ministry; some will want to move on to other careers. In that case, we are asking all affiliated organizations in the Unification Movement to open their doors to employ and utilize our youth leaders in the field of Ecumenism, Middle East Peace, Media, Finance, Banking, Business, Medicine, Law, Civic and Social Service (including running for public office), Performing Arts, – basically all areas that are touched by the vast and com-

prehensive work of our movement to better society. Second Generation are needed everywhere. Rooted in True Parent's heart and tradition, they will bring a fresh new approach to all our efforts to better humanity.

This is the greatest way possible for 2nd Generation to thank our True Parents and 1st Gen elders for their profound sacrifice, by inheriting leadership in our movement.

Dr. Tyler Hendricks, President of the Unification Theological Seminary, has promised that the recipients of this scholarship will be backed and encouraged to help create and engineer ministry programs that are attractive, innovative, and exciting to young people.

UTS is looking for 1st Generation who wish to support this initiative financially, or by spreading the word in their local community. Those interested, please contact Robin Graham at: ROBIN2100@aol.com.

UNews will be publishing developments in the Young Oon Kim initiative, as well as introducing key people who are involved in this in upcoming issues. Updates and information will also be posted regularly on the UTS website, at www.uts.edu.

For more information, please contact Kenritsu Yamamoto, at yamamoto@gmail.com, or 510-914-5050.

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Message from the Editors,

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We are looking to fill this section of the paper with the following submissions: articles written by our first and second generation focusing on second generation – that includes ALL second gen's!

Please submit: ads for upcoming events; ads for products you have created that are for sale; ads for educational materials/workshops/events and anything else pertaining to education; original works of writing (or excerpts of writing) in all forms including short anecdotes, opinions, comments; write ups on events such as workshops, getaways, and initiatives done by and for second gen; inspirational and thought provoking testimonies.

If you have an idea for submissions to this section, please let us know and send something in. If you would like to send original artwork, please note that they will appear in UNEWS in b&w. All submissions must include name, contact info, relevant dates, etc.

Please send all submissions for this section via email to: newvog@gmail.com. Submissions sent in hard copy (cd's, photos, etc.) will only be returned if accompanied with a self-addressed return envelope.

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Dear brothers and sisters,

I want to say how inspired we are by the increasing participation of our young leaders among the 2nd generation blessed children and Jacob's children in many of our activities at Headquarters and around the country. We believe in you and know that your creativity and the many gifts that God has given you have yet to be utilized fully by our national and international movement.

We feel a sense of "revolution" going on in the hearts and minds of the members of our movement in America, especially in the young people. We want you to know that we completely open our doors and our hearts to your input and involvement. This section, which is going to be written by and creatively developed by our 2nd generation and inspired brothers and sisters, is one step that we are taking to reach out and ask for your help to guide the development of our movement in new and refreshing ways.

Please feel free to contact me directly through Yen and let's see how we can open the floodgates of inspiration and tap the infinite power of your heart and energy as the future leaders of America and the world. There are no limitations to what is possible if you are inspired to change this world.

The providence is moving at a breakneck speed. Soon we will go to the Middle East again and our work there has put us right in the middle of the peace process between Palestine and Israel and the leaders of the Abrahamic faiths. While we strive to be in the forefront of peace efforts in the Middle East, we also desire to create a sense of family and community within this movement in America and so, towards both these missions, we hope you will want to be a leading force.

True Parents love and respect you, and Dr. Yang and I want to extend our heartfelt gratitude for your continued support and participation in this movement towards peace.

Sincerely,
Your brother,

Rev. Michael Jenkins

Darkness

Kenritsu at UTS

Hello, brothers and sisters! This is Kenritsu Yamamoto, a.k.a. Ritz, writing to you from the freezing woods of Barrytown. Please allow me to introduce myself or give you an update in the life of this Yamamoto. I've managed to hang on to my Blessing since 1998, and have officially achieved "old fart" status by becoming the owner of a fine green minivan and having produced two loveable little girls, who people unfortunately say, look like me. Recently, I stepped down from my years-old post of youth minister in California, after leaving a cushy job under the CEO of a booming start-up in San Francisco, to drive across the country and move to the East Coast, to enroll as a student in the Unification Theological Seminary, a.k.a. UTS.

The first question people ask me nowadays is, "So, what [in the name of Jesus, Mary and Joseph] made you decide to go to UTS?" Well, my dear brothers and sisters, there are many reasons why I've come to UTS. Perhaps one was the fact that as a young boy, my head was gashed open by a swinging bench during a summer workshop at gorgeous Aetna Springs. Perhaps it was the fumes I inhaled from the burning paint and ceiling tiles running out of our burning apartment one starry night when I was in grade school. Or maybe it was the kicks to the head I received one

Valentine's Day selling flowers in the wrong neighborhood in our nation's fine capital, Washington, D.C.

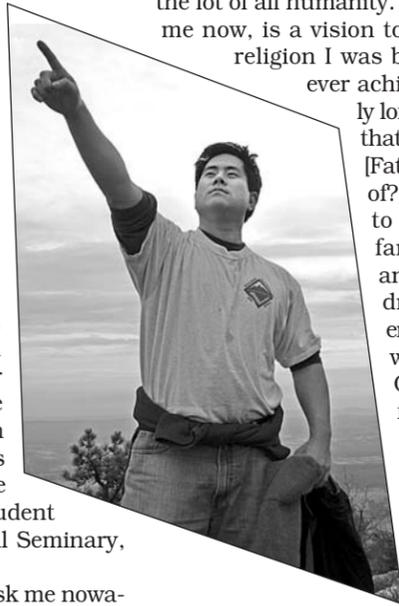
But the truth of the matter is that at my very core I am still, and always will be, an idealist and a dreamer. I cannot let go of this desire to do something to improve the lot of all humanity. What is in front of me now, is a vision to improve this old religion I was born into. Can we

ever achieve those infinitely lofty ideals and goals that "our founder, Rev. [Father] Moon" speaks of? Is it truly possible to achieve an "ideal family"? Can we do anything with these dreams of our parents, elders and those who came before us? Or are their sacrifices all for naught and will our birth into the "Unification Church" become just an interesting story to tell when we're old and gray? Me,

I'd like to be able to tell my grandkids that I did my part to change the world. Or at least that I gave it my very best effort.

Frankly, our movement and way of life is in decline. There has been zero-growth in our movement due to the fact that our intrepid 2nd Generation have not been able to find that spark their parents had, back in the day. The movement our parents joined, as fresh-faced youths full of hope

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THE NEW VOICES OF OUR GENERATION



Young Actors Fall Workshop NYC

by Jason Williams

When I first started to get involved in second generation culture a few years back, what I quickly realized was the impressive creative spirit of the community. Later I came across the following quote at a Cheung Pyeung workshop: All you need to fulfill your dreams are creativity and a desire for goodness. Something clicked, and my mission was realized.

A value-led creative collective; an integrity-driven artist alliance. There had been one before, and we already were one now. All, I realized, that we needed to do was connect what was already there, distinguish our purpose, and get to work. I figured the best thing to do was to get busy on seed projects, something to stimulate the energy and spark the interest of our ready minds, and gear us toward some of these future initiatives I was dreaming of.

I was inspired to hold a workshop for young actors after speaking with a younger second generation brother. His passion fueled my own, and though I had no interest or knowledge of acting I decided that there was enough second generation interested in the craft to put something solid together. I had something more "small" and "casual" in mind until I called up my friend who would go on to co-coordinate the workshop with me, Jennifer Barry,

who insisted that we go all out. Why not, I said.

With great support from Kate Tsubata and the W.A.I.T. team, we hosted the first ever Young Actors Workshop the

The program consisted of presentations and activities led by local area professionals in the field, including casting director and photographer David Cunningham; drama head at the HUN Insti-

pants a unique opportunity to experience the city of New York in its diverse and intimate settings. From an independent studio in Williamsburg, Brooklyn overlooking the Manhattan skyline, to the campus of NYU TISCH, to the streets and parks of East Village and Midtown Manhattan, these young actors were challenged continuously to elevate themselves to the far expanses of their un-comfort zones, and explore the medium of acting not only with each other but through supervised improv interactions with pedestrians, park-goers, store employees, and even fellow street performers.

The over-all purpose of the workshop was to give those passionate about the dream and reality of acting an opportunity to explore both the artistic and professional aspects of the craft, while at the same time cultivating their character along the way and strengthening their spirit through friendship and uniting on a common dream. Through the atmosphere and presentations, we strove to impart to the participants the spirit of value and purpose in the arts.

We plan on holding similar workshops in the near-future and throughout, covering all mediums of integrity-driven art and creative exploration. If you're interested in attending these workshops or helping to develop your own, please contact me at lucid_dreamers@hotmail.com and I'll try my best to support you and help connect you to the appropriate people. ❖



weekend of Nov. 12th through the 13th 2005. There were about 20 of us all together: 1st Gen, 2nd Gen, and even a couple girls from outside of the community who I had recruited by e-mailing drama departments of local area high schools. I thought that it was interesting that one of the two non-UC girls to attend was a very sweet and talented actress who came all the way from a small town in Pennsylvania called New Hope.

tute in Princeton, Julia Ohm; local area actors Vadim Newquist and John Mato; as well as an in-depth discussion on "purposeful arts" and "dreaming big" led by Diego Costa, the founder of Illuminating Culture (illuminatingculture.com) and Culture Machine (culturemachine.com) alongside Kate Tsubata founder of the WAIT Team (waitteam.org).

Locations were constantly changing throughout the weekend to give partici-

Open Mic Night

by Kazu Watanabe

Low lights, candles, music; sound romantic? Several young blessed couples felt it could have been so had it not been for the more than fifty young adults crammed in a basement for a night of good music, good company and a lot of laughs. I asked Kazuaki (Kazu) Watanabe to describe his initiative for the open mic on Saturday, December 3rd, 2005 in his own words.

"The open mic (which has still not determined a name for itself) was an idea that Jasun Feddema and I had. We wanted to use the space in Jasun (Jaybo)'s basement publicly in some way. Being musicians (and me an avid coffee enthusiast), we thought it would be perfect for an open mic/coffee-house. Once I had confirmation that we could use his basement I started to organize a substantial event right away. I recruited Kevin Farrant, Chen Longo, and Kolsen Pickard to be my main help in setting this up, as well as Jasun.

The idea behind the open mic is to provide an environment and space conducive to absolute free expression via song, poetry, monologue, etc. Ideally, the environment should be so positive and feel really like a collective family that the fear of judgment or nervousness from performing would disappear, allowing us to feel free to be ourselves on the microphone. This is an initiative to build a community of like-minded people who are cinterested in performing arts in any way.

There are so many blessed children in the New Jersey/New York area that are incredibly talented, so I wanted to allow them all to come together, to inspire each other, and to share what each has to offer. However, the event was non-exclusive. Around a dozen non-Unificationists came from the New York area that all had a really good time and were impressed by all the performances. One of those kids' dads even came and performed (Aaron Maine's father, Peter Maine) and commented how he was inspired to see something like this put together and hear everyone perform. He stayed the entire time.



Aaron

To me, this is even more important. The culture we want to build through a positive, free-expression performing arts community is a way to outreach. These "outside" kids who came saw the immense joy and satisfaction received from music and performance without having to drink or take substances. Everything starts with culture.

This is relatively new and things happened really fast. The outcome of the event was beyond all of our expectations. The response we got from it was immense. Omata even said, "Open mic was just about the greatest thing that's happened to me this year" We realized shortly after the event how much power and potential we have for something really big with this open mic idea. So, we are now in the process of making more concrete plans, mission statements, vision statements and all that jazz. One thing is for sure though: this is not a one time deal. We are going to have one in January and try for every month consecutively."

Though she was unable to perform herself, a good friend of mine who wishes to remain anonymous, said this about her experience at the open mic: "There's



Jaybo



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just something about music that brings people together. Cliché as it may sound; it was once again proven true that weekend in New Jersey at the open mic night. People were packed in tight enough to make sardines feel claustrophobic, but no one seemed to mind. The passion and the energy contained in that little basement was enough to create something of an iconic and infinite moment for those who connected. No one who was there that night could

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First Meeting of North American Representatives for Second Generation Education

We had the 1st National Meeting of Regional Representative for Second Generation Education (RRE) during the 2005 educator conference at UTS. It was held as a part of the conference. Twenty-two U.S. regional representatives and two Canadian representatives gathered at that time.

We shared 1) True Parents and Hyun Jin Nim's Vision for Blessed Children. 2) Official Introduction of RRE and leaders in the Second Generation Department. 3) Sharing Second Generation Department vision, mission, and strategy (Goal setting for the next year). 4) Sharing the current situation of Second Generation education in each region.

At that time, the Second Genera-



tion Department shared the Nationwide focus for 2005-2006 Second Generation Education.

1. "God - True Parents - True Family" (Vertical Axial Line) Education
2. "Vision - Mission - Core Values" (Alignment) Education
3. "Leadership" Education

We also had a certificate of appointment ceremony during the meeting. We felt as one team; and started together to establish one God-centered human family.

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Teenage Workshop in Ohio

by Chris Rood

We want to give you a short report on our recent 2nd Generation Teenage Workshop. It took place at the Ohio Family Church from December 29th to December 31st. There were forty-three teenagers from 13 - 19 years of age. The diverse group melded together well from the first day and actually made new bonds by the end of the workshop.

The first day was designed to help them settle in and connect to God. To do that, we showed the DVD "The Privileged Planet" and took them to a mountain for a group prayer and individual prayer walk. Groups of 7 to 8 were formed with older Second Generation as group leaders and volunteer parents as advisors. We closed out the day with the DVD movie "March of the Pen-

quins". It is the story of love and family in a classic example.

The second day, we utilized the "8 points for Living a Life with God and True Parents" talk given by Hoon Mo Nim. Each point became a topic, with an overview and then each group dispersed to mentor each other on that topic. Later, each group presented its report to the rest of the workshop.

The third day, we used the topic about "Don't Eat of the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil". After the group discussions and reports, the boys were divided from the girls into separate rooms. A 2nd Generation Blessed Couple, Garrun and Yusun Abrahams, volunteered to speak and hold question and answers. Garrun took the guys and Yusun took the girls. After an hour this session was still going strong. However, we moved into the closing of the

workshop, had lunch and cleaned and prepared the church for God's Day celebration.

There were some beautiful and moving reflections written by the participants. Suffice it to say hearts were opened and it allowed for a new start for the 2nd Generation and their families to have a new beginning for the new year.

The original goal was to "get something going" and maintain regular workshops and educational activities on a continuous and consistent basis. God fashioned this style of workshop for different reasons. In the future, we will make the workshops more age specific and tailor the content according to the group. In reporting to the congregation on Sunday, I challenged parents to make some radical changes in the new year which will allow them

more time to interact and teach their children. The education starts there. The young people heard the value of reporting to parents and God. They were challenged to make adjustments and a new beginning, too.

Finally, it was explained to the congregation that there have been some warning signs already concerning the second generation. We can't fail them any longer. We have the support of the regional leader to develop an educational course. We can't wait for the "big pattern" to come from headquarters and beyond. The 2nd Generation thrive when they are together and learning about the meaning of their lives; This is God's lineage, we are the caretakers.

(Copies of the workshop schedule and Hoon Mo Nim's talk are available via email from Chris Rood at foxdoor48@columbus.rr.com)❖

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and vinegar, has become a church, which they would not have dreamed of joining as young people. 2nd Generation don't know where this movement is heading, and don't know what their identity is. Our movement has reached an incredible low, and if things continue this way, it will slide off the edge of the pages of history into obscurity and oblivion.

If our movement were a person, you could say that it has hit its "zero-point". Now, the visionaries and prophets of our past would be the ones to tell you that it

is during our darkest hour that the greatest opportunity can fight to surface. I believe that now is our chance to build upon the sacrifice and foundation of our elders. Now is our time to actually DO something about it, instead of complaining about how things could be better. This kind of chance comes only once in hundreds of years of history, and we 2nd Generation stand on the very tip of the iceberg.

I came to UTS looking for a chance to open the door for my 2nd Generation brothers and sisters to stand up; to be the change, the hope, the real inheritors and owners of our movement and life style. I was looking for an opportunity for us to create a rebirth of our movement, to make it our

own, make it exciting; make it a benefit to people financially as well as spiritually, and to have fun doing it. People can focus on their personal faith, and building ideal families. As we become the owners, we become the authors of the movement, and we can make these things possible.

This campaign is not just another church campaign to suck people into the bitter humdrum of a pointless position in the movement. The powers that be want to take action against the glaring problem that there is barely anyone following in their footsteps.

If you come to UTS, you will be given the chance to be one of the first people (possibly in the history of our movement)

to create something new. I talk to Dr. Tyler Hendricks everyday now, and we talk about how 2nd Generation can make UTS a more interesting and attractive place. He has no problem with us starting music and art ministry, creative financing clubs, interning with other religions, and gaining experience working in non-church communities and non-profit groups. Any great ideas you have will be given the chance to be tested out and tried. The best thing is, that after graduating, you only have to offer two years in service, doing something that you are passionate about, and build your resume for your future career, after which you are totally free to walk the path you choose. Our movement needs people who excel in business, finance, law, and people who can affect the culture of our nation through art, music, performance and expression. What is your passion? What is your God-given gift? How can you contribute to a healthy and exciting movement?

Brothers and sisters we can turn UTS upside down! We can make big things happen in our movement, we can give a new meaning to the word "success", and most importantly, this would be our greatest "thank you" to our True Parents and our own parents for what they gave up for the sake of a dream.

This is the dream of our God. Let's show Him we share it. ❖

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deny that music is a powerful force to be reckoned with. While in a sense, an open mic night doesn't seem like anything revolutionary, no other word seems appropriate to describe the feeling of that night. There was a tangible magic, like anything was possible."

As a fellow artist

trying to have some influence in this world, it's great to see and know that there are so many talented and dedicated musicians among the second generation in our community who come together not only to perform for each other, but who open their arms to their friends

in their neighborhoods and welcome them in to their community. Whether it be an open mic event, an art exhibition, an arts fest, a sports festival, or a night of just hanging out, the potential to utilize the cultural arts to communicate, influence and create relationships with others

is a seed each of us have within us. Let us never forget to use the many talents that God has given us to bring peace and joy to those around us.❖



Omata



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THE NEW VOICES OF OUR GENERATION



Montreal Winter Workshop

by Richard Fortin

After the successful visit of our True Parents in Toronto on December 23rd, last stop of their 100-city tour, 40 BC teens from Toronto, Hamilton, Ottawa and Montreal gathered at the Montreal church for our annual two-day Winter Camp, on December 28-29. Blessed Families kindly hosted all the teens living outside of Montreal. This



ner, during the question period, BCs really expressed their honest concern and worries about the Blessing. They also asked about teenage boys and girls relationships.

On the second day, we enjoyed God's Creation by going to a ski resort. Volunteer fathers and mothers drove



hospitality gave a special family spirit to the workshop, especially for those coming from far away.

This year's camp aimed at a better understanding of the Core Values as expressed by Hyun Jin Nim and of the Principles of Creation. The first day consisted of three sessions of study followed in the evening by a session of Q & A, of goal-setting for 2006 and finally of testimonies. Throughout the day, we could feel the bonding of all BCs and their desire to be educated in the Principle.

Etienne Laurin, a two-year member of the European STF and actual president of HARP in Montreal gave the first presentation on "Core Values and the

Culture of Heart". He also co-hosted this 2-day gathering with another older second generation, Paula Duffy. Rev. Franco Famularo, Regional Director of Eastern Canada taught the BCs about "The Purpose of Life and My Responsibility as a BC" and "My Relationship with God". After lunch, we went to explore the picturesque Mount Royal where we can see the whole city from its spectacular belvedere. During this outing, our elder member Marc Laurin shared with us about the religious origins and development of Montreal. After din-

everyone to the ski site. After taking a one-hour lesson in skiing or snowboarding, the beginners enjoyed practicing their new sport; the experts went on many slopes all day long. At lunch time, we could witness the true friendship existing among all the Second Generation. They were all so happy to be together again as many live far away from each other.

Back at the church, the film "Cinderella Man" drew everyone in. Afterwards, many shared their thoughts about this exceptional movie, what inspired and moved them. For these BCs, this is one of the few times in the year when they can meet and share all together about God and True Parents. No need to say that everyone is looking forward to the next workshop!❖

Penny for your thoughts

Greetings! My name is Jin Kwon Kim. For those of you who don't know me, I recently stepped into the position of the youth minister in New Jersey. I'd like to create an anthology of anecdotes with the purpose of hearing what the BC's have to say about our lives. I will be working with a team who will edit and produce this anthology in what we hope will be a printed compilation of these stories or messages or writings to share with everyone.

I'd like to invite teenagers and young adults (ages 13-29) among the 2nd generation to submit at maximum (3) pages (if longer, please contact us) of writings, poems, musings, manifestos, anecdotes, and anything in between, that adhere to these following guidelines:

- Content reflects solely person's own experiences.
- Content excludes all swearing or language that is offensive
- Content shared can be learned from and has the potential to help others grow spiritually, and heartistically.
- Content excludes any and all denigrating remarks towards anyone.

Submissions must include contact information, age, post mailing address, email address and city of residence.

Any current issues are more than welcome topics, provided that they are written with a constructive/inquisitive purpose in mind.

Submissions must be sent via email to: info@bcyouthgroups.com, subject heading (Your Thoughts...)

I have a strong desire to create dialogue and a sharing of heartistic and meaningful experiences among the second generation here in America. I hope there are other BC's out there who feel this way and will support this project wholeheartedly, with a serious frame of heart and mind. There are some major concerns we are being confronted with, and given human nature, we generally tend to have a bigger reaction to all the bad things that happen in our lives. This effort came about to let people know what we don't always hear, some of the positive stories and amaz-

ing people out there, and not just to make us all feel all warm and fuzzy inside, but also to look at the issues we have in our community. This is not just an attempt to do a pep rally, but to start taking a long hard look at some of the issues at hand, and take action on them, rather than passively wait for these issues to engulf us.

I have recently witnessed and experienced people making a difference in people's lives, and would like to share those stories and hear stories from all you out there as well. Rather than operate in the mode of, I can't do it, this sucks, why me, why not find out how to move forward and create something powerful for all of us?

I see the potential in so many people I meet, and am blown away by some of them. I say we start to find a way to harness that (especially in the BC community) and we will not only start to see, but actualize a nation level difference making community. I am also curious to see what people out there are thinking in general as well. I am not really looking for answers, although some may be supplied, and I don't think this is going to change people's lives dramatically, but I do think it may be one of many things that can make a difference if we can start to hear each other's stories and opinions so that we can learn from each other.

The nature of this project is voluntary, so submissions will not be paid for. All submissions will be edited and upon release, will be open to public viewing. I would prefer submissions include a name that can be released with the anecdote, however, if you wish to remain anonymous, please make that clear. Your name will be excluded, however your age and city will be added. All submissions will remain private and only for me and my team's viewing until it is released. Everyone who submits an anecdote will receive confirmation via email. Submissions that my team and I feel do not adhere to the above guidelines will not be used.

Please contact us at info@bcyouthgroups.com if you have any questions. Thanks for reading this message, and I eagerly look forward to hearing what you all have to say,

Thank you.
Jin Kwon Kim

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IRWP SERIES ON RELIGION AND PEACE AND INTERRELIGIOUS DIALOGUE

The Role Arts in the Aftermath: The Role of Art and Artists in Creating a Culture of Peace in the Post 9/11 Era

by Laura Brooks

Artistic awareness, responsibility, inter-cultural understanding, respect, and self-governance were among the themes touched upon in a stimulating two-hour debate and dialogue, hosted by the IRFWP, and chaired masterfully by New York City Symphony music director David Eaton. The dialogue was held in the New Yorker Hotel, NYC, February 15, 2006.

In the immediate aftermath of the 9/11 terror attacks, many began to ask if there is something in Western culture and values that provoke these horrific acts of violence and destruction. Some consider such introspection misguided, but others feel it reasonable to examine Western cultural values, especially those expressed in communities seemingly driven to assail morality and normative boundaries.

The ambiance for the discussion was ideal. The New

Yorker Hotel as a patron of this peace effort continues its support, contributing greatly to the growing success of this series. IRFWP relies upon the quality of the environment for its conversations due to its willingness to openly discuss "hot"

topics, topics considered too intense for open discussion elsewhere. To be able to meet this challenge safely and constructively it is crucial to operate in the right environment. The inspiring vista of the Skylight Lounge with its the panoramic view of New York City greatly enables the IRFWP to realize its goals in these discussions.

The panel consisted of British-born, internationally acclaimed sculptor, and founder of the Millennium Monument Project, Donald Brown, and singer songwriter Laleh. Together they discussed the responsibility of artists in the context of contemporary world tensions.

Both Donald Brown and Laleh are socially conscious artists already long involved in speaking on values and other horizons of artistic reflection at the philosophical level. Additionally their performance and artistic product extend their views on the role of artists in the elevation of society, and the pursuit of peace.

David Eaton's deft moderation and carefully crafted questions and framing of issues allowed panelists to move rap-

idly to global issues. The current travesty surrounding what are now called "the Cartoon Wars," remained the backdrop of much that was discussed. Audience members remained engaged throughout and participated intensely once the debate was opened to the floor.

A special benefit of the evening derived from having artists as the principals. Both panelists presented their art. Laleh, accompanied by Diego Costa sang an original composition, the sound track of the Heart to Heart DVD, for peace in the Middle East. Donald Brown presented a dramatic account of his sculpture commissioned by the Pinnacle awards film festival.

Laleh's title-track song Heart to Heart moved the audience, as she brought her multiple octave range to amplify powerful and lyrics.

Sculptor Donald Brown spoke eloquently of the importance of artists being understood and seeking to be understood through self explanation and contextualization of their work and intentions.

This two hour event was attended by social leaders from varied backgrounds and faiths. When artists speak so eloquently and sensitively on the purpose and mission of art, the universal goal of world peace has greater hope to be realized. ❖



Education Department of FFWPU

by Rev. Phillip Schanker: Vice President of FFWPU

The recently re-established National Education Department of the Family Federation for World Peace & Unification-USA, is currently developing materials for Divine Principle education, informative and inspirational videos/DVDs for cable broadcast, in-home and larger gatherings or 1-on-1 laptop witnessing, and curriculum materials and resources for Sunday School and home education for our Second Generation.

Additional projects this year will include: an educational website to introduce the new visitor to our move-

ment and ideals; developing a national DP workshop system including 2, 7, 21 and 40-day workshops to support Hoon Dok Family Church outreach; and developing a variety of educational tools to reach young people through music, video, comics and other media.

Exciting internships for Second Generation are available with our Washington, DC-based department, allowing creative and interested young people to help develop materials, express your ideas, and learn communication and education skills in the process. These include video camera and production, PowerPoint and webpage design and curriculum development.

The Education Department, in partnership with UTS

and its Center for Education, seeks to support and empower committed and innovative educators throughout our movement. We invite youth with a passion to find effective ways to articulate our ideals to participate in the 5th Annual Educators Conference at UTS. Visit: www.centerforeducation.net for conference details, and click on the "Education" link at www.familyfed.org to keep an eye on new materials and programs as they become available. Or call Dave Hunter, Curriculum Development and Second Generation coordinator at the Education Department, at (202) 319-3200, ext. 136, or by Email at: education@familyfed.org. ❖

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Rev. Phillip Schanker and Mr. Simon Kinney are the core creative team behind these productions, with guidance and support from Dr. Yang, Rev. Jenkins, Rev. Daugherty and the ACLC Clergy. They are currently available in VHS format, soon to be available

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This article is about our imaginations, and how they relate to our everyday 'real' lives. People's dreams have a marvelous individuality, and still, tend to align with familiar categories.

Pragmatic manager types, and the most austere of believers, deem imagination a frivolous waste at best, and a toehold for sloth, or for satan himself, at worst. In truth, imagination helps make us human. Machines don't have it, not even the best computers. Some animals do, but only in the simplest form. And without it, us humans would be nowhere.

Descartes drew a sharp division between mind and body. Since then, philosophers have wondered if anyone could be sure that their own mind wasn't the only 'real' one. Today, scientists can monitor physical brain activity, but still lack a working theory about our minds. Among the top contenders, materialistic Reductionism is absurd, and mathematical Complexity Theory is fascinating, yet neither has definitive answers. The Divine Principle, and Unification Thought, add some amazing details, but they don't spell out a full description either. Consciousness and self-awareness remain profound mysteries.

WRITING

The best way for people to know each other is through give-and-take action. For most of history, we could only do that face to face, or indirectly via bards and their epic tales.

Thousands of years ago, simple little ownership 'seals' became representative hieroglyphics, and these developed into phonetic alphabets. Oral traditions were recorded by Homer, the Hebrew elders, and other scribes. Then some nameless author unleashed his (or her?) imagination, and wrote the first novel.

Meanwhile, the ancient Greeks invented theater, in which a troop of actors play out scripted roles, while their audience simply watches. Formal stage acting was an astonishing breakthrough, one that's enriched us immeasurably. Imagine if Aristophanes and Shakespeare could've seen movies based on their work.

Today, publishing is a huge business, and it's changing month by month. Sites like www.lulu.com now enable a writer to publish a 'print on demand' book for zero cost! With a fully automated system, their offerings are going to be about 99.9% garbage, but a few gems should appear.

REAL LIFE

GENRES

Many people make a living by selling imaginary tales to the world. By convention, their stories are marketed and filed by genre, and each genre has its devoted fans. These writers also bring up interesting facts, and create amazing plot twists, that we can all share with others.

Every genre has its positive and negative aspects.

Science fiction (SF) is mostly about astonishing, and hopefully possible, futures. Fantasy shows us that magic can still be possible. On the other hand, F&SF is notorious for its geeky loner types; and with its movies, enthusiastic fans who go way overboard.

Mystery novels engage our memory and analytical skills. They teach fans to be observant and logical, as few people normally are. But, sometimes, they incite copycat crimes, in which a reader imagines they'll get away with it. (Some actually do . . .)

Thrillers teach us about the inner workings of specialized agencies and their unsung heroes. However, for some people, they can make everyday life seem all the more dull by comparison.

Horror tales excite our emotions, with a thrill and a zing. They lift fans out of routine boredom, like a roller coaster ride without the E ticket price. That's about it. Happily, real-life reenactments are scarce.

Westerns, in books and film, give us a familiar American mythos, and make us into vicarious heroes. They tell of a simpler time, when Good Guys and Bad Guys fought in the open, and guess who always won? However, in our modern world, gunning down every bad guy in the middle of the street probably isn't a good idea.

VALUE

As an SF maven, I'd thought I had no use for Romance novels. For one thing, there is a huge gender difference, with Romances being read by about 90% women. Most of the remaining 10% are gay or in prison. (I won't bother to describe Romance's newest subgenre, 'romentics'.)

The ladies in my writer's group determined to give me an appreciation for the Romance genre, and guided me to some excellent novels. I'll grudgingly recommend Betina Krahn's work. She's respectful of religious belief and morality, though like all Romances, her stories get rather overheated, plus obsessively anatomical. (Almost all Romances: there's a Christian subgenre, too.)

SF and Romance are usually at opposite poles, in the realms of mind and heart, and often in matters of love and fulfillment. Women seek constant emotional give-and-take, and assurances that love will have a place in their lives. In some Romance subgenres, readers also gain knowledge about other times and cultures. In SF, however, even the most brilliant and savvy hero can remain clueless, jilted, and miserable.

The Romance genre has another serious negative. Many of its novels ignore traditional morality, and include 'rough'

plots and scenes that, if tried in real life (by naïve youngsters or desperate older women) will surely bring disaster.

MEDIA

The news media has genres of its



own, and since it's drawn from ongoing true events, a close application to real life. Viewers can gain much knowledge from each media variety.

It helps to understand their leanings. News magazines take outright political stances. Also, there is plenty of variety in NewsTalk radio. In far too many cases, fans of one variety have little in common with, and even less respect for, fans of another.

Want to relate with all sorts of people? Have a conversation that isn't an argument? Try a media test on yourself. It will take you one work week.

First, put the radio where you can't throw it, or throw something at it. Then spend two whole days listening to Rush Limbaugh and Sean Hannity, on the conservative side. On the following two days, tune in Air America all day, for the liberal view. (If it's not available where you live, try National Public Radio instead.)

On the fifth day, listen to a determined middle-of-the-roader such as KGO 810's Pete Wilson. He's an expert at presenting facts, and getting both Left and Right furious at him—at the same time, and over the very same issue. If you're not in northern California, catch him at 2 - 4 PM Pacific time, at www.KGO.com. (Follow up if needed. Guest hosts don't always count, nor neutral topics. Not that, here in the Bay Area, there are any politically neutral topics!)

During this test week, no talking back is allowed, only listening. You will learn a lot. It should also become clear who is better at broadcasting, not to mention, correct most often. The ratings do reflect this, and sharply.

CONCLUSION

Every fiction genre and outlet has room for Principled themes. So does NewsTalk radio.

Mel Gibson showed us there is a huge demand for religious movies, but to make his "The Passion of the Christ," he had bypass Hollywood's greedy libertines entirely. It struck people's imaginations so hard that some viewers confessed to past crimes.

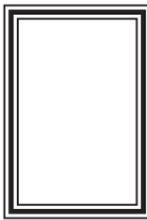
So far as I know, there are only a handful of Abel type video games. (The Harvest Moon series is wonderful.) For anything really Principled, we'll have to make our own. Use your knowledge and skills to offer good things for people's imaginations, and also for their real lives. ❖

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Internship Connection Program

by Nari Stephens.

Announcing the birth of an Internship Connection Program under the Blessed Family Department. It is the brain-child of several people and their hopes for the future of our movement toward God's Ideal. The main purpose is to create a place where my brothers and sisters could find an opportunity to explore, experiment, and experience just what the First Generation is doing in the world for True Parents.

The focus is learning to live a God-centered life in this age of Chun Il Guk. There are so many fields of interest that our members are working in and the chief pioneer of them all has been Father, himself. He has worked with Scientists, Journalists, Artists, as well as Clergy and other groups.

So this new Ministry and webpages are going to be a connection point where potential interns and companies can find each other. I hope that it can be useful to you and others and I pray that God can use this program to create a better and hopeful world.

You can find the link to "Internships" on the main BFD site at:

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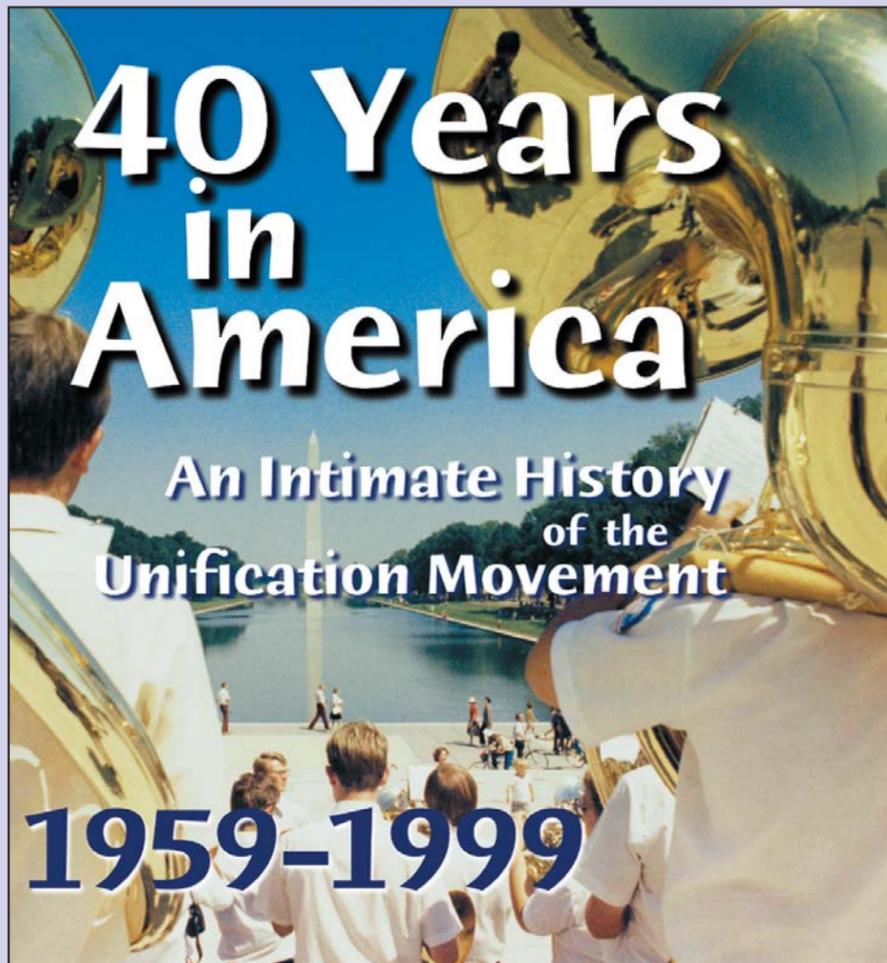
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