

America's Destiny 50-state Speaking Tour

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Victory Celebration at East Garden

by Rev. Michael Jenkins

Over 1,500 people jammed East Garden on June 9 for the largest gathering there that anyone remembers. Not only every inch of the house was overflowing with people, but the front area, as well as the hillside, was jammed with hundreds as well. Plasma flat-screen TVs were placed outside at several locations with good sound so that all could see and hear. At 4:15 am all parking in East Garden was taken; by 4:30 the traffic jam stretched from East Garden down Broadway past Belvedere. America shined. The heart of the American movement poured out in love for True Parents and True Family. Father and Mother felt it. It was a glorious day for True Parents and True Family. It was truly a joyful celebration.

We concluded the 50-state tour with this moment

in history that will never be forgotten. Throughout America True Mother, Hyun Jin Nim, Jun Sook Nim and Yeon Ah Nim touched and moved the people of America. In all 50 states. The final cities, Wilmington at lunch and Philadelphia and Bridgeport in the evening, were all beautiful events of quality and prestige.

It was truly a new era for America as you can see from the testimonies - legislators, educators, business people, veterans, women leaders from all professions, native Americans and religious leaders were moved as the tour touched the heart and the "soul" of America. What was most outstanding on this tour was the response of women - especially to the message that women will lead the world to peace as they lift up their husbands and bring unity and harmony in their family. Women will bring Hope, Harmony

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by Reverend Sun Myung Moon

Hoon Dok Hae at East Garden. Notes by Rev. Michael Jenkins, translation by Mrs. Hee Hun Standard, edited by L. Strait and J. Flynn. They are taken from simultaneous translations. 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.

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Christianity did not receive me in 1945. Christians opposed me and could not properly advise the formation of the United Nations through the United States. The Korean War began because of this. In the Korean War, Syngman Rhee symbolically represented America. However, America didn't complete its responsibility before Heaven, and so many divisions were created. At that time I knew the providence of God, and I really sought to bring about the unity of the Christian leaders. I was very popular in Korea, and I knew what was coming. But I was strongly opposed at that time. Now North and South Korea need our help. We are seeking to bring the first, second, and third Israel together as one.

People said all kinds of things in the early days in the 1950s. They accused us of immorality, brainwashing, and so forth. The same rumors circulated about Jesus and led to his death.

The most important thing of all is to protect your purity. You must

have absolute love. God is an absolute being, but God couldn't relate absolutely with fallen humanity. God's situation was more miserable than anyone's ever. How can we transfer the lineage from Satan's side to God's side? Religious people had to be especially devoted to God to receive His lineage. Western people, do you know God and the spirit world? God cannot really show you because everyone inherited the fallen archangel's blood lineage. So you could not really understand God and the spirit world. It doesn't matter what religious background you are coming from as a fallen human being. Can you truly know God without being engrafted into His lineage? You must understand how precious the Divine Principle and God's lineage are.

We must really bring the Old Testament and the New Testament together through the Divine Principle. I tried to bring all the Christian leaders together as one. Many Christians really resisted and said that I was brainwashing people. In Korea and here in America young people left their homes and came to me. I was aware of what is going on in God's providence.

You have to surrender to the vertical relationship. You can't just treat me as the same as you just because we eat the same food and look alike. Internally I am

America and the

different because I walked the path to restore God's providence through overcoming each and every trial and condition that was placed before the central figures of history. I overcame and was victorious in each and every trial. Now you must walk this way to truly be one with me.

How many Japanese are here? (More than half.) White brothers and sisters must make the right conditions to stand with True Parents. I had to make so many conditions with God. How many of you desperately prayed, "God, I have so much sin. How can I shed this sin?" Americans have a tendency to be proud. However, with the family breakdown and other problems in this country, can America truly be proud before God?

Japan represents the Mother and Eve. To save Japan I blessed 6,500 Koreans with Japanese and received so much persecution as a result. Have you ever been to the place of death? 120 clergy went to spread my message to the world. This was important. Then it increased to 1,200. We must unite them as one, as one nation.

I have no sympathy for Satan or evil and will ruthlessly obey God even if the people murmur and complain, even if America opposes me and Pacific Rim nations oppose me. I was the one who worked to save everyone without excep-

tion. Even if I were to die I gave everything to save humanity. You can't just do things like you want to. Are you doing things just because you want to? Can you represent me before God and humanity? Therefore we must completely change.

I am following the Principle and the will of Heaven. Everything that I have done was done only for America. Everything I did was to help America in God's providence. Many of you are self-centered. You cannot just enjoy your life; you cannot just do as you please. You must follow the will of Heaven.

Jesus was persecuted, Moses was persecuted, Confucius and Buddha were persecuted. I know their teachings well. I risked my life at Pyeong Yang. I gave the best 34 years of my life to America. If you don't really follow what I teach you, then Communism will rise again and America will be destroyed. How about black people in America? Do you think that communists, who deny God's existence, will spare you? They will destroy all who support God.

People all over the world are working with me, many of them quietly. I am working to bring about the unity of all the faiths. The entire spirit world is very happy. There are a lot of things to do now. God's side cannot take revenge on the enemy. We must embrace and restore the enemy.

J U L Y 2 0 0 7

Ahn Shi Il • 1st, 9th, 17th, 25th

- 1 Young Jin Nim's Birthday (5/17/78)
Chil Il Jeol: Declaration of God's Eternal Blessing (1991)
Day of the Celebration of Victory (1973)
2075 Couples' Blessing (1982)
- 3 Interreligious & International Blessing & Rededication (2002)
- 12 Shin Kwang Nim's Birthday (5/28/01)
- 13 International Blessing of 400 Million Couples, 4th Phase (2003)
Universal Ballet Company Established (1984)
- 17 Bering Strait Resolution for Peace (2005)
- 18 Sung Jin Nim & Dong Sook Nim's Blessing (1973)
- 22 National Parents' Day (1994)
- 24 Shin Ha Nim's Birthday (6/11/98)
124 Couples' Blessing (1963)
- 26 5th Phase of the 400 Million Couple Blessing (2004)
Youth Federation for World Peace Inauguration (1994)
- 27 Kook Jin Nim's Birthday (6/14/70)
Hye Jin Nim's Birthday (1964)
- 28 Sun Jin Nim's Birthday (6/15/76)

A U G U S T 2 0 0 7

Ahn Shi Il • 2nd, 10th, 18th, 26th

- 1 Hee Jin Nim's Ascension (1969)
6th Phase of the Blessing of 400 Million Couples (2005)
Day of Returning to the Home Country (1993)
- 4 Hye Jin Nim's Ascension (1964)
- 7 Unification Theological Institute (1971)
- 16 Il Sung II: Total Victory Day (1985)
- 17 Declaration Day Jeon-ban & Jeon-neung (1999)
- 19 Chil Pal Jeol: Declaration of the Realm of the Cosmic Sabbath for Parents of Heaven and Earth (7/7/97)
- 20 Declaration of the Providential Age of Salvation by Love (1989)
Blessing for Registration in Cheon Il Guk for the Revolution

C A L E N D A R

of True Heart and for True Liberation and Complete Freedom (2004)

- 24 Father's Release from Danbury (1985)
Shin Goon Nim's Birthday (7/12/83)
Shin Kwon Nim's Birthday (7/12/89)
- 25 30,000 Couples' Blessing (1992)
360,000 Couples' Blessing (1995)
- 28 Federation for World Peace (1991)
- 30 In Jin Nim's Birthday (7/18/65)
- 31 Pal Jong Shik: Day of the Settlement of 8 Stages (1989)

S E P T E M B E R 2 0 0 7

Ahn Shi Il • 3rd, 11th, 19th, 27th

- 1 Cheon Bu Ju Hwi: Declaration Day of Heavenly Parentism (1989)
- 6 Hyung Jin Nim & Yeon Ah Nim's Blessing (1997)
- 8 Sa Sa Jeol Declaration (1998)
- 9 9.9 Jeol: Heaven and Earth Unification and Liberation Ceremony (1999)
- 10 Shin Ji Nim's Birthday (7/30/94)
3.10 Jeol (1999)
- 12 Shin Joong Nim's Birthday (8/2/93)
Universal Peace Federation Inauguration (2005)
- 14 Interreligious and International Blessing and Rededication Ceremony (2002)
- 15 Hye Shin Nim's Ascension (1971)
- 16 Hyung Jin Nim's Birthday (8/6/79)
- 18 Foundation Day (1976)
Ultimas Noticias Established (1981)
- 25 Soon Ju Nim's Birthday (8/15/72)
Chusok - Korean Thanksgiving (8/15)
- 26 Kook Jin Nim & Ji Hye Nim's Blessing (2004)
- 27 Day of Dispensational Transition Point Toward Unification (1988)

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FOUNDER'S DISCOURSE ON UNIFICATIONISM

Future of the Providence

When I need to go somewhere, I go. When I needed to meet Gorbachev or Kim Il Sung, God opened the way and I went there.

Does America have a center? I want to educate all the leaders of America. When you are convicted of a felony, you can be expelled from America. But many good Americans knew that I was good for America and worked to allow me to stay here. If I ask for all Americans to gather here at East Garden, they should be willing to stay here for one week and sleep here. Would Americans respond to that? I left America and returned after one year and 13 days. Why did I come back? To make the final effort to restore and clean up America and then say good-bye, even to my followers. I came to move America in the right direction. I never asked America for anything. We should build a world in which we no longer need visas. I have no other wish than restoring America.

You should love God more than you love me. You should love Jesus as well. Do you know that I blessed Jesus in marriage? Consider the marriages I did between the saints and the key Korean women. You must pray about them. What is the marriage blessing for? It is connected to the Family Pledge. If you do not know the Kajong Mengse, you shouldn't come here. If you are truly God's children, you can inherit the Family Pledge. That is how we should live.

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When you listen to the words of Hoon Dok Hae you realize that your family is not enough before these words. The center of the family should be God; the father and the husband should be next, and then the mother and wife. Everything should be done centering on God. What does the Fall mean? It means the total disconnect between God and human beings.

We should be centering on God. We have established this principle properly to fulfill God's will. If you believe and practice this principle properly, you will be elevated to the highest position. Satan's way is opposite; everything in Satan's world is false. That is why I am working to educate people.

In Jesus' time there was no mention of the Completed Testament Age. Jesus couldn't find a bride. Women should not use men for their own benefit. There must be balance, harmony, and mutual benefit in the family. God wanted to establish the model ideal family with Adam and Eve. They should have become True Parents and have been totally one with the spiritual True Parents, which is God. Even Jesus could not teach about this, nor could Buddha do this or any of the saints. Jesus could not establish such a family. Then how precious is the teaching at this time from the True Parents! Jesus died on the cross on this path. How precious are the True Parents, who could pick up the way of God and fulfill the ideal of the true family! God searched for the True Adam. Cain killed Abel because of the Fall, and there could not be three generations centering on God.

You must have mind and body unity. I am trying to establish the proper way to heaven. If you go the right way you will realize the Kingdom of Heaven. America must be established on that center. If you

don't live correctly, all positions and possessions will be dissolved or blown away.

If you are living a blind life, you will not know about true love, true life and true lineage. How can you have free sex? This is just like animals. Western and now all women in general don't want to stay married and instead get divorced. This is not correct. Sometimes there is incest in the family. What kind of life is this? Satan wants to imprison God in this way. The way we can liberate God is through mind and body unity. As I was investing in America for 34 years then I had all kinds of experiences and realized so many things. What if I leave America? What if I go to England and liberate that country?

I am the True Parent. I gave everything for America - I established more Holy Grounds here than in any nation in the world. I brought you out of the darkness. I transformed young people who were hippies into outstanding citizens. So much chaos was going on. I just go forward humbly. Even my children had to go to spirit world before me to prepare the way.

Now the United Nations and the United States have been separated from each other. Many nations dislike America now. If the U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations seeks only the benefit of America, then no one would like or support such a person.

Now all the nations of the world do not like America. America doesn't like me so much, either, but still I give to this nation.

We should welcome what is right. Now we are living in the age of attendance. This is a different time from the Old Testament and New Testament ages. If you are not attending God, you will not go to the Kingdom of Heaven. When you die, you will find out if I am right or not.

So for several decades I have been walking this way. Jesus could mobilize 120 disciples, but I have mobilized millions now. We must have tears in our hearts about my course. Mother is truly beautiful, but what good is it to have such beauty if there is no husband or children? I am telling you this for your own sake. You must have a pure mind connected to God's heart. Men have seeds and women are like a field in which the seed can grow. This is the purpose of man and woman to share the seed and create God's family. You young people shouldn't misuse love.

Anyone who is attached to his or her possessions will be trapped in the spirit world. Clinging to your possessions will bring you trouble. God is the owner of all material things. No matter how wealthy some people are, they cannot maintain that wealth for seven generations.

How old is America? It is not even 240 years old. America will not keep its prosperity unless it sacrifices for the benefit of the world. When I look at America, I feel that the sun is going down on it. America is not going in the right direction; we as people of faith are responsible to change it. You cannot exchange the value of God and True Parents for anything. I was treated the terribly in America. Was it good

that America persecuted me or not? Here in America, I was persecuted for 34 years. I was not someone who was going after women; I was doing well for the benefit of America. There was only one newspaper in Washington, and things were very unbalanced. I founded the Washington Times and now we have UPI. We have them to fulfill God's purpose.

will have to turn to another country.

There is a record, especially in the spirit world, about everything that was done. All victims' possessions should be recovered and returned to the families of those who lost. Even the intelligence communities must receive our education. They are supporting us now. Adam and Eve were supposed to be perfected. Because of the fall they lost the lineage. My whole life was to restore the lineage of heaven. However, you don't really understand my life.

Even when I am about to have a meal, if I receive a direction, then I have to completely deny everything else and follow that direction. We have the armament of truth. The Divine Principle is our armament. You must be able to win over anything and any challenge or nation. I can see everything around me - you would be surprised. Don't you think that God would like to have a very good and capable son? I am not that bad as a son. (Everyone cheered for Father.)

However, I want you to forsake everything to win America. Sometimes I feel like just going home, but I cannot abandon you. I love America because America was chosen and raised by God.

I love Jesus so much. If you read my early speeches, you will know profoundly how close I am to Jesus. However, at that

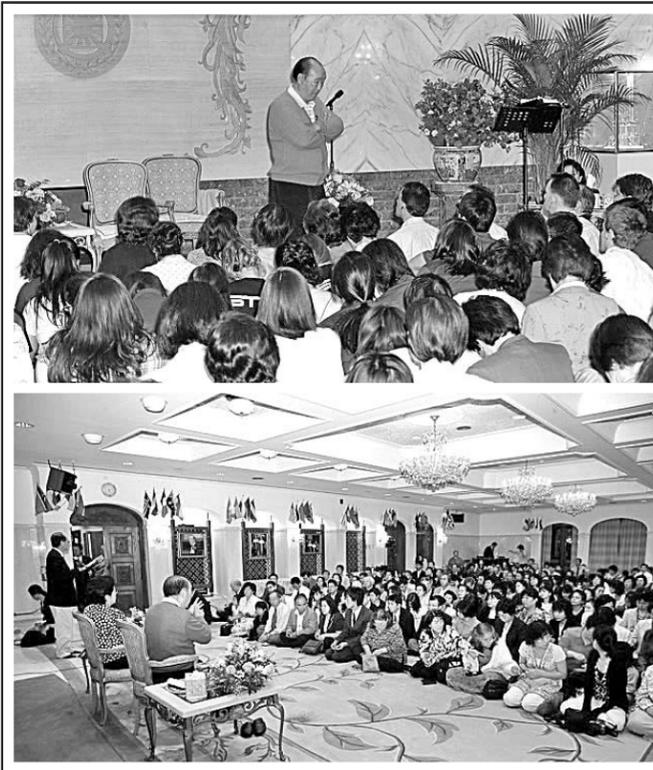
time, because we didn't have enough foundation in Korea, I couldn't change the situation there and the Christians opposed me.

Amazing meaning exists in Korean words. Moon, Sun Myung has so much meaning. It has a combination of fish and land. Myung is a combination of moon and day. We should be able to overcome night and day on all levels. The name alone means that I can become the emissary with full authority from Heaven. Am I qualified to do the work or not? Do you really love me? (Yes.)

(Father took his sock off and showed how flexible he is.) When I speak, I spit - you in the front row might get hit many times !! But you don't run away !! (laughter) Right away in the car I start to snore but even then I give directions to the right and to the left. Without knowing what I am doing, the right direction comes out.

I just give money freely to our members. Many times I just give all that I have; I don't hesitate. Sometimes I give a hundred dollars to members, but inside they are thinking, "Oh, I wish it could be a few more!" (Laughter). Yesterday Mother was buying clothes for members and there was a discount -- they got 35 % off. I thought, maybe we can go out and sell these clothes and make 15% and still have a 20% discount. (Everyone is laughing.)

Look at my hands - they are still in good shape. The doctor can't find my veins because I am so healthy. The only reason I go to the doctor is to please Mother. Doctors see that I have such good reflexes. I really see that I can make it past 100! ❖



This time Mother worked very hard on the 50-state tour. Please recognize this. Though America persecuted me, there were still good Americans that followed me all the way. I wanted to share good things with them. I bought second-hand suits and gave everything new for others. For some people, it was the first time in their lives that they had a new suit. I gave out everything that I had. One humble brother from another country received the most things from me. He left a poor country to come to America.

Those whom you love the most may be taken away from you. You must protect them and also never be self-centered. I have to bring those who are really persecuted and worked hard for the providence with me to the Kingdom. From among you, who should I take with me to the Kingdom of Heaven? Even if you persecute me and you receive so much suffering, you don't have to worry about where to go. You will go the right direction if you suffer a lot. I can claim the one who is loved by Satan the most. One of them could be America. The Israelites believed that they were the best and most loved by God. Jacob defeated the angel at the river Jabbok. The angel appeared to him to eliminate him. Jacob had to overcome the angel. I went through this type of trial. I had to overcome spiritual trials over and over and over. There are myriads of evil beings that all fear me.

I really love the technology of America. We have some second generation working in the highest positions in the technological field. I want to guide them and lead the nations that invaded Korea. Those people who really know me recognize my position. If America doesn't fulfill, then I

AMERICA'S DESTINY: ONE FAMILY UNDER GOD

May 21, 2007 - New York City

by Rev. Michael Jenkins

Father's first words this morning were, "Now America can lead the world." The New York event was wonderful. Father was extremely warm and loving this morning. He said, "I created a leadership structure in America that even when I am not here America will go the right way!"

A big highlight of the New York event was when over 120 women leaders of the Welcome Committee stood up at their seats before True Mother, Dr. Hyun Jin Moon and all the audience to show their support for True Mother's work to build ideal families of true love and realize a world of peace. They not only came but they brought their organizations and received the Certificate of Appreciation from UPF, USA.

Mrs. Alexa Ward, WFWP; Mrs. Walsh, women leadership of Ambassadors for Peace; and Mrs. Jenkins, ACLC Women in Ministry as the coordinators of the Welcome Committee joined together with Ms. Connie Teresena, Ambassador for Peace and Counselor of the Permanent Mission of Guatemala to the UN; Ms. Shelly Grodner, WFWP; and Rev. Nolan representing ACLC Women in Ministry. The strength and spirit of the women in support of True Mother and True Family were quite uplifting and significant. They truly showed understanding of True Parents' Pacific Rim Era message - that this is the era of peace centering on women leading the way.

Bishop Herbert Skeet of the United Methodist Church brought the invocation. Bishop Skeet has served as the Presiding Bishop of both the Boston and Philadelphia Districts of the United Methodist church. In Philadelphia he oversaw 600 Methodist churches. His prayer was beautiful.

The program was very beautiful as an overflow audience crowded the Grand Ballroom of the Manhattan Center. Truly New York had done well to bring so many guests. Ambassadors for Peace, ACLC Women in Ministry - so many groups came together. Bishop Riley, Chairman of ACLC, brought a large group from his "Freedom Hall" church. Bishop Riley said, "I am so excited about the way God is blessing this movement. I feel love from Father and Mother Moon and the confidence that we are really changing America."

The former ambassador to Korea from Sudan, Ambassador Babikar Khalifa, participated along with Rev. Kenard Davis and other clergy, including Native American leaders. They made a special prayer and burning ceremony to set the condition for God's forgiveness for all mistakes and to make a new beginning for the world. Rev. Davis also brought over 50 leaders from his church community. Rev. Nolan brought over 100 women leaders who experienced Mother Moon's love and heart for the first time.

We are definitely on a different level

True Mother



now. The Ambassadors for Peace and clergy are multiplying in number. They are bringing the people forward, and the message of peace is spreading to every community of America.

Rev. Dr. Walter Fauntroy, civil rights leader and U.S. Congressman from 1971-1991, testified. "When I was a freshman Congressman, Father Moon came to see me. He moved me deeply then with his vision that all God's people would come together and make families of peace and love. Now I see this vast movement for peace and unity of



faith and I do believe that the 'Dream' of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. is being realized. I totally support Father and Mother Moon because they are leading the way for the family and peace in the world. They are fulfilling the 'Dream' with all of God's children and helping America to go the way it must to be right with God."

Dr. Hyun Jin Moon strongly proclaimed that America is now returning to its founding spirit as one nation under God and will lead the way to building One Family Under God. He said that 9/11 could not deter the spirit of New York and those who attacked America underestimated the resolve and resilient spirit of New Yorkers and Americans at large. When Hyun Jin Nim introduced his Mother, it was a very deeply moving moment. His sincerity and warmth were overwhelming. He testified that his mother, with 14 children, has the incredible love to bring all the children together and as she has united with Father Moon, she has become a truly great leader and True Mother for all the world.

Mother's presence was profoundly beautiful and totally at peace. The audience followed her message very closely and they could not contain the applause

as Mother said, "Victory came because God had chosen and raised the United States of America as the second Israel, in accordance with the plan for His providence, and had raised and trained the American people through Christianity..... The responsibility, within God's providence, to bring harmony and oneness among the world's 6.5 billion people and to expedite the creation of a peaceful, ideal world, is on America's shoulders. These are not simply the words of Rev.

Moon. This is Heaven's decree...."

After the address to pastors who were among the 120 religious leaders that went to 120 nations, Rev. Joseph Nagi and Rev. Gilda Price presented the flowers for True Mother and Dr. Hyun Jin Moon.

86 Ambassadors for Peace received their appointments and they all came onto the stage together. What a moment! Representative ACLC Pastors received Family Church of Peace flags, and then over 100 churches accepted this "flag" and pledged to make their church a "Family Church of Peace," which means they will unify the body of Christ, embrace all faiths in the community and bless the families ending divorce.

Thanks to Rev. and Mrs. Bruce Grodner and all of New York for a most beautiful program.

Thanks for Mrs. Ward, Mrs. Walsh, Mrs. Jenkins and all the local coordinating committee of the Welcome Committee - they are women of destiny. They bring Hope, Harmony and Healing.

May 22, 2007 - New Jersey

It was a beautiful spring day in New Jersey. A perfect moment to welcome the fresh breeze that True Mother and members of the True Family brought to New Jerusalem. We began with a reception for all our friends and guests, among them Minister Lawrence Mohammed of Newark's Mosque 25, and Dr. E. T. Byrd of Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church in Newark. People came from the Oranges as well, like Rev. Steve Webb, leader of the Oranges Ministers Alliance.

At 6:30 we all moved to the Grand Ballroom for the prelude and main program. The prelude was a presentation of peace for the inner cities.

As the program began, we were entertained by the beautiful voices of the New Jerusalem Choir, led by Mrs. Noriko Sprague. After a stirring invocation by Rev. Dr. Leonard Smalls of East Orange, Rev. Jenkins helped us prepare the way for Dr. Hyun Jin Moon and True Mother by guiding us through the

Burning and Holy Wine ceremonies. Then Rev. Dr. Walter Fauntroy took us further down the road to prepare our hearts for the True Family. He speaks of how he met Father in the early 1970s and that he sees the fruit of Father's efforts today as a True Peacemaker.

One of the great highlights of this event is Dr. Hyun Jin Moon's introduction of his mother. His love and dedication to the cause of world peace are felt powerfully in his talk.

We also felt the deep love of True Mother for her family and all God's children.

True Mother was radiant in a beautiful bright red suit. Her smile and deep understanding of the speech content lead us all into the presence of the almighty. New Jerusalem is truly blessed by her presence and heart of concern for all. As Hyun Jin Nim says, she is a true leader in her own right. Rev. Michael Sykes of United Missionary Baptist church summarized True Mother's speech and encouraged us all to unite and live as "One Family Under God, Aju!"

The Peace Declaration was signed by 3 women while more than 120 women present were recognized as members of the Host Committee to welcome True Mother to New Jerusalem. In addition, over 50 Ambassador for Peace appointments were presented.

May 23, 2007 - Boston, MA

As requested by our National Headquarters, the May 23rd event in Boston was guided by a Host Committee, comprised of a core group of ACLC clergy and local Unification leaders.

It was beautiful to walk into the America Ballroom at the Westin Copley Place Hotel and see so many tables reserved in the name of organizations that were bringing large groups of guests. The Muslim community had numerous reserved tables, as well as ACLC churches and women's organizations.

The famous Church on the Hill, a Swedenborgian church, had two tables. (The minister was visited by Dr. Young Oon Kim many years ago and has known our movement for decades. However, it wasn't until Hyun Jin Nim spoke at the Faith Christian Church in January, as part of the 12-city tour that he came for a public event. He was so taken by his experience that evening that he felt confident this is a movement of God. The recent Swedenborgian magazine ran four articles related with our movement - one about Dr. Young Oon Kim, one about Rev. Andrew Wilson, another about Catherine Ono, and one about the recent speaking tour.) Rev. Ellis brought his wife and 20 members of



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his congregation to the Boston event.

After Heather Thalheimer, WFWP Chairwoman for the district, led a beautiful prelude, Mrs. Brenda Ellis gave the opening prayer. The burning ceremony was led by the wife of a bishop and former New Hampshire State Representative Marjorie Buessing. A prayer for forgiveness was offered to atone for our past mistakes.

Rev. James Bradshaw of the Church of God in Saints in Christ came forward with his wife to receive the holy wine as the representative couple. All the audience of Muslims, Christians, Jews and other faith traditions joined in. The Bradshaws celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in May; what a beautiful occasion to be the represen-

ily under God.

"The Ambassadors for Peace under the umbrella of Universal Peace Federation have a very unique and important task of helping our nations become one family under God. This is what the founders of UPF, the True Parents have always stood for. This is the message that God has given them and that they have been giving it to us.

"The founders of the Universal Peace Federation have the message. Now they will spread this message to all 50 states. They have started the crusade, but they cannot finish it by themselves. They need Ambassadors for Peace to participate in this crusade. Rev Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon have chosen us, the Ambassadors for Peace,

to help in leading this crusade of one family under God."

Hyun Jin's introduction of his mother as the keynote speaker was a powerful demonstration of God's providential work, now through three generations of parents, children and grandchildren. He testified to the leadership that his mother

has offered to all nations, as an outstanding leader in her own right. It is moving to see him take on the mantle of his True Parents with warmth and love. Hearts in the audience were touched when he said, "I'm about to introduce to you a woman who is truly a great leader of the world. I know her very well because she is my mother." When he welcomes True Mother to the stage, the public recognizes that three generations are substantially united to do the will of heaven.

Mother's address was delivered with authority and dignity. The audience closely followed the speech text and repeatedly interrupted the address with applause. Truly we can see how she has risen to the occasion of these tours, even though she walked a path of tears. Unspoken suffering has been endured by True Mother as she went to every country, even risking her life in countries experiencing civil unrest. Still she would go, country after country. For over 340 days in 2006 she was on the road. It is an incredible sacrifice, having no normal schedule. But still she goes tour after tour.

True Mother's message brings a profound understanding of Jesus because

it identifies that the deepest suffering of God in history was caused by Jesus' rejection and crucifixion. History has not known God's deep suffering at that moment. Then True Mother proclaimed that in 2003 she and True Father initiated the effort to comfort God's heart by having Jesus crown as King of Kings, with support from Judaism, Christianity and Islam.

At the conclusion of Mother's address, she was presented a large framed photograph of Sojourner Truth. Sojourner Truth was a true and righteous woman leader in American history. She was born in 1797, she became a freed slave and was the first African American woman to speak against slavery and to advocate for women's rights. Her passion for God's truth and freedom drove her on speaking tours throughout the northeast. She met with President Lincoln in 1864 and joined the war effort for the union forces.

May 24, 2007 - Washington, DC

Thinking back to the end of April, there was a definite excitement in the air as we heard the news of the UPF founders' vision for bringing the Peace Message to all fifty states and the District of Columbia in the course of a three week time. We called together a local organizing group of Ambassadors for Peace made up of clergy and community leaders from many faith backgrounds. Each of them felt this was a timely message for bringing Hope, Harmony and Healing to our community. So this theme grew into a Memorial Day celebration of unity with a purpose. Each time we met, new ideas and strong hope emerged.

At the prompting of several key national women leaders from some of the UPF-affiliated organizations, we called together a Welcome Committee that grew to over 120 who felt called as "Women of Destiny". They also met, planned and encouraged each other. As the RSVPs were coming in everyone was full of anticipation and some worry about how to care for all the participants. We knew we had to leave it in God's hands.

The evening event began with this newly formed welcome committee gathering for a "Declaration of Peace" sign-

ing. They were guided by Ms. Gail Paine, UPF-USA, Ms. Susan Fefferman, WFWP, Ms. Reiko Jenkins, and ACLC Women in Ministry, supported by other local sisters in faith. At the reception for key women leaders and dignitaries, they each affirmed their support for Mother Moon's teaching through the peace messages. Again, as in the other cities, the outpouring and multiplication of Ambassadors for Peace is occurring like never before. One of the most prominent Hindu leaders in America, Min. Amar Nath Gupta brought 40 prominent leaders of the local Hindu community.

Mrs. Caroline Betancourt, Vice President, WFWP-USA was the mistress of ceremonies. During the dinner program she brought the meaning of the occasion into focus, saying, "We are all sisters and brothers of peace." Then she called forward the Maryland Chapter of the Korean War Veterans Association for the Presentation of Colors. These elder veterans of war are involved with Father Moon's UN Peace Forces Korean War Memorial Federation. It was very symbolic to see them perform with such honor, as God has always intended these USA flag colors to be



tative couple for New England for this special blessing.

The House of Representatives for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts passed a resolution recognizing May 23, 2007, as World Peace Tour Day. The resolution honored the work of the Universal Peace Federation for its strong support of peace and family through its World Peace Tour, which includes events in all of the 50 states, including Boston. It recognized that the family is also the foundation for a peaceful society and nation. A welcome message was also sent from the Massachusetts Family Institute that extended appreciation to the ACLC for its work in the battle for marriage and families in Massachusetts.

Special to the event was the address given by the Hon. Frederick Sumaye, Prime Minister of Tanzania from 1995 to 2005: "Father Moon teaches that the family is the basic unit. This basic unit must be straight and clean. We can only be a God-loving people if we have love and peace in our families. This basic unit is very essential and critical for larger units to fulfill God's purpose. If all families achieved God's purpose, then the whole world would be one fam-



the colors of freedom, family and faith. The patriotic spirit of those who give their lives for their God and country can never be underestimated or denied. Freedom, faith and family are what they lived and died for.

A new Ambassador for Peace, Ms. Elizabeth Ammermans, sang an original composition, Song of Peace, as she was surrounded by children. This was followed by an interfaith ceremony in which Muslims, Christians, Hindus and a Buddhist leader joined in asking God's forgiveness for mistakes. Min. Khadir Muhammad of the Nation of Islam offered a beautiful prayer seeking God's blessing and grace upon all assembled. A prominent Muslim leader



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True Father and True Mother catch 40-inch and 32-inch striped bass. June 8, 2007, Hudson River, NY



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joined with his wife as the representative couple for the marriage blessing. Archbishop and Mrs. Stallings gave the prayer of blessing.

As in other events, we are seeing the multiplication of support through the Ambassadors for Peace and clergy. It should be noted that Archbishop Stallings' church, the Imani Temple on Capitol Hill, was well represented as its key leaders came out in support of this tour for hope, harmony and healing. It was beautiful to see the different churches in support of pastors who have worked with Father Moon for many years. Many times the churches didn't have a chance to participate in events that their pastors were becoming so inspired by, but now times have changed. The communities are beginning to understand how the work of Father and Mother Moon strengthens the family and church, and that the purpose of working with churches is to unify religious leaders so they can shine a light on a path for civic leaders to follow.

Again, the diplomatic corps, prominent Ambassadors for Peace and clergy were there to welcome Mother Moon. Many were deeply stirred by the message. One former elected official from the District of Columbia wrote, "I think the speech was the exact blueprint of how to start peace and productivity throughout our Washington, DC neighborhoods because they are so consumed with many kinds of blight, senselessness and hopelessness. This is the model to really start putting the philosophy of Rev. and Mrs. Moon to practice. We can instill hope into our communities and abroad. I would like to spearhead such a tremendous initiative."

May 25, 2007 - Miami, FL

by Rev. Tom Cutts

Over one hundred twenty Women of Destiny, including Ambassadors for Peace, Women in Ministry and members of the Women's Federation for World Peace brought together nearly a thousand participants to the program at the Miami Airport Hilton. Participants included three state representatives and two state senators, several university professors and a host of pastors and religious leaders.

Mother Moon's speech was warmly received. One retired defense attorney for Palm Beach County said that Mrs. Moon's peace message brought tears to his eyes, "Mother Moon, you bring a spirit of hope to a hopeless world. You changed my life as you expressed love for all people of the world."

The evening began at 5:00 p.m. with two separate receptions, one for Ambassadors for Peace and one for members of the Women's Federation for World Peace.

Over one hundred Ambassadors for Peace, including forty receiving appointments that evening gathered to learn more about the principles behind the Ambassadors for Peace program and to discuss what is being done locally. There were a dozen college-age Ambassadors for Peace at the reception and they were an inspiration to all the older people. Mr. Gunter Freystaetter, Florida director of the American Family Coalition, and Dr. Michael Lenaghan, distinguished professor at Miami-Dade

College and president of the Florida Ambassadors for Peace Forum, hosted the meeting. Speakers at the reception included the husband and wife team of Representative Edward Bullard and Senator Larcenia Bullard.



In another ballroom, nearly eighty members of the Women's Federation for World Peace enjoyed a warm fellowship hosted by the Florida president of the WFWP, Mrs. Barbara Masuyama, and Mrs. Theresa Carmenatti, a local community activist. They discussed how they could support Mother Moon and actualize her peace message.

While the two receptions were coming to an end, other guests filed into the Grand Ballroom, and at 6:30 p.m. the Rev. Gary Chidester, senior state director of Florida, began the program by reading several messages from heaven. Then he introduced Mrs. Ana Cobiella-Olson, who spoke about the Religious Youth Service, a project founded by Rev. and Mrs. Moon. Mrs. Olson is on the international advisory board of RYS and is the educational director of the Interreligious Peace Sports Festival. She noted that Rev. and Mrs. Moon not only talk about peace but put their sincere effort and resources behind enumerable projects around the world.

Rev. Marion Wadhams, the pastor of the Unity Church of Pompano Beach, shared about the significance of Rev. Moon's peace messages and her own participation in war-torn Lebanon during the fourth World Peace Tour.

Sen. Larcenia J. Bullard congratulated Mother Moon for the current 50-state speaking tour. "I can't give enough credit to Reverend and Mrs. Moon. People usually don't appreciate the value of prayer, and calling on God's power. Mrs. Moon's message is so powerful because it has the power of God, and endless hours of prayer behind it," affirmed Senator Bullard.

Apostle Mosby Nelson from Miami offered the prayer of invocation, asking Heavenly Father to be present with the gathering that night. Apostle Nelson is the Florida chairman of the American Clergy Leadership Conference. Dr. Mary Woolridge sang a beautiful gospel song after the invocation. She is the retired principal of an award-winning elementary school in Orlando.

May 26, 2007 - Dallas, TX

by Rev. Mark Hernandez, Rev. Kille and Laura Hornbeck

On Saturday afternoon of the Memorial Day weekend, hundreds of people streamed into the Westin Hotel - Dallas-Fort Worth Airport, filling the Trinity Ballroom to attend the "America's Destiny" Tour.

People came by bus and van from cities 4-6 hours away. Others flew into the nearby airport. Ministers and imams brought members of their congregations and mosques; Ambassadors for Peace came with friends and family; women of all faiths and ethnicities showed their support for Mother Moon by joining the "Women of Destiny" Welcome Committee.

The Prelude was masterfully emceed by Mrs. Najma Ghouse, a local Muslim leader and trained nurse who provides free weekly health fairs and examinations for area women and children. She wore a beautiful sari from her native India and introduced the diverse entertainment provided by brightly costumed Filipino dancers, a knock-out gospel soloist, and a Nigerian choir singing in their native tongue. Rev. Hernandez followed the beautiful Native American drum song "Going Home" performed by Bear Claw, an intertribal drum troupe, with the reading of messages from Heaven. It was such a perfect prequel to the spirit world messages.

The Texas governor sent a proclamation welcoming Dr. Moon to Texas and the mayors of Irving and Plano, two of the largest area suburbs, each declared May 26 as "One Family Under God Day." Local television talk show host and community activist, Ms. Ester Davis, an Ambassador for Peace, read the proclamation and recognized the "Women of Destiny," who numbered close to 100.

Rev. Jenkins moved the program forward with great finesse, guiding local dignitaries and Ambassadors for Peace to partake in the Holy Burning and Blessing Ceremonies. Dr. Chang Shik Yang gave a warm welcoming address.

A tremendously powerful rendition of God's Amazing Grace was delivered by Mrs. Tiwana Phillips Evans, daughter of the Rev. C. J. R. Phillips of the St. Phillips Baptist Church. Her lovely voice and poise were enough to move many in the audience to their feet with shouts of "Hallelujah!"

Dr. Hyun Jin Moon introduced his mother as only a proud son can. The audience connected immediately to his reflections on his mother and his father. He elaborated how his parents went through many difficulties and have stayed true to the mission of restoring this world back into the lineage of God, a mission his father had received as a young farm boy in 1935.

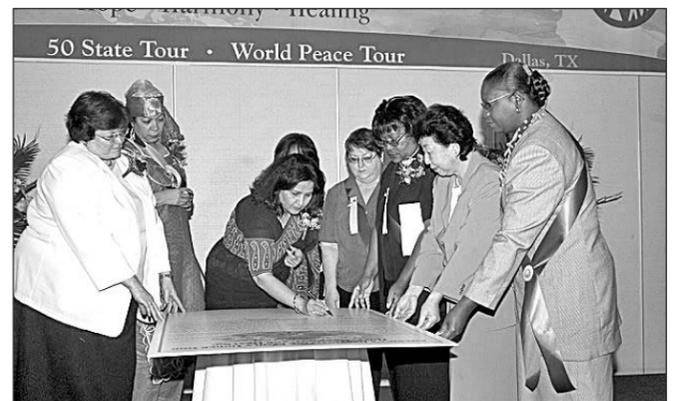
Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon came to the podium amid thunderous applause, her smile warming the audience. The Ambassadors for Peace and the Women of Destiny, all wearing purple or blue sashes, sat in the front section of the room and encouraged Dr. Moon during the speech numerous times with cheers and applause. Beautiful floral bouquets were presented to Dr. Moon and Dr. Hyun Jin Moon by local Ambassadors for Peace Imam Marzuq and

Alexis Jaami.

Rev. Linda Holliday offered congratulatory remarks to Dr. Moon and her family and urged all in attendance to rise to the challenge of going forth and truly building peace in our families, neighborhoods, and nation by living for the sake of others. The Declaration of Peace was signed by Ms Sharon Phares, local decorated Irving High School teacher and Ambassador for Peace; ACLC leader Minister Ethel Hayes, First Lady of Gloryland Baptist Church of Houston; and Mrs. Marisela Munoz, an Ambassador for Peace, co-founder of a children's Ballet Folklorico and an Irving School District family counselor.

The Rev. Dr. Bennit E. Hayes, national spokespersons for this tour, gave a clear call to action. The Honorable Bruce Woody, a former state judge of great renown, administered an oath to commission to 50 new Ambassadors for Peace.

Hoon Dok was well attended by families from throughout the vast state of Texas and from as far away as Mexico. Ten Ambassadors for Peace who had been active in our local organizing committee for the event - who attended from the start - were witnesses to True Mother's vivid tears for God, True Father and humankind as she challenged all the women to stand up with renewed determination to save Amer-



ica and thereby achieve the realization of Cheon Il Guk by 2013.

May 27, 2007 - Columbus, OH

Rev. Michael Lamson

It became clear as we developed our outreach plan and many people came together with their ideas and inspirations that this was our destiny as well: that we are already One Family Under God united around a vision of peace for all people. We were not just bringing a message of Hope, Harmony and Healing but we were living the message as we worked together to welcome Mother Moon. We felt great Hope as we were reaching out to others; we worked in Harmony even though we were from different races, cultures and religions; and we experienced Healing as we learned to respect and honor one another. God is an amazing God.

We decided to create a reunion of friends who could welcome Mother Moon so each of our members and friends invited only people they knew. This meant that there were no strangers in the event, only extended family. The strategy worked, and the event was filled with people who knew each other.

Bishop Emma White, I think, had the most friends at the event as she brought over 127 people from the Dayton area. Rev. Tony Flores with his AFC contacts reached out to appoint over

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83 new Ambassadors for Peace and played a major role in bringing together 136 women for the Welcoming Committee. It was obvious that God has been and is still very much working through women to create a culture of peace, and this was reinforced in Mother Moon's speech as she shared that this is the era of women.

The event, which started with a banquet, was held at the Renaissance Hotel in downtown Columbus. The hall was filled with guests who came to hear the peace message and to share the evening with others who are also concerned about the world and how to make peace a reality.

The preprogram was led by Dr. William Craig and opened with a prayer by Rev. Robert Jones. Providence and the Gospel Gems lifted up the spirit as only music can while, Mrs. Pendra Lee Snyder and Dr. Hazel Williams shared messages filled with hope and a call to take action to the world. Rev. Tony Flores through his sharing and video presentation "The Power of Parents to Change Lives" set the stage for the coming Parents Day celebrations.

Rev. Michael Jenkins took the lead in the main program and launched right into the Ambassadors for Peace and the five core values that are the foundation for the Ambassadors for Peace movement. Rev. Lillie North inspired many as she offered the invocation prayer and set the perfect atmosphere for the main program. Rev. and Mrs. Bishop Jordan was the representative couples on stage for the Blessing of Families as Rev. Michael Jenkins lead all those in attendance to be a part of making a new start in their families.

Dr. Chang Shik Yang in his welcome address provided many insights into the providence which we are now living and the role each of us should take as we join hands with True Parents in building the Peace Kingdom.

Entertainment in the main program was provided by Ms. who offered three songs during the event. Hearing her sing is like being embraced by heaven.

One of the biggest highlights of the evening was Dr. Hyun Jin Moon as he introduced the keynote speaker, his mom. His introduction, the things he shared about his family and the power of his mom, moved everyone in the hall. What better testimony can parents have than when their children are following in their parents' footsteps?

True Mother was just amazingly beautiful, dignified and warm as she shared the Founders Address.

After Mother Moon's speech, Dr. Chang Shik Yang, Rev. Michael Jenkins, Rev. Michael Lamson and Rev. Tony Flores presented Ambassadors for Peace certificates to 6 representatives from the 83 Ambassadors for Peace who were appointed that evening. After the Ambassadors for Peace appointments, 8 leaders for Ohio were presented Family Church Peace Flags to hang in their homes or churches.

The program moved ahead with the signing of the Declaration of Peace led by Mrs. Alexa Ward and three women

for the Welcome Committee and was closed with a song by Ms. and a prayer by Pastor Thomas Johnson.

God was able to help us offer True Parents and the True Family a victory in Ohio because members and friends were united in their desire to bring their



friends to hear the message of peace. We all shared together and the night will be one we will remember for many years to come. A BIG thank you to all those who made the event wonderful.

May 28, 2007 - Chicago, IL

by Mrs. Gloria Barber

As the Hargrove Family Choir began the prelude by singing "This is the Day the Lord Has Made!" it was apparent that True Mother's tour event in Chicago was going to be a most memorable experience! Guests of many races and faith traditions continued to fill the Chicago Hilton Grand Ballroom as Rev. Bruce Sutchar announced the beginning of the program. He congratulated every participant for taking time from their busy Memorial Day activities to gather together to celebrate "America's Destiny; Realizing One Family under God".

Rev. David Rendel, Chicago District Director, further welcomed the audience and acknowledged the common desire of all people to live in a culture of peace. He read the spirit world testimony of Abraham Lincoln, Illinois' favorite son and America's sixteenth president, which expressed Lincoln's experience of seeing a bright light surrounding Reverend Moon and his fervent desire that all people on earth awaken to the truth that the messiah brings. Reverend Rendel challenged the audience to respond to God's call to them and be the ones to lead this nation in fulfilling God's will.

When the heart and spirit generated through the prelude were at a peak, Rev. Sutchar introduced Rev. Michael Jenkins as the Master of Ceremonies, describing him

as the returning "war hero" who had successfully accomplished thirty missions of peace to the Middle East. The audience was exuberant as they welcomed Reverend Jenkins to the stage.

Reverend Jenkins shared a warm greeting to his "hometown" and assembly of beloved associates. He called his close friend, Dr. Elizabeth Pierce, to deliver the Invocation. She prayed that God would find fertile soil in the hearts and minds of all those assembled so that they would receive the message and then sow the seeds of what they had received.

The main program was launched as Reverend Jenkins invited Jewish, Muslim and Christian representatives of the three Abrahamic faiths to take part in the Holy Burning Ceremony, asking God to forgive the past enmity between them and their own past mistakes. Three representative married couples were then invited to the stage to take part in the Holy Blessing Ceremony, drinking Holy Wine together with the audience to symbolically offer their marriages and families to God, and joining in Reverend Jenkins' prayer for God's blessings to the world through these sanctified families.

May 29, 2007 - Minneapolis, MN

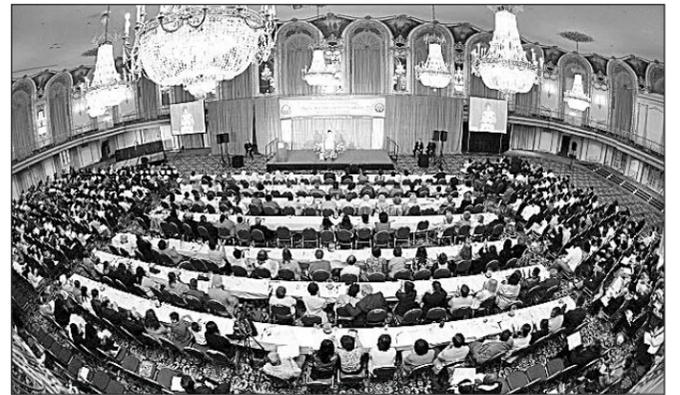
An enthusiastic audience of Minnesotans joined the Moon family Tuesday, May 29, to receive a message of "hope, harmony and healing" in Minneapolis at the Radisson University Hotel. The Golden Swans Gospel Group lifted the spirits of everyone with their inspired music.

We were blessed with a peace message from a former congressman, who praised Reverend and Mrs. Moon and their family for the work of peace they had been doing throughout their lives all over the world. He said, "When I was in Congress I noticed the work of Rev. Moon and I see he and his family continuing the great work today. I'm so glad to see the young Dr. Moon con-

tinuing the work of his parents. The Moon family is truly doing a noble work for God and all mankind."

Hyun Jin Moon spoke from the heart. He spoke of the tradition of his parents beginning with his Father's meeting with Jesus in prayer on a mountain in Korea at the age of 16. "He was anointed, appointed and approved by Jesus to establish one family under God." His speech was straightforward and gave insight into the deep relationship he has with his father and mother and how he wants to continue their great work. He continued to speak about his mother and all that she was doing to advance world peace and the fulfillment of God's will in the 50-state tour.

Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon delivered a message that was clear as a bell and profound in its depth and meaning for our age. Her voice was beautiful and very easy to listen to, melodic and strong at the same time. She was uplifting in every sense of the word and the audience responded with applause throughout her speech. After her speech she and her son were presented with flowers and gifts. Korean War veterans presented her and her son medals and commemorative baseball hats. Dr. Moon's grandson was delighted with the hats and pulled one over his face



during the picture-taking time. The Women's Welcome Committee presented a large victory trophy. All of this was followed by Ambassador for Peace awards and Family Church of Peace presentations to many of the pastors present. A group picture with all past and present Ambassadors for Peace was taken at the end of the program.



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May 30, 2007 - Seattle, WA

by L. Krishnek

When the sun is shining in Seattle, there's no better place to be, especially if you are arriving by air. Such was the welcome nature prepared for True Mother and her entourage. The snow-capped peaks that surround the Puget Sound area revealed themselves elegantly and set the tone for the day.

The tenth of True Mothers' twelve cities was Seattle. It's interesting that when True Father and Mother were on tour in September 2005, Seattle was the tenth city at that time as well.

Yeon Ah Nim had completed her tour through District 10 on the 25th of May and had prepared the way for Mother and the True Family to bring success in this final event.

Our program was held at the Hilton Seattle Airport. Prior to the main event, the Welcome Committee women gathered together under the guidance of our local women leaders. While these women prepared a warm greeting for Mother, other guests were enjoying a delightful buffet in the lobby of the Emerald Ballroom. The people gathered were themselves a buffet of sorts with every 'flavor' of the human family present.

Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, New Agers and members of other religions mixed with one another as did every race and many nationalities. The spirit was one of happy expectation.

Our preprogram MC, Bonnie Berry, set things in motion with a reading of messages from the spirit world. The hubbub of people entering the ballroom changed to order and focus after the reading.

Bosnian Imam Pavolanni gave the message of greeting. The Sun Hak Choir provided a beautiful musical introduction to the event and Mrs. Paulette Wiesinger sang a stirring solo.

Dr. Hyun Jin Moon's introduction of True Mother was very touching. To see an adult son testifying to his parents with such confidence, passion and clarity left a lasting impression for many and provided an excellent foundation for True Mother to speak.

Mother brought a spirit of warmth and feminine strength; reassuring and strong as she delivered True Father's message, bringing life and meaning to each word.



After the True Family departed, 6 new Ambassadors for Peace were commissioned on the stage; 36 in all were honored. Representative women of the Welcome Committee signed the Proclamation as Dr. Jenkins read it, and later, all women had the opportunity to add their signatures.



Seven pastors received Family Church Flags.

The crowd lingered after the main program in the atmosphere of joy that has been created this evening. Many new friendships were made and existing ones nourished in the atmosphere of true love brought by the True Family.

May 31, 2007 - San Francisco, CA

The people seemed to stream through the gates at the Hyatt Regency Airport Hotel in San Francisco tonight to hear our True Mother and Hyun Jin Nim, as the 11th event in the national "America's Destiny" speaking tour unfolded. A gathering of over a thousand packed out the Peninsula Grand Ballroom on Thursday night, anticipating the message of peace from True Mother. It was truly the inauguration of the "era of women," as our sisters representing WFWP, ACLC and Ambassadors for Peace took the lead in the planning of the event and took such a prominent role in organizing the "Women of Destiny" to welcome True

Mother to the Bay Area.

Dr. Hyun Jin Moon gave a powerful testimony to his own father's life of faith and praised the audience for its diversity, calling for "One Family under God". He testified to the importance of motherhood and marveled at his own mother's raising 13 children and 44 grandchildren. He set the stage for True Mother's grand finale.

Mother was beautiful and dignified as she read the message of peace from her heart, with great emphasis. The entire room was with her from the beginning, and responded naturally to her throughout the speech. No one got up during that time, but instead they sat riveted to her words.

Following Mother's speech, flowers were presented to Mother and Hyun Jin Nim by Dr. and Mrs. Ray Johansen from Sacramento, and then the Women's Welcome Committee chairwomen presented a beautiful painting to Mother, depicting "One Family Under God," which was chosen by the United Nations. The artist herself (a 90-year old woman from Lebanon) joined Mother on stage to honor her.

After Mother and Hyun Jin Nim departed, 70 new Ambassadors for Peace were recognized. The Declaration of Peace was signed by core members of the welcome committee and Church of Peace flags were given to eight pastors, both men and women.

Pastor Brondon Reems of Community of Hope Church in Oakland took up the offering and gave the benediction.

San Francisco is so grateful to our True Mother for bringing the Holy Spirit and the message of hope, harmony and healing. We will build on the great momentum from this evening and generate a waterfall of blessing and a heavenly earthquake of true love to shake America.

June 1, 2007 - Los Angeles, CA

Rev. Tim Henning

The City of Angels trumpeted the message of "One Family Under God: Hope, Harmony and Healing" June 1 at the overflowing Marquis Ballroom of the Airport Marriott Hotel. The event provided a kaleidoscope of speeches, music and one very special address by Dr. Hak Jan Han Moon, the True Mother of Humanity, a peace message heralding the dawn of the Pacific Rim era.

Before the event even started, an Ambassadors for Peace appointment ceremony and reception dinner were held in the pavilion area outside the convention ballrooms. Over one hundred new Ambassadors for Peace were appointed as the "Family Orchestra" serenaded the hundreds of guests dining in the area. Simultaneously in the Imperial Ballroom, a meeting of over a hundred women of the Welcome Committee to host Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, the keynote speaker, were meeting over dinner. Having honored and appointed some hundreds of dignitaries, the two groups converged in the main hall at 6:30 for the evening program.

"One Voice" a second-generation choir from San Diego, led the way with a joyful and enthusiastic rendition of the "Star-Spangled Banner". The group has been featured at the opening of sporting events recently. Next the four-part harmony of "E-chord", a Filipino choir, filled the hall. The program was well on its way through a terrific preprogram. Mr. Keith McCarthy, the MC, announced the proclamations from mayors of Temple City, South Gate, Compton and a congratulatory message from the sheriff of Los Angeles County and a note of encouragement from a bishop of an area COGIC. Short messages were delivered by a nationally known leader in the service field. Also, Rev. Dr. Cecil Murray gave a message of hope and unity, praising Reverend Moon for his ability to bring all people into to unity with the spirit of God. A touching invocation was offered by Bishop Edward Turner. Rev. T. L. Barrett's special address was astonishing. "Who she is, is Dr. Hak Jan Han Moon. What she is, is the True Mother of all Humanity. We ought to all realize this together and give her due recognition."

That our keynote speaker is the True Mother of Humanity became evident through the testimony of her son, Dr. Hyun Jin Moon. He testified to the way she has raised her family to love others and live for others beyond any barriers. His remarks awakened the enthusiasm of the crowd, a gathering as diverse as humanity itself, for the hope of realizing "One Family Under God". True Mother's reading of the peace message first proclaimed by True Father in Hawaii brought a special Holy Spirit atmosphere that's hard to describe, you just had to be there and be overwhelmed by the joy.

The Welcome Committee of local



women was recognized to thunderous applause as they stood together showing their support for Mother Moon's teaching of strong families, healthy and faithful marriages, and peace through the leadership of women of all faiths.

Five Ambassadors for Peace, already famous for local public service, were appointed by Dr. Yang, Rev. Jenkins and Mr. Keith McCarthy, the local General Secretary of the Universal Peace Federation. Five churches were awarded special framed certificates for bringing more than forty guests to the event. Seven church leaders received the Family Peace Church framed certificates. The event closed with the combined choirs singing "Peace, Shalom, Salaam Aleikum," composed by Barry Fasman and Rick Joswick. Mr. Barry Fasman was there to direct the choirs. The event was truly remarkable, as some of the guests who attended shared: ❖

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May 23, 2007 - Las Vegas, NV

The "America's Destiny" tour came to Las Vegas, Nevada on Wednesday May 23, 2007 with energy and excitement, and with a tremendous outcome and great success. With sincere effort and cooperation among Ambassadors for Peace and ACLC clergy, solid preparations were made to receive God's message for America and this time through this significant event.

Dr. Pouran Ameli, President of American Iranian Friendship Association, did a tremendous job in preparing the event, with her organization serving as co-sponsor along with UPF. She brought a huge contingent of professionals and doctors with their families. These "new Americans" fled Iran when the Shah was deposed 30 years ago. They are now citizens here who speak English well and also have a keen understanding of the world situation and potential crises that we face. Dr. Ameli not only brought this significant group of participants, but also did a wonderful job serving as our co-hostess for the program.

In addition, ACLC National board members Rev Carl Rawls and Rev Levy Daugherty came two days early to meet with our local clergy. They had a Monday night dinner meeting and a Tuesday lunch with ACLC pastors before the event on Wednesday. Through these important meetings a strong spirit and energy were created in preparation for the event. Pastors were inspired not only to attend themselves, but also to bring their members as well. For example, ICC clergy Rev Sam and Earlene Roberson brought a large contingent of members from their church.

As the program moved to the keynote address, the room was filled with an atmosphere of attendance and a diligent focus on the message of the day. Jun Sook Nim spoke with the audience in a very personal way and captured the hearts of all. She referred to her parents' work and warmly engaged the audience with True Parents' message.

The participation and support of the key ministers and Ambassadors for Peace also added greatly to the program. Both Judge Bennett and Mrs. Earlene Roberson were a great help, always with a very positive attitude and friendly spirit to support the program. Bishop John and Linda Witherspoon, who themselves participated in the 60 Clergy Couples Blessing, were on stage as the representative couple for the Blessing ceremony.

The warmth, spirit and closeness of all these key participants spoke volumes and indicated a new time period where we are together as one.

Nevada State Director Rev. Bill Starr, saying that really he wants to continue to work together.

Elder members Kyoko Yamaguchi, Perry and Mary Cordill, and Bruce Brown were instrumental in making the event and hospitality successful. Bruce Brown secured 3 beautiful proclamations: from the Mayor of the City of Las Vegas, from the Mayor of Henderson, the second city in Las Vegas Valley, and from the Governor of Nevada. The Mayor of Las Vegas made special wording to proclaim 'Path to Peace Day' and asking all people of Las Vegas to welcome the Universal Peace Federation to Las Vegas.

Mrs. Jun Sook Kwak Moon

May 24, 2007 - Albuquerque, NM

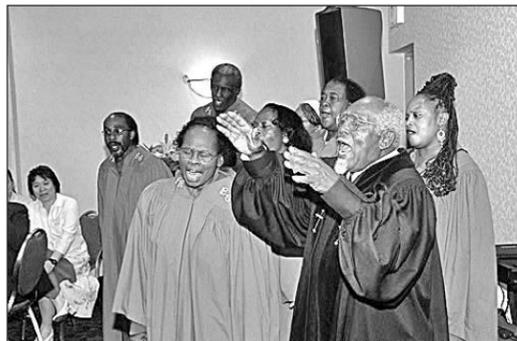
by Rev. Mark Hernandez and Rev. Ricky Schnorr



New Mexicans gathered to welcome Mrs. Jun Sook Kwak Moon at the Sheraton Uptown in Albuquerque, NM and hear the UPF message of Peace calling us to be 'One Family under God'. Clergy, elected officials, community leaders, and families were moved by a program, planned from inception, to bring the political and spiritual spheres into oneness.

NALA founding member, Eddie McCray sung a wonderful Navaho prayer, during which time women representing different races on behalf of all in attendance came together silently on stage to repent for our sins and wrongs toward one another and make a new beginning possible through the Holy Burning Ceremony. Spiritual world messages were read by Rev. Mark Hernandez, who emceed the entire program and also presented the AFP power point on the five universal principles.

New Mexico State Senator Mark Boitano presented a proclamation from New Mexico's State Senate expressing its members' kudos to the Universal Peace Federation: to Dr. Moon's message of peace; and encouraged all New Mexicans to



embrace the five core peace principles. He personally introduced Governor David Cargo, who welcomed guests noting that we must bring peace by removing the barrier of racism. As governor of NM, he was the first to make sure that minorities were given posts in his administration. He expressed deep appreciation and fondness for the clergy in attendance.

Rev. Rick Schnorr, NM's state leader, led the Blessing of Marriage with Janis his wife. That moved the program seamlessly into Dr. Allen Parkman's talk on the importance of the family from a socio-economical view. It was refreshing to hear him state that prosperity was not just material, but true prosperity was being able to go to sleep beside a wife with whom you shared a committed marriage. Dr. Parkman is the senior ranking professor at UNM's Anderson School of Manage-

ment and the nation's top researcher on the ill-effects of no-fault divorce.

The Pilgrim's Rest Baptist Church Choir sang their beautiful gospel faith to the audience. All were deeply touched. Youth from the Albuquerque family church also presented songs which warmed everyone's hearts.

The evening was highlighted by Jun Sook Nim's reading of the Peace Message. It brought grace to all those in attendance. Her delivery was masterful and her opening remarks quite touching.

A noted area minister and former President of the Albuquerque Chamber of Commerce, Rev. Jessie Dompereh closed the evening with a call to all that we be re-committed to marriage and family, emphasizing that peace learned in the family will bring peace in the community and the world.

Five new Ambassadors were appointed at the conclusion of the night's festivities and many wonderful testimonies were collected from the guests that lingered in the afterglow.

May 25, 2007 - Denver, CO

Mrs. Jun Sook Kwak Moon gave her Message of Peace on May 25th to a standing-room-only crowd at the St. Francis Interfaith Center in Denver, CO, calling upon all in attendance to create "One Family Under God".

The program, guided by our MC, Rev. Michael Hentrich, began with an invocation from Rev.

Josephine Falls of the Fishers of Men Fellowship, followed by a beautiful rendition of What a Wonderful World and Let There be Peace on Earth by soprano Leslie Soich.

David and Sherrian Muhammad served as representative couple for the Marriage Blessing ceremony. As special offering, Rev. Lorenzo Stewart and his daughter enthralled us with a spirited gospel song.

We were then treated to special remarks from Ambassador Babiker Khalifa, former Sudanese Ambassador to Korea, who emphasized the importance of Rev. Moon's work to renew the United Nations by incorporating a religious council. Rev William Ephriam, pastor of Progressive C.O.G.I.C. then shared that Rev. Moon was doing so much for peace that even if he spoke about the various projects Rev. and Mrs. Moon had initiated all night, the time would still not be enough. Next we were treated to surprise remarks from none other than Archbishop George Augustus Stallings, who had flown into town on his way to Laramie, Wyoming, for the tour event there. Archbishop Stallings emphasized the importance of the tour theme "One Nation Under God" and encouraged Denver to be the first to accomplish this task of unity.

When Jun Sook took the stage the audience became quite quiet and everyone seemed to be listening intently to her words, which she delivered with great sincerity. The speech seemed to be over all too soon and flowers and a gift were presented by the women of the Welcome Committee, who also signed the Peace Proclamation on stage together with Jun Sook Moon. Nin Bebeau then summed up the speech for us and presented Action Points for us all to consider.

To end the evening Leslie Soich led us all in the singing of America the Beautiful, which really seemed like the dream

that we all had in our hearts, to fulfill America's Destiny as One Family Under God.

May 26, 2007 - Kansas City

by Mr. Bill Dillinger and Rev. Carl Swearson

The Kansas City weather forecast was not good - it called for heavy rain. But the storm was coming from the overflow crowd at the church this night, rather than from the sky. Rev. Christine Dunn, New Testament Pentecostal Church was the host pastor for the Kansas City stop on the 50 State Tour. After she welcomed all the guests, she turned the program over to our Master of Ceremonies, Richard Karnowski. Richard quickly invited up the Praise Team from Reaping the Harvest Ministries and Apostle Leo Standley to get the spirit moving. "You're going to see some friends here tonight. And you're going to see some friends you haven't met yet. I want you to go shake their hands, and meet your new friends," he



directed from the pulpit. After a couple of praise numbers, the audience was ready to receive the spiritual messages read by District 8 Director, Rev. Carl Swearson.

The main portion of the event began with an invocation from Rev. Beverly Farrell of the Universal Awareness Center. Mr. Karnowski followed up with a Power-Point presentation of the 5 core values of the Ambassadors for Peace.

Mr. Karnowski read from Isaiah 9:5,6 which describes the "burning away" of the old tools of war and bloodshed in preparation for the coming of the "Prince of Peace." Then 3 representative couple participated in a symbolic purification ceremony. Marriage communion was shared by the entire assemblage.

Rev. Swearson proceeded to give an overview of the 7th World Tour. He brought to everyone's attention that it's not just Rev. Moon, but his entire family that is involved in bringing the Peace Message to the whole world. Father Moon has devoted himself for more than 34 years to the spiritual renewal of America.

A musical interlude was provided by Thelma West, who drew the congregation out with her a cappella rendition of "Closer to Thee" in an operatic style.

Next, Rev. Jesse Edwards came to the pulpit and tapped into the Pentecostal spirit. Everyone responded not just to his words, but his enthusiasm as he witnessed to his faith and life experiences since he began ministering with Father Moon. "They asked, 'What is a Pentecostal like you doing with Rev. Moon?'" he said. "I replied, because he believes God must be dwelling in the family. If we want all our social problems to disappear, all we need to do is obey the Word of God about

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male and female." He then introduced the keynote speaker, Mrs. Jun Sook Kwak Moon.

Speaking in a quiet but confident manner, Mrs. Moon proceeded to give the keynote address. When the air-conditioning unit was turned off because it was making too much noise, the only sound heard was that of her voice, sharing the heart of God through the message. The audience was enraptured and delved deep into the message even as the room warmed up.

As she ended her address, she was presented with flowers and a gift from the Welcome Committee of 15 women leaders from the community.

May 27, 2007 - Nebraska

The "America's Destiny, One Family Under God Tour" began with heartfelt musical selections from Omahans Mike Walker and Rachel Curtin.

Then Rev Carl Swearson, District 8's District Director gave Welcoming remarks and introduced our MC, Rev. Levy Daugherty.

Reverend Daugherty raised the spiritual atmosphere through the Holy Burning and Holy Juice ceremonies, which the audience wholeheartedly participated in, and praised the holiness of the family.

A delicious meal was served while we heard about the United Federation of Churches.

The program moved very quickly and smoothly to the appointment of two new Ambassadors for Peace in Omaha and encouragement for others to participate. After an energetic and high-spirited musical selection by the Ministers for A Change and Rev. Ollie Kendricks' Youth Choir, Rev. Jesse Edwards prepared the atmosphere for our keynote speaker, Mrs. Jun Sook Kwak Moon.

The audience, composed of Hindus, Muslims and Christians of various denominations, listened attentively. Many were moved deeply.

The program concluded with a gift presentation by the Welcome Committee and signing the Declaration of Peace.

May 28, 2007 - Des Moines, Iowa

On Memorial Day, the 8th city program in Jun Sook Nim's tour was the 3rd city in our beloved District 8, the Heartland District. The event was organized around a preprogram picnic accompanied by a string quartet, led by Joyce Payer, daughter of David and Naomi Payer. Families gathered outside the church with a celebratory feeling. The host church was the Family Church of Iowa in Des Moines. This evening, it was filled to capacity with over 100 guests and families. The musical prelude was composed mostly of 2nd Generation talent, including keyboard and an STF choir. Rev. Bob Mason, pastor of the Iowa Family Church, led the event as MC.

May 29, 2007 - Indianapolis, IN

At the 1st Christian Missionary Baptist Family Church, Jun Sook Nim received honors from the mayor of Indianapolis, the Indianapolis City Council, a congresswoman Julia Carson, and the governor of Indiana, who made her an honorary Hoosier. One Ambassador

for Peace, Burnetta, worked day and night for two weeks, even staying home from work to help us with this event. Also, Pastor Roach and Ambassador for Peace Leona Murphy invested countless hours working to prepare for Jun Sook Nim.

May 30, 2007 - St. Louis, MO

On the last Wednesday in May of 2007, in St. Louis, it did not take long until all seats at the banquet at the Millennium Hotel were taken and extra chairs brought in, which is when the planners realized the magnitude of the success of their program.

After some opening remarks by District Director, Rev. Carl Swearson, State Representative Esther Haywood of St. Louis conveyed to the audience some of the things about the keynote speaker that impressed her, "I don't know how she can do all the things she does when you add in the fact that she has eight children." Representative Haywood also presented a state resolution honoring Mrs. Moon at the conclusion of the program.

A locally famous troupe of young gospel singers, known by their first names, "CeCe, Tavey and Cuddles," got the guests into the spirit with some of the songs they had been performing for nearly 10 years. Rev. Dr. R.M. Franklin, an Ambassador for Peace, gave a heartfelt invocation before the banquet.



Rev. Jessie and Tanya Edwards with Bishop Frank and Melva Harrold came forward to participate as representative couples for the blessing communion and the Holy Burning ceremony.

Ten Church Family Flags were presented to local pastors. Those awarded on stage included Bishop Frank Harrold and Rev. Robert M. Franklin, Sr.

Next, 12 Ambassadors for peace were recognized for their service to the community, with Rev. Madeline Coburn receiving hers on stage to represent all appointees. Later two additional pastors expressed a desire to become involved with the ongoing Middle East Peace Initiative. One said, "You have thinking that I've got to start looking for my passport."

Dr. Deborah Morris, the pastor of Willing Workers Christian Church, was one of the recipients of the coveted "Church Flag of Peace," and once she received it on stage, sang "How Great Thou Art," getting everyone else into the words of the song.

Rev. Tanya Edwards of Pentecostals of Philadelphia came to the podium to introduce the keynote speaker, Mrs. Jun Sook Kwak Moon. "As a member of Women

in Ministry, I understand the importance of faith and service," she stated, sharing some of the accomplishments of the evening's speaker. As she concluded, the audience rose to their feet and applauded enthusiastically as Mrs. Moon walked into the room.



During her speech, the audience remained focused and followed her every word. At a number of points, they broke into applause of nods and "Amen." She was honored at the conclusion of her speech with two Missouri state resolutions.

To conclude her appearance, many women joined her on stage to sign the Women's Declaration of Peace, and by the end of the evening, over 40 had also signed this historic document. Participants were reluctant to leave at the end of the event in spite of the hour becoming late.

May 31, 2007 - North Dakota

Jun Sook Kwak Moon made the 11th stop of her 19-state tour in Fargo, North Dakota, on Thursday evening, May 31. She was greeted there by close family members and friends who gathered at Holiday Inn's Sterling Room. Present were community and youth leaders from both Christian and Muslim faiths. The event was strongly supported and participated in by the Pfeiffer and Tobkin families. It was the first such event in our state since Father's 50 State Tour in 2001

Guests enjoyed a banquet preprogram with entertainment by Larry Olson's close professional contacts Mary Marshall and Mike Russell. Both Mary and Mike experienced the entire program and were very moved.

John Foss read a moving letter from a state official that showed he understood the worldwide importance of Mrs. Jun Sook Nim's work.

Rev. Carl Swearson, a native North Dakotan, was the MC, relaxed and energetic. No one could have guessed that he was conducting the 6th of 7 events in his region as part of a nonstop state-to-state tour.

Mrs. Jun Sook Kwak Moon gave a heart-filled introduction that showed an amazing understanding of the mind of our local people. She seemed to know just what to say to resonate with our hearts. She went on to convey Father's words with dignity, beauty, and grace. She is a living definition of the meaning of "lineage of God". Flowers in a full spectrum of colors were presented by Chris and Joan Poer. A "Crystal Heart" from the "Heartland" was presented to Jun Sook Nim by Lisa McCaslin.

June 1, 2007 - Pine Ridge, South Dakota

They say rain is symbolic of new growth, a fresh start. If that be the case, Heavenly Father laid the groundwork of making all things new as Jun Sook Kwak Moon arrived at Pine Ridge, South Dakota, on Friday, June 1, in the gym of the SuAnne Big Crow Boys and Girls Club. This was the first time

that a tour event was held on an Indian reservation. The venue was just a few miles from the site of the Wounded Knee Massacre and some of the worst betrayals and abuses of our government toward the Indian Nations.

Rev. Carl Swearson opened the program as MC at 5:30pm by introducing Fred Stands and his drum troupe, "Sons of the Oglala." This five-man team travels statewide, and sometimes nationwide, performing at native gatherings and ceremonies year-round. Rev. Swearson then gave a brief history of the Universal Peace Federation and the purpose of the 7th World Tour.

Mr. John Dickson of the Native American Leadership Alliance then showed a DVD and slide show explaining the purpose and recent activities of NALA, including the ongoing work of reconciliation in the Middle East and the "Healing Totem Poles" project. One slide showed Grandfather Wallace Black Elk in the center of a NALA Blessing Ceremony for traditional people in 2002. At that time, this grandson of Nicolas Black Elk (Black Elk Speaks) had a vision that a man was coming from the East to heal the families.

Dennis and Mayuri Hoffman, of Sioux Falls, led the assembly in the marriage communion, or holy juice ceremony, that allows couples to rededicate their marriage to God and bind themselves to His lineage. As the drumming continued, Abbey Quiver, a descendent of Crazy Horse, and Moses Brings Plenty, descendent of Sitting Bull and Brings Plenty, came forward as representatives to conduct the burning ceremony.

A special presentation of honor was presented to the namesake of the club, SuAnne Big Crow. In 1992, she was 17 and one of the top female high school basketball players in South Dakota. She was killed in a car accident on the way to a game in February of that year. June 1 marked the 5th anniversary of the opening of the boys and girls club.

Leatrice "Chick" Big Crow, Director of the club, took 10 minutes to remember and pay tribute to her daughter, SuAnne. "My daughter was good at bringing people together," she reflected, "and she is still doing that to this day. SuAnne told me how she wanted to turn Pine Ridge into 'Happy Town,' because she truly loved everyone." Leatrice was presented with a Pendleton blanket as she concluded her remarks. Also presented to her was a framed photo offered by Glenn Willis showing Nicholas Black Elk and Rev. Moon praying, as well as the origin of the "Ghost Dance."

June 2, 2007 - Detroit, Michigan

by Ed Taub

Hundreds of people attended the Detroit Universal Peace Federation program featuring Jun Sook Nim as guest speaker on Saturday evening, June 2nd, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Romulus, Michigan. By 6:30 PM the main ballroom was filled to capacity. The crowd was multicolored and multinational, as is typical of a Universal Peace Federation event. Prayers were offered in English and Arabic by representatives of all three of the Abrahamic faiths.

The program Master of Ceremonies was Art Roselle. Music was provided by the ten-member Japanese Missionary Choir, who performed several songs in both Japanese and English, and by Crystal Heuft, a second-generation college student, who played the violin. Many

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guests commented about the holy atmosphere that was created by the music, which was played throughout the program, including delightful instrumental Holy Songs played during dinner. In particular, the audience was charmed by the operatic singing of Tokiko Richardson and Hiromi Wakabayashi.

The women's Welcome Committee was introduced, and eight pastors were presented Family Church of Peace Flags. One of the women highlighted was a minister from Unity Temple in Highland Park who officiates at an annual "World Day of Prayer."

The event really got going when Rev. Jesse Edwards took the stage. In his unique Pentecostal style, he challenged the audience to show some emotion. "They say this is a hotel, but wherever I am is immediately a church. Can somebody say 'Amen?' We are all one here. Muslims, Christians, and Jews are all brothers in the family of God." People in the audience started singing, dancing, and shouting.

The audience was then ready for Jun Sook Nim, who was introduced by District Director David Rendel. She began her remarks with a crowd-pleasing comment: "I am excited to be in Detroit. How about those Pistons? Shall we pray for them?" She went on to deliver her speech with great poise. It was interrupted numerous times by spontaneous applause and cheers, as well as by the more traditional "Amen's." After the speech, she was presented with a gift by representatives of three sponsoring organizations - Womens Federation for World Peace, Women in Ministry, and Ambassadors for Peace.

One Catholic priest from East-pointe nominated three women from his parish. One of them was asked for her comments. She said, "I am so grateful for this award and to be here with you this evening. We are one people. We are God's people. I believe there can be peace on earth. I hope we can learn to understand each other."

Public comments were offered by Dr. Ossimiri, a female business professor, who had just returned from the International Universal Peace Federation Conference in Washington, DC. Dressed in native Nigerian clothing, she spoke powerfully: "This revolution of love being called for in this generation by Reverend Moon is far different than the one called for in the 1960s. God is doing the calling now. We can transfer this hell on earth to the Heaven on earth that God originally intended."

In closing, Bishop Raphael Williams of the Greater Faith Assembly of Detroit said: "I just returned from Israel on a trip sponsored by the Universal Peace Federation. It was one of the greatest experiences of my life. I now have a vision that we can come together as one family under God. Let's join hands and pray together for that vision to become a reality."

June 3, 2007 - Baltimore, MD

On Sunday, June 3rd the state of Maryland welcomed the whirlwind, 50 State Peace Tour conducted by the Universal Peace Federation (UPF). The spirit of love for all people was on display at the Morning Star Baptist Church of Christ in Baltimore, Maryland. The UPF founder's family, centering on Dr. Hak Ja Moon, had completed 39 events since

May 21st and the Baltimore event was to be the 40th.

The sky had opened and rain filled the streets and alleys. There was some worry that those who had attended morning services would find it difficult to come to the early evening event. Those worries soon disappeared as the room filled to overflowing with nearly 400 people. The décor fit the venue perfectly, thanks to the expertise of Alex and Jacqui Apostolides and their family. The tables were set and arranged by Elizabeth Aihe, Wassana Catalan, Nicole Aroche, Eny Reed and Alex Francis and Daniel Mwalago.

Rev. Levy M. B. Daugherty led the call to order and invited the Boy Scout Troop 1212 to attention with the Presentation of Colors while the Washington Aids International Teens W.A.I.T. sang a harmonious National Anthem, which was composed in the Baltimore Harbor. Dr. Arnold Howard, ACLC, Co-Chairman in District One, set the tone with a powerful invocation and grace. The audio and video elements were in perfect timing. The crew of Otmar Weimann as musician and sound guide by Frank Maketa, video shot by Mr. Koga and all coordinated by Kokichi Tachibana all did an excellent job.

Next, as dinner began, Pastor Angelika Selle of New Hope Family and Community Church offered a reading of spiritual messages from past saints and presidents. The W.A.I.T. team entertained the



gathering with deep, meaningful song and spirited dance. Mrs. Kate Tsubata explained the vision of W.A.I.T. as, giving hope to all teens to allow God to guide their lives during the growing period and to abstain from sexual relationships until blessed in marriage with their eternal partner.

At this point the program was in full gear. Dr. Samuel Ray, the host pastor, is celebrating his 40th year pasturing at Morning Star, which is a 117-year-old church in west Baltimore, just a few blocks from downtown. Dr. Ray encouraged all to help bring unity in the community. There were several generations of the Ray family in the audience.

The stage was set for the introduction of our keynote speaker, Mrs. Jun Sook Kwak Moon. Earlier in the day when she arrived from the Detroit, Michigan, event she had a special surprise. All of her family, her husband and children, decided to greet her in Baltimore. With this extra incentive, Mrs. Moon was electrifying. Dr. Hyun Jin Preston Moon gave her a warm and powerful introduction. He had introduced his mother, Dr. Hak Ja Moon, in 12 cities earlier and now he was pleased to repeat this here. He explained the depth and sacrifice that this mother of eight children has been committed to during

this tour and in their entire lives. The main point is for all of us as participant listen to and understand the core principle that we are created as God's children and we must live as "one family under God".

As Jun Sook Nim and Hyun Jin Nim



embraced on stage, you could feel the power of their true love tradition. "Wow, what an introduction" she exclaimed then she smiled with great dignity as she bowed and started reading. All the audience was either reading along or fixed on watching her read every word. All of their children were at the front tables and occasionally she would glance at them lovingly. There were applauses and Amens where she would say thank you in response. You could tell that everyone was eating spiritually these words from Heaven. The room seemed to glow.

The concluding part of the speech is a request for everyone to seriously study the entire collection of peace messages presented by Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon Especially during this jubilee year in God's providence. All of the women of dignity welcome committee members joined Mrs. Moon on stage to offer her a gift of gratitude and unity and to join in the signing of the peace declaration. To conclude the entire family came on stage for a historic photo.

June 4, 2007 - Warwick, Rhode Island

As the guests gathered in the Rotunda of the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Warwick, Rhode Island, there was a sense of intimacy and connectedness. The power of a circular room was apparent as the feeling of togetherness within the circle made the message of peace all the more real. The circular tables let guests see each other's faces and feel that sense



of community, a global community represented in the diverse audience.

Rev. Beuensing welcomed everyone to the festivities and led the room in the Holy Burning and Special Blessing Cer-

emonies. After the ceremonies concluded, the banquet began. Anxious to capture this momentous occasion for memory, a colorfully dressed Buddhist monk recorded the audience, and nearby tables, with his video camera. The monk was Sochetta Yieng, who worked in Cambodia and America working to bring peace. He became an Ambassador for Peace and said after the event: "It's wonderful. I was surprised. I really like and enjoy it (the event and being an Ambassador for Peace)."

Seating for over a hundred was prepared for the evening, but as the tables were being filled by guests, more seats were added to fit more attendees. Rev. Groenendyk powerfully delivered the welcoming address, followed by a heartfelt song offering by Rev. Israel Mercedes and Loanny Mercedes, his wife.

Rev. Jesse Edwards then took the stage, bringing with him an energy that brightened the room, preparing the way for the message to come. He literally brought members of five different religions together, on stage, thus demonstrating peace through this powerful display of love. Rev. Edwards's address was followed by the UPF video presentation. Both Rev. Edwards and the video presentation helped the audience understand the loving heart of our True Parents and gave insight into their initiatives toward world peace.

In a touching moment, Rev. Edwards engaged the room in song, and the audience was more than willing to participate. As he shared the songs of his father and his faith, the atmosphere became more centered, more ready to receive the message of God, our vertical parent.

Following this moment, Jun Sook Nim took the stage to a receptive audience. The Rhode Islanders were able to feel True Family's love, as Jun Sook Nim shared the significance of Rhode Island as a state: having the first synagogue in America, being the first state to abolish slavery, and being founded for the purpose of religious freedom. She glowed as she spoke the words of our True Parents to the more than dozen churches and organizations, the many dignitaries, and 15 Ambassadors for Peace.

Following Jun Sook Nim's address, ministers wanted to shake her hand to express his gratitude for the message she gave. Many were eager to sign the Peace Declaration at the end of the event. A guest couple expressed their thorough enjoyment of the event, going on further: "We thought it was moving to see the daughter presenting her father's speech." What more could express the point of a family working toward world peace, than a loyal daughter reading the message and continuing the mission of her father?

June 6, 2007 - New Hampshire

by Ken Tassej

In 1905, in this historic harbor town of Portsmouth, New Hampshire, the Treaty of Portsmouth was signed, ending the war between Russia and Japan. It was an event that changed the course of history in the Pacific region.

The event took place at the New Hope Baptist Church in Portsmouth, and church

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May 22, 2007 -
Portland, Oregon

Mrs. Yeon Ah Choi Moon

Portland, Oregon was graced with a touch of the Holy Spirit with the arrival of Yeon Ah Choi Moon. Forgoing much-deserved rest, Yeon Ah Nim joined the local organizers and leaders for breakfast, after which we visited the Holy Ground at Mt. Tabor.

Oregon is unique in that Miss Young Oon Kim and David S.C. Kim both pioneered in Oregon, the beginning of our movement in America. Our program was held at the Emanuel Temple in downtown Portland with Bishop Scott, who is the Presiding Bishop.

The day had started cool and overcast, but as time went on, the clouds cleared and by early evening, the skies were clear and the sun streamed through the many windows, providing powerful natural illumination.

In attendance were Native Americans, Muslims, Buddhists, and the ACLC ministers.

John Dickson had returned from the events surrounding the Washington Times anniversary to serve as our MC.

Pastor Flemming, a longtime supporter of our work, gave the invocation. A professional dancer performed a beautiful drum and fan dance. Rachel Curry, program director of the Next Gen. Academy, sang beautifully, accompanied by guitar.

Mr. Gary Spanovich, founder and director of the Wholistic Peace Institute, gave special remarks. His was a deep testimony of the spiritual authority of True Parents and their family.

It was our special fortune to have Archbishop G.A. Stallings on the program. He inspired the participants as he introduced Yeon Ah Nim with his usual eloquence and power.

Yeon Ah Nim was splendid. Her natural poise and warmth were obvious. After the speech many stayed to have their picture taken with her, shake her hand, or get her autograph on the speech booklet.

Six new Ambassadors for peace were appointed. On honoree asked us to recognize her father, who was in attendance. "Today", she said, "is his 103rd birthday!"

At the end of the program, in his wrap-up, Rev Dickson reiterated that we were attending a family reunion. In response

honor. Three women on stage placed their cards in a bowl and burned them while the audience symbolically participated by placing their cards in a bowl on their tables. The three women prayed silently while the drums played. Mrs. Wendy Stovall did an excellent job of emceeding the local program.

Rev. Dr. Langes Silva of the Catholic Archdiocese of Salt Lake gave a blessing for the banquet meal. Entertainment was provided by the Laotian Dance Association of Salt Lake during the dinner, which added atmosphere to the Pacific Rim ERA theme.

Rev. Mark Hernandez, MC of the national program, gave the introduction to the Ambassador for Peace Core Values, which was followed by the Blessing Ceremony. Yoshiko Hisano enthralled the crowd with her heart-touching performance as she played the violin. She was accompanied by Mrs. Eiko Takeda on the piano.

A welcome letter from the Mayor of Taylorsville and proclamations from the mayors of Salt Lake City and Sandy City were read. Rev. Tim Henning read Dr. Yang's welcome remarks. Yeon Ah Nim gave her heart in reading the keynote address. She was presented flowers by Mr. and Mrs. Wisdom Idika. Three women



to his question; "What is America's Destiny?", participants shouted: "One Family Under God".

May 23, 2007 - Salt Lake City, Utah

by Rev. Mark Hernandez and Mrs. Wendy Stovall

After landing, Yeon Ah Nim asked to see the Mormon Temple in downtown Salt Lake City. She walked briefly through the sprawling Latter Day Saints complex as if soaking up the spirit of this historic site. In return, later that evening, the city of Salt Lake warmly welcomed Yeon Ah Nim as she conveyed True Parents' message to an appreciative crowd of over 165 people at the Red Lion Hotel. The program opened with a Native American drum song, setting the stage and invoking the Great Spirit to be with the audience. The Burning Ceremony was held during the drumming song of



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pastor Rev. Dr. Arthur Hilson offered his church as the venue. This, in and of itself, is a historic note for our New Hampshire church, as it is the consummation of a seven-year friendship between our sister Yukiko Fairbrother (and her family) and Dr. and Mrs. Hilson. We New Hampshire members were so deeply moved and grateful to Dr. Hilson for this gesture.

The event began with a buffet dinner and fellowship in the church basement. It was wonderful to see new friendships form between our members and members of the New Hope Baptist Church. The food was both Asian and Western, and two of the local church children, "KiKi" (7) and his older sister Courtney (10) learned to eat sushi with chopsticks.

From the outset of the speaking event, it was evident that the church was filled with love and the Holy Spirit! With Dr. Hilson's dynamic, fatherly way, the heart and soul of his church singer/pianist Carrie Coltrane, Bishop Kim, Rev. Edwards, Rev Daugherty and the broad mix in the audience, the atmosphere was very Bap-

tist, very Pentecostal, very Unificationist, and there was even a dash of Catholic; a beautiful sight to God!

Jun Sook Nim was overflowing with light. Her love and thoughtfulness came through in her opening greeting as she reached out to Dr Hilson with his own "trademark" slogan, "Too Blessed to Complain!"

STF was faithful to its tradition in supporting True Family as they chimed in and brought smiles to Jun Sook Nim and the audience. They assisted with the affair in every way, with cheer and inspiration from beginning to the end.

30 of Dr. Hilson's church members came and New Hampshire members and their guests from surrounding towns filled the church. Three former school board members, three former state legislators, and two former councilmen attended as well as several pastors from local churches. Pastor Rev. Robert Waworuntu of the Emmanuel Indonesian Lutheran Church in Portsmouth offered the invocation. Several members from Massachusetts and Maine came to see Jun Sook Nim as well.

New Hampshire appointed four Ambassadors for Peace. One of them, the father of member Cheryl Roth, was grateful and

felt the event was very inspirational. A second Ambassador for Peace thanked Cheryl for nominating her as well, and that it was heartening to see that someone is acknowledging good work being done in the community. Heather Thalheimer's guest, a 21-year-old accounting major at SNHU kept talking about how beautiful Jun Sook Nim was. She recognized it was a spiritual beauty and that she had a beautiful aura around her. She said she would love to grow her spirit to be as beautiful.

Yukiko Fairbrother commented that Dr. Hilson was honored to host Jun Sook Nim and the event at his Church. Mrs. Hilson was at the church the whole day while members prepared from noon and worked hard throughout to make this a joyous occasion. Mrs. Fairbrother was touched to see the congregation members participate in the Holy Wine ceremony and several who attended as couples took part in the Marriage Dedication. Several of the Baptist Church members commented about the speech and that it gave them a broader view of God's providence.

About 50 members attended Hoon Dok Hae. After the reading, Jun Sook Nim

of Utah, Mrs. Margaret Yorgason, Mrs. Ethel Anderson and Mrs. Sheila Laughlin, presented a plaque to Yeon Ah Nim and then were the first to proudly sign the Declaration of Peace with her.

A special family represented by three generations of its women - a grand mother, mother and two daughters received recognition as an outstanding Family of Three Generations. The grandmother was especially moved and humbled to receive such an award.

Dr. Yorgason, an Ambassador for Peace and a highly respected counselor and writer on the family (more than 90 books) offered remarks to wrap up Yeon Ah Nim's speech and call all in attendance to put the words into practice. He also expressed deep gratitude to Rev and Mrs. Sun Myung Moon for initiating the Ambassador for Peace MEPI work, in which he has been honored to have participated.

That provided an excellent segue into the appointment of a distinguished group of twelve new Ambassadors for Peace. The program concluded with door prizes and a special drum dance to bring a traditional Native American closing to a most historical evening.

May 24, 2007 - Boise, Idaho

Yeon Ah Nim completed her fourth event tonight in Boise, Idaho. A full house greeted her in the "Bishop Barnwell" room at Boise State University.

During the preprogram, Yeon Ah Nim met with several Welcome Committee ladies in the green room. Later in the program, they signed the Proclamation together with Yeon Ah Nim and other women present. The message that women are the key to peace in the future was enthusiastically accepted.

Special remarks were delivered by Pete Cenarussa, former Secretary of State of Idaho. Pete served in that role for 36 years. He held public office for over 51 years, retiring in 2003.

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spent special and personal time with all the members, particularly sharing her heart about the parent-child relationship with the young second generation children. It was particularly moving to me, as her guidance to our children at their most difficult ages affirmed everything that my wife and I live for: to demonstrate love and unity as parents and to provide the environment for a healthy, loving family.

At the smaller gatherings, Jun Suk Nim was surrounded by leaders of the masculine strain. As Jun Suk Nim spoke from her heart, we men responded with manly comments related to facts, food and schedules. I found it especially wonderful that as Mrs. Buessing (wife of District Leader Rev Richard Buessing and a former State Representative) or Heather Thalheimer, WFWP NH Chair, entered the conversation, Jun Suk Nim began to share of mothering, of parents' love, of children and their behavior and the more important things in life. This brought the most beautiful smile to her face and joy to all who were there. ❖

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received their commission this evening and are ready to take on greater roles of responsibility.

The Boise members worked hard to put it all together. Although there is currently only one family living in Idaho, there is a very deep foundation that exists due to 20 years of heartfelt investment by Tim and Shizuko Comey. Shizuko left her family in Portland for one week and came to work in Idaho. State Leader James Oberg and the Hagino family of Idaho together with two volunteers from Northern California, Mrs. Hamasaka from Washington and District Assistant, Arnold Evanson completed the core team. More help came the last two days from Oregon and Washington.

As in Portland, Yeon Ah Nim stayed until she had personally greeted every person in attendance who remained, sharing with them personally, having pictures taken and signing the speech booklets. She is truly a Woman of Peace.

May 25, 2007 - Billings, Montana

by Pastor Mike Yakawich

The state of Montana came out with flying colors to welcome her to Billings. Friends and family traveled from as far away as 8 hours to be with her. One home church couple drove 5 hours that day to celebrate the time with her.

Home church members, friends and guests from all over the community gathered for an evening of fried chicken, baked beans and wheat rolls. They were entertained with young performers on trumpet, guitar and piano. A dance troupe from the community performed Okinawa dances and later a guitarist continued to prepare a wonderful heavenly atmosphere.

As the air was charged with electricity, the people were charged with the love of the Holy Spirit. Church dignitaries from the community attended. Some sent letters of welcome, including a past Mayor of Billings and legislators.

Home church members overwhelmingly volunteered for the day, assuming driving to security responsibilities. Others baked home-made cookies and offered help in serving the meals. It was so wonderful to see the grassroots of our neighborhood pouring out to receive the words of wisdom and guidance of our True Parents.

Rev. Krishnek, the District Director, and Rev. Kim did an excellent job in guiding and advising our program. Elder Paul DiLorenzo did an exceptional job as MC task in helping make evening run so smoothly. Elder Chad Martin did a superb job in all the AV needs of the event. Mr. MacMurdie, Mr. Thiessen and so many others worked behind the scenes to make it a great success.

The entire staff traveling with Mrs. Moon was excellent. The AV people who traveled with the group provided critical support and guidance. Moms from our church community were outstanding in serving the meals and hosting all the guests who attended.

The local Family Church went all out to prepare for the special program. All the members were excited. The second generation invested as well in cleaning and preparing God's home for this occasion.

There were many tears throughout the program. Mrs. Yeon Ah Nim Moon was given several rounds of applause during

the program. She spoke very eloquently. All were amazed by her sincerity and compassion. Several ladies who had welcomed her earlier in the day were of great support when she spoke. In short, the atmosphere was blessed with God's love.

Eight LDS missionaries blessed us with their attendance. Rev. James Laramie gave an inspiring talk on the value of ACLC and his work with this group in Billings over the years, including our drug conferences, prayer breakfasts and annual March Against Drugs and Violence. A beautiful painting of the Empire Builder railroad train, done by a local artist, was presented by three community ladies.

As we came to the conclusion of the event, we realized that all those who came stayed for the entire program. We all gathered up front for a very large group photo. Later, all were so pleased and deeply touched by the love of God for Mrs. Yeon Ah Nim Moon's time as she visited with every guest there, taking pictures and touching lives. Indeed, the daughter of True Parents' heart harvests great love here in Montana.

May 26, 2007 - Laramie, Wyoming

As guests enjoyed the delicious catered Korean meal, they were entertained by the melodious sounds of the Laramie High School String trio. The main program began when our MC for the night, Rev. Michael Hentrich, introduced Wendy Berelson, former president of the Jewish community of Laramie, to give the invocation. Wendy sang the prayer for peace in Hebrew and then translated it for us all.

Maria Love shared some heartfelt remarks on the theme of the evening.

Our keynote speaker was introduced by the inimitable Archbishop George Augustus Stallings Jr. Archbishop Stallings had nothing but glowing remarks about Ms. Moon, saying that her manner was both as soothing as a "gentle breeze" and also



as strong as a "quiet storm". Yeon Ah Nim herself prefaced her reading of the speech by expressing her gratitude for the opportunity to travel to 19 states to share this message of peace, meeting many new friends on the way. She said that her main concern, as a mother of six, is how she can raise her children in a good way. When she thinks of her children, she told us, she realizes that she can do anything for them. So, in that way, she can always determine herself to do her best. Yeon Ah Nim told us that every mother is like this. The message of peace that is being shared

in all 50 states during this Peace Tour emphasizes the role that women and mothers must play in bringing about a world of peace. So Yeon Ah Nim's remarks about the determination mothers must make to accomplish their responsibilities were extremely relevant.



After the speech, flowers were presented by Rev. Thelma Sidberry and a gift was presented by Rev. Arthur Boyd, Bishop Gary Mosley, and Rev. Stephen Ngalame. We ended the evening with a touching rendition of the National Anthem by the Laramie High School Chorus and String trio in unison.

Yeon Ah Nim stayed and shared with the guests long after the event was over, taking pictures with everyone and thanking them for coming. The spirit was such that no one seemed to want to leave, lingering in the banquet hall and sharing their hopes for peace with one another. It was truly a new beginning for Laramie.

May 27, 2007 - Memphis, TN

The Tennessee event was held at Greater Hope Baptist Church - Family Life Center on Sunday (May 27) afternoon, presided over by Dr. Dannie D. Holmes. (Father Moon spoke at the church on a Sunday afternoon 6 years ago.)

More than 200 people gathered to listen to God's messages. Especially, the Welcome Committee, which consisted of more than 30 women, was powerful. Twenty-six people were appointed as Ambassadors for Peace that day. In spite of many changes, Dr. Holmes as an emcee was stable and generous. His congregation was so supportive. His daughter prepared beautiful and heartfelt flower bouquets and corsages. Dr. Modeste, an Ambassador for Peace, read spiritual messages from Heaven.

It was a gathering of good men and women. Also, they sincerely listened to the substitute speaker for Mrs. Yeon Ah Choi Moon. At the end, Dr. Jangdhari, Ambassador for Peace, offered a beautiful prayer from an interdenominational and interreligious perspective.

Then, we had a dinner meeting with Mrs. Yeon Ah Choi Moon. More than 30 people, including 5 pastor or ministers' couples, gathered to greet and talk with her. Archbishop Stallings introduced her with his clear explanation of the meaning of 50-state speaking tour. Mrs. Moon

talked about the importance of women in peace making. She loved each participant with a warm heart. They enjoyed it a lot.

May 28, 2007 - Oklahoma City

by Rev. Jun Orikasa

Yeon Ah Nim arrived at Oklahoma City and went with members to the Holy Ground and prayed for Oklahoma. Then after that, we welcomed Yeon Ah Nim at the banquet. Rev. John Copeland, Jr., prayed as the invocation. For entertainment, one Muslim couple sang and then Native Americans played drums and sang. The introduction to Ambassadors for Peace was done by Rev. Mark Hernandez. Ms Evelyn Nephew, on the Guthrie City Council, read the welcome letter. Then Archbishop Stallings introduced Yeon Ah Nim. After the speech, three women of

Oklahoma signed the Declaration of Peace. After the event, everybody did a Native American dance together.

May 29, 2007 - Little Rock, AR

by Bruce Biggin

Yeon Ah Nim is an incredible woman. We could see it not only in her way of loving members but in the way she reached out to and embraced the guests at our event. Simply put, she loves people.

Our event was at the Embassy Suites Hotel in West Little Rock. We had arranged the room for 120 people. Though we did not have a banquet, we did have refreshments and finger food before the main program. We did not know how it would turn out since there were essentially the state leader and myself working full time on the event. Still members worked hard calling their contacts, and every one of the Central Blessed Families brought a good number of guests. Before 6 p.m. guests began arriving, many guests, in fact. Though we planned for about 120 to 130, in fact nearly 160 people came. The tables were full, and we had to put out chairs along the wall to accommodate everyone.

My wife, Emiko, brought 18 guests from her Mt. Fuji restaurant. Roberto, our Hispanic brother, brought 18 from a Hispanic church. Our close Ambassador for Peace, Mrs. Rubye Emerson, who just recently moved back to South Arkansas after having moved to Memphis for the past 3 or 4 years, brought ten community leaders from South Arkansas. They traveled 2 hours to get to the event. The Islamic community (W.D. Muhammad's group) also brought over 10 guests. One Imam brought 2 Christian ministers, one of them the Vice President of the Ministerial Alliance of Lee County in our state.

Our plan was to work through our base of close contacts and have them invite people to come, and that is exactly what happened. We commissioned nearly 30 new Ambassadors for Peace and had 30 women receive Women of Destiny Awards. We heard that Yeon Ah Nim wanted to meet women leaders and so we organized a reception for her at 6 p.m. before the main program at 7.

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ny and Healing - because they have a mother's heart and love for their families and for humanity.

When True Parents entered, we offered our Kyung Beh and then the 50 State Tour victory cake was cut, to the singing of "Happy Victory to You". Flowers were offered from Mrs. Yang, my wife, and many of wives of Women in Ministry. Bishop Stallings, Rev. Edwards and Bishop C. Phillip Johnson offered a trophy congratulating True Parents for the launch of the Pacific Rim Era . Rev. Edwards and Bishop Stallings were on all of the 19 days of the tour covering from Alaska and Hawaii all the way to the East Coast. The era of women - as mothers, wives, daughters and grandmothers leading the world to peace - was highlighted by the fact that the trophy they offered was adorned by a woman. True Father is lifting up women centering on True Mother as the way to peace. The three organizations that organized the women shined throughout the 50 states and especially on this day. WFWP led by Mrs. Alexa Ward as president, Women Ambassadors for Peace led by Mrs. Lynn Walsh and ACLC Women in Ministry led by Mrs. Jenkins came together and the women responded. Mrs. Alexa Ward traveled across the country with True Mother and connected to the sisters of our movement throughout the nation as well as key Women Ambassadors for Peace.

Due to the tightly packed crowd (the majority of whom were those born in America), Father asked for True Parents' chairs to be pushed back all the way to the wall so that more people could fit in. All the leaders of UPF and FFWPU were there. Dr. Walsh, Dr. Salonen, Dr. Hendricks, Rev. Jim Flynn, Bishop Kim, Rev. Dong Wu Kim, Rev. Mito, Mrs. Ward, Rev. Joshua Cotter, Rev. Daugherty, all Vice Presidents and District Directors and so many western members. Brothers and sisters flew all the way from the west coast throughout America to come for this event. Thirty members flew in from LA. They came from San Francisco and Seattle. The ACLC clergy and Ambassadors for Peace who had supported the tour were there in attendance. Brother Stephen Muhammad, a prominent member of the Nation of Islam, flew in just to support this moment demonstrating the heart of love and respect for True



Parents from the Nation of Islam - who are like one family with ACLC and the Family movement.

Father asked Won Ju to continue the final section from the Cheong Seong Gyeong - on the family pledge. We read Pledge Number 8. It was beautiful. Father was giving beautiful guidance for our families and America. He shared, "We must have a Father and a Mother. Aboji and Omoni. All children should be united as one. We must have grandparents, parents and children. That is the relationship we should have in the family.

Through the variety of notes - we can make music. All the races and peoples have to be united to make a beautiful world. They must come into harmony and compliment each other. There is an order - Father is first, then Mother, then son, then daughter. There is an order that is needed to bring harmony. In a marriage we must live for the other - then eventually two must become one."

Mother had a list of the entertainment prepared for the celebration - Father, with a smile said, "What's this ? I didn't know this was prepared ! Do

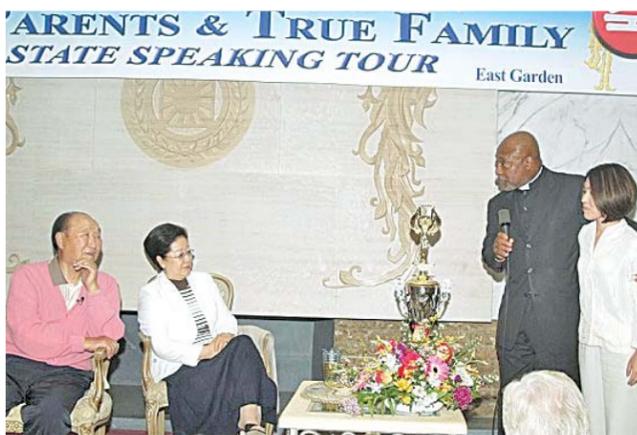
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you want me to stop talking ?" Everyone said, no Father, please speak. Father smiled, shared a little longer and then asked Mother to sing for us. Then Dr. Yang was asked to report and have the celebration. Dr. Yang called upon renowned Tony Award winning Broadway performer, recording artist and TV and movie actress Ms. Melba Moore to sing for True Parents. She had joined the tour in Delaware and Philadelphia. She was amazing as she sang a medley based on "Lift Every Voice and Sing" - the Black National Anthem. She hit notes so perfectly and so high that it was thrilling. In the medley were Gospel spirituals "Wade on the Water" and "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot." Then Ms. sang so beautifully "Climb Every Mountain."

Dr. Yang reported about the tour, highlighting the fact that the response to Mother and Hyun Jin Nim was so incredible. The quality of quantity of guests was the best in our American history. He reported how Yeon Ah Nim and Jun Sook Nim

deeply touched the hearts of the American people - they brought a different dimension of? True Parents' heart to America. Many clergy came - Bishop Pugh, Rev. Abernathy and Bishop Sharon White were there from Atlanta, Rev. Weston and Chicago clergy came, Bishop Margie Delarosa, Bishop C. Phillip and Mrs. Johnson came from D.C. and Rev. Gilda Price and Bishop Delarosa came from New York. Rev. Andre Jackson, the star of the 4th World Tour, was there from San Francisco. They all came on their own - from the heart.

Dr. Yang then introduced the teams that traveled on the 50 state tour. With Jun Sook Nim were Bishop Ki Hoon Kim and Rev. Jesse Edwards, and with Yana Nim were Rev. Dong Woo Kim and Archbishop Stallings. Dr. Yang called upon Rev. Edwards to share. It was one of the most beautiful testimonies. Mother got tears in her eyes when Rev. Edwards brought his wife to stand with him and said, "Father, you teach us about true love. I never understood about true love,



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I have been married for 37 years and yet it wasn't until I came to Father and Mother Moon that I understood True Love. My life and my marriage totally changed. One morning when my wife and I woke up - she said to me - where have you been all of our marriage? (meaning that Rev. Edwards is filled with true love now and is so attractive to his wife.)

Also, when I see True Family going across the country they are really carrying the message of God and doing all they can to bring true love to America. Nothing is more meaningful to a Father and Mother than to see their children take up their mission. Father, your children are really taking up your mission and I want you to know that America is being moved. They are inspiring a huge response in America. I saw that the True Family is to totally inspire and raise up this nation on behalf of Father. When Jun Sook Nim and Yeon Ah Nim spoke - I felt Father's spirit was there. The message goes forth with power."

Next, Archbishop Stallings was called upon and shared, "Cham Pu Mo Nim, Cham Abonim, Cham Omonim. You are our True Parents and Father and Mother - one thing this tour proved more than anything else - America Loves True Parents, America Loves True Family. Everywhere we went across the 50 States of America, this nation is showing an overwhelming response of love to True Parents. My wife and I are blessed - we are grateful. True Parents blessed us! I have beautiful sons because of True Parents - I wanted them to come greet you but they are asleep. We know and believe who you are - you are the anointed as the second coming, the messiah, the savior and the True Parent of Humanity - you are the King and Queen of Peace. My twin brother Rev. Jesse Edwards and I are so close in spirit that many can't tell us apart now. (Father smiled). True Father and True Mother, America loves you and we will fulfill our responsibility as clergy and as a nation. Comsa Hamnida."

Bishop Stallings and Rev. Edwards embraced while Bishop Stallings said, "We salt and pepper! We are one and we are with True Parents." Father and Mother were smiling and filled with excitement. It is no small thing that a black Catholic leader and a white Protestant leader are testifying that Jesus anointed Father



and Mother and that they believe in True Parents. The movement of ACLC, Ambassadors for Peace, and all women movements of all faiths are deeply uniting to support True Parents as the King and Queen of Peace." They believe in the True Family. Father gave a thumbs up as they embraced.

Senator Donzella James (former Georgia Senator) testified that she was so anxious to see True Parents for the celebration. "Father, we flew in last night and our plane was delayed. We arrived

at 4 am got on the bus and came straight here. We are so grateful for True Parents. I went to Miami - Mother brought such love there. I went to Atlanta and saw True Family. America is changing; your love is winning the hearts of the American people."

Dr. Yang called on my wife Reiko and me to sing. We sang Battle Hymn of the Republic in Korean. Then the East Garden Children sang, including True Parents' little grandchildren. It was beautiful. World Carp sang and the atmos-

phere was filled with excitement.

Then Hyun Jin Nim sang the Elvis song "If I Can Dream". He explained that the roots of this song are in the black church and then a white boy named Elvis made it famous and now a yellow boy from Seoul, -- A SOUL BOY-- is lifting it up to unite One Family Under God - Aju !!

He called upon Rev. Jenkins, Rev. Edwards, Rev. Daugherty and Bishop Stallings to support. We sang in Elvis style! We sang together. Then he sang a great Korean song, and we could all join in.

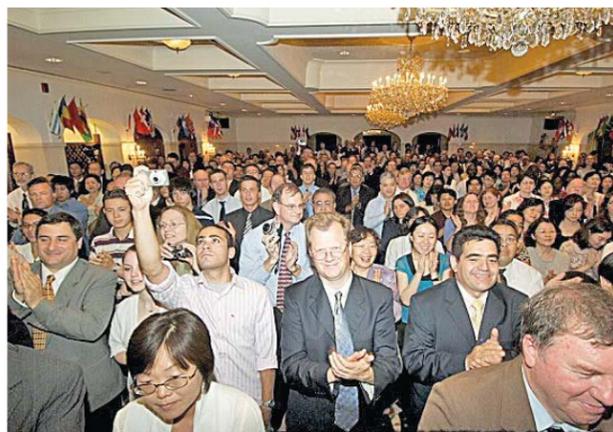
Dr. Yang led three cheers of Mansei with Abonim and the glorious celebration concluded with our respect to True Parents through the Kyung Beh.

The clergy joined in the waterfall dining room with Dr. Yang. Everyone was on one accord, praising the reality that the Kingdom is being realized right before our eyes. Then the huge crowd from inside and outside jammed the area around the back of East Garden and lined the driveway all the way to send True Parents off. The clergy stood by the door. Father and Mother were smiling and waving. America loves True Parents. Bishop Kim called me afterward. He said, "Rev. Jenkins, this was really a great day for America. True Parents' heart was so moved toward America. They don't want to leave!"

Dr. and Mrs. Yang and my wife and I were able to say goodbye to True Parents at the airplane with Hyun Jin Nim. Shin Jun Nim is traveling with True Parents, along with Jeong Jin Nim. How beautiful it is to see True Parents happy and excited with America. Father and Mother felt hope like never before. We can and will fulfill. We are united as Americans in filial piety toward our True Parents! We are one family under God.

Thank you, all brothers and sisters. You made it happen. You heard Father's call to come to East Garden, and you came. You showed the heart of a filial child to our True Parents. America is rising to fulfill its responsibility.

Thank you to all members, Ambassadors for Peace, women leaders and clergy. Thank you, America. God is blessing and guiding the Elder Son Nation. We will fulfill our destiny - America's Destiny - One Family Under God! ❖



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Twenty-five women leaders of Arkansas came to the reception room and warmly greeted Yeon Ah Nim. They were there for nearly 40 minutes, even after our preprogram was beginning. We had a beautiful preprogram that began at exactly 6:30 p.m. on time. We had musical entertainment from a Christian Methodist Episcopal men's group. A choir from a Hispanic church next added to the spirit. We closed out with a beautiful song from Rev. John Jackson's daughter and friend, who performed wonderfully. Bruce Biggin, UPF coordinator for Arkansas, gave the Ambassador for Peace PowerPoint presentation, and we closed out the preprogram with the burning ceremony and spirit world messages. By this time everyone was in their seat and the room was filled to capacity.

There were a Christian prayer, a Muslim prayer, and a Hindu prayer to start us off. Mrs. Rubye Emerson gave a beautiful presentation of the Ambassadors for Peace initiative and was interrupted often with applause and Amens. We had a beautiful Blessing toast. Rev. John Jackson, who was our MC, gave a beautiful explanation of the Blessing of marriage that Father and Mother have been doing; especially he shared about the great value of cross-cultural marriage using his wife and he as an example. We received a beautiful letter addressed to Yeon Ah Nim from a U.S. Senator warmly welcoming her and encouraging her. We also received a proclamation from the Little Rock and North Little Rock mayors.

Archbishop George Augustus Stallings. He roused and inspired the audience in a way that had them totally prepared for Yeon Ah Nim. He concluded by saying that Yeon Ah Nim was a member of the "Triple A." She was Appointed, Anointed and Approved. As Yeon Ah Nim approached the podium everyone stood to welcome her. She read the speech beautifully and clearly and gave emphasis where needed. She was applauded several times during the speech.

Yeon Ah Nim stayed afterwards to talk to guests and to take pictures with them and members. After dinner she talked to some of the leaders and sisters who had gathered for dinner with her. After this she continued speaking with the sisters until 3:30 in the morning, pouring out her love and heart to them. She really

tried to listen to sisters and understand their situation and give guidance. How much we could see God's unconditional love and concern and True Parents' unconditional love towards us as she gave so much and attempted to understand everyone's situation well in an effort to give good guidance.



May 30, 2007 - Jackson, MS

There had been almost no rain in Mississippi for nearly two months. So, it came as a delightful surprise that it rained in Jackson when Mrs. Yeon Ah Choi Moon arrived on Wednesday, May 30, 2007. And while the rain refreshed the parched soil, the words from Heaven read by Mrs. Moon later in the evening quenched the spiritual thirst of all who heard her speak.

One pastor from North Port, Alabama, said after the program, "I feel so filled. Everything that was said tonight can be found in the Word of God."

The hostess for the program was Rev. Terry Yamane, who is responsible for the church activities in Mississippi. Under her leadership every person in the audience felt an important part of the 50-state World Peace tour.

Rev. Stan Wachtstetter, a Christian evangelist from Northern Mississippi, shared how he began working with Reverend Moon and his movement back in days of the movement's anti-communist work, CAUSA. Rev. Wachtstetter attended the program with his granddaughter and his son-in-law. The three year old granddaughter sang Jesus Loves Me in three languages; English, Russian and Spanish, while the son-in-law, Rev. Greg Harris, sang a beautiful hymn without accompaniment.

"I had the honor and pleasure of introducing Rev. Moon when he and Mrs. Moon last came to Mississippi," said Rev. Wachtstetter. "Just as I have come to know True Father and True Mother, I hope my son and daughter get to know Reverend and Mrs. Moon's children. And may God bless their children with many of their own babies. I hope that my grandchildren can get to know the grandchildren of Rev. and Mrs. Moon."

The Jackson event was held in the church of the Triumph of the Church and Kingdom of God in Christ. Dr. Moses Gibson and Dr. Miriam Gibson were the host shepherds. The Gibsons had celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary the week before. Dr. Miriam Gibson said, "Reverend Moon was the first Christian leader to emphasize the family and to bring peo-

ple together regardless of race and religion to be one family under God. We study tapes of the Divine Principle at our weekly study group. In a world where there are so many negative things going on, it is a great relief to have Father Moon talking about purity before marriage, and being faithful within marriage."

Before Mrs. Yeon Ah Choi Moon spoke, Archbishop George Augustus Stallings came to the podium to share about Rev. Moon and his mission. Archbishop Stallings had everyone to their feet several times with shouts of praise. He noted how miserably Jesus had been treated 2,000 years ago, and how we have come to know him ourselves, not by what people said of him 2000 years ago. "If people didn't like Jesus, how could they be expected to like Reverend Moon?" he questioned.

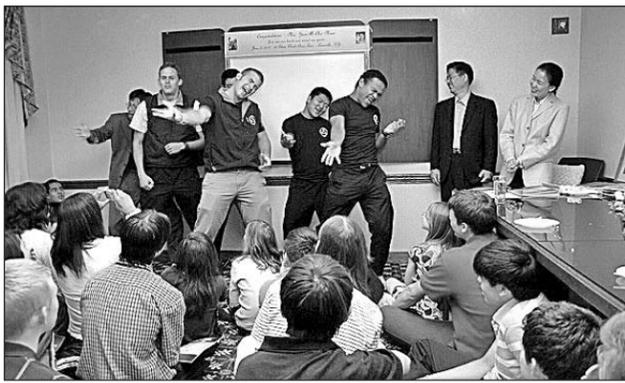
When Mrs. Moon came to the pulpit after Archbishop Stallings, she commented that she wondered what she could add to the evening. She immediately won the hearts of all present when she said that she felt like a sister to each person there. Everyone listened attentively to her speech.

Elder Mary of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, said, "This speech meant so much to me. So much information was given, information that should be made available to every neighborhood. Yeon Ah Nim was talking about how to love and how to build one family under God. When you love, you have the heart of God."

May 31, 2007 - New Orleans, Louisiana

The venue was the historic Mount Moriah Missionary Baptist Church, the church of Dr. Simmie L. Harvey and the church of the esteemed mother of gospel music, Mahalia Jackson.

New Orleans was heavily stricken by Hurricane Katrina in 2005. So much sorrow and despair! But last night God packed



leader and a board member of SCLC, explained the occasion and expressed his support for True Parents' worldwide ministry and peace-building work. The message, "A Providential View of the Pacific Rim Era in Light of God's Will", was delivered by Yeon Ah Nim. People came from as far as La Fayette to witness the appointment of fourteen women of destiny and four Ambassadors for Peace. The dynamic founder of the African-American Catholic congregation of the Imani Temple, Archbishop George Augustus Stallings Jr., brought the house down when he elaborated on a theme of the tour, One Family Under God. He got the audience on their feet as he called all to seal America's destiny in God's spiritual principles and His anointed messengers, the True Parents of all humankind.

June 1, 2007 - Mobile, Alabama

The Alabama Family Church was the chosen venue to receive Mrs. Yeon Ah Choi Moon, as our True Mother's representative, on June 1st, 2007. It was the best and most well attended event we have ever had.

People of diverse faiths and backgrounds filled our sanctuary as they eagerly anticipated the program featuring Rev. Moon's daughter-in-law as the Keynote Speaker on the topic of "America's Destiny-One Family Under God." Many of our guests had been in attendance when True Father came to Mobile on the 50 State Tour in 2001, and knew they were in for a wonderful evening.

Our program began with beautiful music carefully chosen by Mr. Steven Ropoli, who plays guitar in the Alabama Band with our talented 2nd generation singers. The Special Remarks from the Spirit World were read with dignity and authority by Rev. Steve Wilson. The mood was set by the dulcet tones of Mr. Alberto Moraes who moved us with a quiet but powerful solo of "Word of God Speak."

We used the time of the Invocation to incorporate prayers from a Christian minister (Rev. Harry Edwards) Muslim imam (Kamal Saleem), and a Buddhist monk (Venerable Hue Khong). It created an atmosphere of peace and unity which set the tone of the evening, making everyone feel internally included and respected.

The spirit in the room mounted when Evangelist Loretta Handy united everyone in her rousing rendition of "Dance as David Danced." We all know how that song can get the room dancing! She then sang, with tears, the song she had co-written with Rev.

Joshua Cotter for Father's 50 State Tour, "What's Happening With The World."

Since the theme of the evening centered on the role of women in the new era, we called women representatives forward to participate in a symbolic burning away of the old person, the old concept, and also the old role compared to the new.

A proclamation was given by the Mayor of Mobile, the Honorable Sam Jones, declaring June 1st, America's Central Role in the Path to Peace Day.

Alabama is fortunate to be the home of the now famous Rev. Carl V. Rawls, who was present with his wife Min. Marilyn Rawls and their two children, and on stage to give "The Meaning of the Occasion." He completely captured the audience with his authority, sincerity and ability to focus the people on the substance

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of the occasion and the timeliness and breadth of our True Parents' work. He declared, "We are brothers and sisters, in the very essence of our being. There may be a difference, externally, but we have to awaken our spirit!"

Rev. Rawls presentation was followed by an Inspirational Message by Archbishop George Augustus Stallings, asking "Are we the CHOSEN people - or the FROZEN people?" "How many ribs did God use from Adam to make a woman? Five ribs? Four ribs? No! One rib! That means - No spare ribs!!" The crowd went wild, even the many Muslim women wearing their beautiful head scarves were standing on their feet cheering him on. What a wonderful, inspirational, soul-stirring way to prepare everyone for our True Parents special message that was still yet to come.

After the inspirational video presentation, "One Family Under God," our keynote speaker was introduced. Yeon Ah Nim's impressive educational bio, and the fact that she is married to our True Parents' eldest son, Hyo Jin Nim and has six children was more than enough to bring the audience to rousing applause. Then when she smiled, they melted. Her opening line? In a smooth voice she said, "Fasten your seat belts!" and she completely had their hearts. Her bearing was royal, and it was clear she was on a mission representing our True Parents' heart in Alabama. She touched their souls and had their respect.

June 2, 2007 - Louisville, Kentucky

Upon Yeon Ah Nim's arrival in Louisville, KY, she asked to drive straight to the holy ground. I was asked to offer a prayer, and then Yeon Ah Nim read "A Providential View of the Pacific Rim Era in Light of God's Will-The United States and the Future Direction of the United Nations and the World." Following the reading, Yeon Ah Nim asked Rev. Kim to close in prayer.

Later, at 4:30, Rev. James Elliott proudly opened the doors to New Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church to welcome guests from nine nations. Featured in the Prelude was a performance by the Kentucky WAIT Team followed by the Louisville Peace Singers, a combination of choir members from both New Jerusalem and King Solomon Missionary Baptist Church. They lifted the spirit and our hearts with gospel music and then Rev. Elliott, ogave us his heartfelt welcome. The invocation prayers were given by Minister Gerald Muhammad (Nation of Islam) representing Islam and Rev. Wanda McIntyre (King Solomon) representing Christianity. From here Rev. Peter Hayes of Kentucky American Family Coalition presented the Core Values PowerPoint for Ambassadors for Peace. Next was the Burning Ceremony with three sister representatives. People were particularly moved as their original minds could grasp the internal significance.

Rev. James Tutt and Laverne Tutt were the representative couple during the Holy Nectar Ceremony. Rev. Tutt is the Pastor of Tutt Caldwell Memorial AME Church. Then Archbishop Stallings gave a rousing spiritual message that brought our guests to their feet as they were astonished by his power and authority. Rev. Michael Lamson, our District Director, introduced Yeon Ah Nim. It was obvious that our guests and clergy felt a person-

al connection to her as her delivery of Father's words embraced our hearts. After the flower and gift presentation and signing of the Peace Declaration, five Ambassadors for Peace were appointed.

Bishop Dennis Lyons, Pastor of the Gospel Missionary Church, co-chairman of Kentucky ACLC and member of the ACLC National Executive Board closed out the program with the benediction and song. Following the program there was a reception of women leaders for Yeon Ah Nim, and refreshments were served.

June 3, 2007 - Milwaukee, WI

The program prelude was launched by Rev. Bruce Sutchar with the soulful gospel music of ACLC Co-Convener Bishop Joseph Fox's International Choir. From the choir's opening verses, the heart and spirit of the evening came to life! Mr. Scott Quinn read a moving testimony from James Madison, the 4th President of the United States, proclaiming that "all people of America must follow the teachings in the Unification Thought and Divine Principle of Rev. Sun Myung Moon, who is the returning Lord in this age and the Messiah."

The main program was led by Rev. Marian North, Director of the FFWPU in Wisconsin. She warmly and confidently greeted the gathering. "This is very much the era of women, because Heavenly Father is not just Father, but also Heavenly Mother. However, women must not lead alone - we must join together with men of faith



to carry out God's work."

The delicious banquet meal was supported by the background music of Minister Ray Figueroa of Chicago and his One Heart Band. Mrs. Kazumi Murray presented a powerful rendition of the gospel classic, "Order My Steps" which inspired the interfaith audience. On that foundation, Archbishop Stallings delivered a rousing oration while humbly conveying his gratitude to be participating in the tour on behalf of Father and Mother Moon, the cosmic King and Queen of Peace. "We're all God's children. This is God's time and we shall become one family under God - Aju!", he proclaimed. "We've got to be restored, so that we can be Chosen People, not Frozen People." He expressed that we must forgive our enemy, whether we like it or not. "We were born in the 21st century for such a time as this. The Kingdom of Heaven is what we must build. It's time to put up or shut up, stand on the wall and blow the trumpet and shout and find our way back to the Garden of Eden."

Yeon Ah Nim was introduced by Rev. David Rendel, Director of the Chicago District. She greeted the audience with a simple and humble heart and then deliv-

ered the Pacific Rim Message with incredible conviction and clarity. "The path is now wide open for humanity to find and establish true families. The family sets the pattern for living together in harmony. There is nothing we cannot do if we pull together centering on God's ideal for peace! The future of humanity is in our hands." The message ended with a standing ovation. Women representatives came



to the stage to present flowers and a gift to Yeon Ah Nim. She glowed and gave each woman a hug as they posed for pictures and then proceeded to sign the special Peace Declaration. She remained on the stage to personally congratulate each of the newly-appointed Ambassadors for Peace and the recipients of the Family Church of Peace Flag.

Yeon Ah Nim's unique and remarkable expression of God's "hope, harmony and healing" went into full swing! She approached every guest with a hug and sincere appreciation for their attendance.

One by one, she captivated everyone's heart and transformed the room with the Holy Spirit. Lines formed to greet her with requests for her signature in the message booklet. Men and women, young and old all shared in these glorious encounters which ended only after all the participants had been blessed.

Yeon Ah Nim's mission continued as she further blessed FFWPU members and the family of Bishop Aaron Woods during the celebration gathering in her suite after the program. Inspiring entertainment was presented (including a beautiful gospel song from Bishop Woods' son) and then personal pictures were taken with Yeon Ah Nim of everyone in attendance. She called forward every married couple and asked each husband and wife to first share a kiss as a condition for the picture! "Please remember that the family is most important to God", she shared. "Love and support your husbands, wives and children so that we can heal God's heart and all can go to Heaven." She ended the celebration by signing a message book for every family in attendance as well as others who invested in the program, personally writing their family name on each book.

June 4, 2007 - Atlanta, Georgia

Archbishop Stallings rocked the Atlanta Family Church on Monday, June 4, 2007. He had the audience on their feet, shouting praises to God. Some were even dancing. His powerful testimony about the work and mission of the Reverend Sun Myung Moon prepared the way for Mrs. Yeon Ah Choi Moon's heartfelt message about the role of women in establishing a world of peace and about America's responsibility to

other nations around the globe.

"The vision of Rev. Moon of coming together in unity is awesome," said Rev. Larry. "I am ready to go to work. Reverend Moon is right on the mark about family unity. I come from a tight-knit family - it's important. America is falling apart because of the breakdown of the family."

Henry, a Southern Baptist pastor, said, "A great truth was revealed tonight. Deliverance took place here. People were liberated. We saw the formation of people coming together beyond race, ethnicity, religion and culture. This blending of humankind reminds me of the force and beauty of the ocean. We saw the revealing of the will and purpose of God. This was a great session. This movement has strengthened me, and tonight I received a confirmation."

Two weeks before the event, during an ACLC prayer breakfast, Pastor Mary Walker of the Emmanuel Tabernacle Christian Church of Marietta, Georgia, had a revelation. The Spirit told her that she should cater the reception before the World Peace Tour event free of charge. Her generous contribution and hospitality added the wonderful atmosphere at the Atlanta Family Church.

The Master of Ceremonies for the program was Rev. Tom Cutts, the District Chairman of the Universal Peace Federation. The evening began with a song of praise from the Angelic Voices of Triumph directed by Angelica Brooks of the Triumph the Church and Kingdom of God in Christ, Ellenwood, Georgia.

Elder Rena Marroquin of the Covenant Presbyterian Church, Atlanta, then led the congregation in a prayer of invocation. She read a passage from the 139th Psalm, which celebrated the beauty of the people of God worshipping together. Her message was so appropriate because the multiracial audience included Baptist pastors, a Catholic archbishop and other lay clergy, several Presbyterian ministers, Pentecostal preachers, and even five Laotian Buddhist monks in their saffron robes.

June 6, 2007 - Winston-Salem, NC

Combining the Word with some soul-moving music, and the historical differences in our diverse group of attendees and speakers grew into a love where opposites attract. We had a packed house with several hundred people attending our "One Family Under God" program.

The music group of Iglesia Wesleyana Christiana ushered in God's presence; their pastor, Rev. Fermin Bocanegra, in high spirit gave the Welcome and Benediction. Rev. Cathryn Teer, District #6 Coordinator, served as Mistress of Ceremonies. Minister Willie Muhammad, Mosque # 92, gave the Invocation with Minister Mikal and Debra Muhammad, Mosque # 56, representing couples in the Blessing of Marriage.

The Ambassadors for Peace values and video presentation were presented by Rev. John Pace; Mrs. Sharon Pace, UPF State Coordinator, made the Ambassadors for Peace appointments. There were a total of 12 new Ambassador for Peace appointed. The musical selections rendered by Evangelist Carlotta Fleming affirmed our hope while Archbishop George A. Stallings challenged our theological perspective to

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UB First In U.S. To Offer Martial-Arts Degree

Preparing for exams, some University of Bridgeport students passed around square boards, padded vests and helmets.

Paired off in the university dojo, sparring students landed bone-jolting kicks before moving on to a board-breaking test. One student failed in three tries to split an inch-thick slab held about 5 feet high. Another tried to kick through two boards held at different levels. He broke the lower board twice but couldn't crack the upper.

Professor Yongbom Kim slowed down the student and urged him to concentrate. "Last chance," Kim said before the student's third try.

Splat! Splat! The class cheered, then sat silently while Kim prepared to announce grades.

For these young people, tae kwon do

is not an easy elective or physical-education credit. They are national pioneers, pursuing the only bachelor's degree in martial-arts studies available in the U.S.

The program mixes practical lessons in tae kwon do, tai chi and karate with studies of the cultures behind these forms of self-defense and spiritual growth.

Since the university launched the major in 2005, interest has steadily increased, and department leaders say that trend likely will continue.

Faculty members, however, are quick to counter perceptions that they're handing out college degrees for bar-room fighting or bully beating. Although physical training is a big part of the

program, students also must absorb a liberal-arts curriculum that includes the psychology of martial arts and the history of fighting skills developed in China, Korea and Japan.

"We're trying to raise the level of consciousness about what the martial arts really represent," said Mark K. Setton, a professor of world religions who is chairman of the martial-arts studies program.

In South Korea, more than a dozen colleges offer martial-arts degrees, but Connecticut's Board of Governors for Higher Education called the University of Bridgeport's program the only one of its kind in the Western world.



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"think outside the box," preaching the Divine Principle in a way that attracted everyone's focus and attention. Rev. Michael Lamson, District Director # 6, introduced our Keynote Speaker, Mrs. Yeon Ah Choi Moon, who received hearty applause through her reading. She was presented flowers by Ms. Danila Hutcherson and a large trophy by Mrs. Margaret Bocanegra and Ms. Kelly Muhammad.

The Welcome Committee was acknowledgement, with 60 Women of Destiny Certificates awarded. Family Church Peace Flags were presented by Rev. Burgi Hutcherson, North Carolina state leader and ACLC Co Chairman, with the assistance

from Rev. Michael Lamson. The musicians, singers and audience joined the Christ Rescue Temple Choir, with Bishop W. Davis, Jr., pastor, in the finale singing and dancing to "Oh Happy Day".

June 7, 2007 - West Virginia

It was the first time West Virginia hosted the True Family other than True Father and True Mother, who came on previous 50-state speaking tours. This event was held at Reverend James D. Ealy's church in Charleston, West Virginia. Rev. James Ealy commented: "I was very impressed by Archbishop Stallings and I am planning to use some of his inspiring words in my sermons and will keep in touch with him."

We received a welcome letter from the governor, who praised us for coming together

under the banner of universal peace and wished us glad tidings and a successful gathering. The event was attended by a former mayor and school board member.

There were over one hundred people in attendance. Five people were appointed as Ambassadors for Peace. Reverend Linda Duncan, who is the assistant pastor to Reverend Ealy, offered the flowers to Yeon Ah Nim, who embraced her warmly. Yeon Ah Nim led the signing of the Woman's Declaration for Peace, followed by Rev. Linda Duncan, and Rev. Claudette Kambara. In conclusion, the New Covenant Mass choir sang "Oh Happy Day".

June 8, 2007 - Philadelphia, PA

The historical First African Baptist Church was the site of our World Tour event on June 8, 2007, featuring Yeon Ah Nim as the keynote speaker. Yeon Ah Nim was graceful and powerful in her presentation. She spoke eloquently and attended to all the members, guests and staff of the church. She patiently took pictures with each one of the guests and showed so much concern and love towards all in attendance. Other speakers included Rev. Jesse Edwards, Rev. Terrence Griffith, and Rev. Vanessa Owens. Rev. Barry Geller served as the Master of Ceremonies.

Rev. Vanessa Owens commented: "This young lady is a bright star... she knows how to work a crowd and because of that she will impact this movement."

Attending the event were almost 300 guests from as far as Harrisburg, Scranton and Wilkes Barre. We had 40 women confirmed to attend the event as members of the Hosting Committee for the tour. We also appointed 21 new Ambassadors for Peace.

Rev. Edwards commented that he felt this event was one of the best he attended. He was pleased with the attendees' response to the program. He is hopeful to start a strong movement in Philadelphia and expressed his desire to focus his energy here in our state.

June 8, 2007 - Wilmington, DE

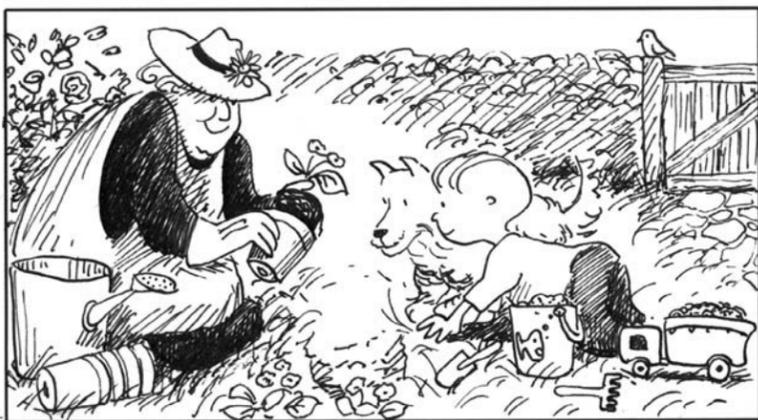
On June 8, 2007 Wilmington, Delaware, welcomed Mrs. Yeon Ah Choi Moon to the Downtown Doubletree Hotel in the heart of this historic city. Wilmington is the first state of the Union and also the first state to incorporate an African American church, back in 1809. The current pastor of that church was in attendance at this event. He also became an Ambassador for Peace.

The event was a lunch banquet that was well attended to hear Mrs. Moon's speech. In addition to our keynote speaker, we were entertained by the beautiful voice of Ms. Melba Moore, who sang "Lift Every Voice and Sing". Many of Wilmington's religious leaders were present. The Governor, Mayor and Senator all sent proclamations and letters recognizing this day and this important event. Rev. Dr. Michael Jenkins did an outstanding job as our MC, and Rev. Jesse Edwards gave an inspiring talk and introduction to Yeon Ah Nim. Dr. Chang Shik Yang presented the Ambassador for Peace appointments and delivered a brief welcome address. ❖

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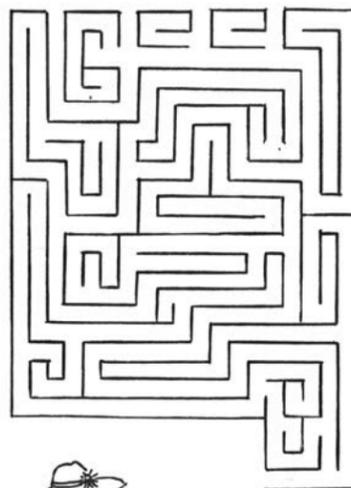
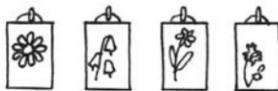
FOR KIDS

by Françoise



Find the seven differences between these two drawings of planting a new flower garden

seeds:



Help them find the seeds

Hoon Dok Hae with True Parents, the Personal Side

by Pam Moffatt

We arrived in Tarrytown the evening before HDH as I can no longer see well to drive in the dark. The morning of HDH with Parents, our youngest son had to be back in Glastonbury, CT -- a good two to three hours away (depending on traffic) -- to attend a field trip. Michael brought up over dinner that Jacob should be asked to sacrifice his field trip as this was such an important event. I suggested he be the one to tell Jacob as I am usually the spiritual heavy-weight. Jacob asked for some time to think about it, and then said he didn't mind. Not bad for a ten-year old who had carefully packed his book bag for school and a lunch for the field trip before we left Glastonbury.

We rose at 3 a.m. to arrive at East Garden by four to four-thirty and were not disappointed as the gates were wide open as the gate watchman and other brothers buoyantly guiding us toward parking with brightly lit batons as though it were mid-day and they'd been up for hours. Along the lighted path several familiar specters passed us in the dark as we made our way down the series of lighted steps to the shoe racks and into the building. In the bathroom, a sister with a German accent repeatedly chirruped how great it was to see so many Americans.

There was still room at the front, but the room was filling quickly. Alexa Ward was tucked into the back by the piano in the 'Holy Spirit' corner. We four nestled down in back, too, (Dr. Ang was ageless and Buddhicly in place with radio lovingly arranged by his wife, Betsy) as I had planned to be prepared to leave by 6 to get Jacob to his field trip bus--his being willing to make the offering was good enough for me, but Michael wanted me to be prepared to stay for the duration. So when the call came for brothers to take five steps to the back and sisters come to the front, I went forward. Brothers were asked to move back several times more to allow sisters to be up front. After lining up the rose, hands on shoulders of the person in front several times, five o'clock approached.

During preparation time, it was announced to check radios to have the right channel. I had not brought any radios and so I prepared to just listen with my heart for what I could understand and hoped the boys and spouse could endure. Everyone was busily adjusted the channels, raising hands to show they could hear the 'testing' discourse in English and Japanese. It was announced that HDH would only extend for one hour today as Father wanted to see the soccer match between Korea and China. (A miracle, I thought to myself, for our family situation.)

Parents entered, we all did a full kyung bae and said pledge in Korean. Father looked fit and older in his face, his mouth ever expressive with determination and flexibility at the same time. Michael Jenkins had everyone raise hands that did not have a radio I thought we would be lashed for incompetence. Instead, he asked that people share radios. To my amazement, a lovely little Japanese radio & head phones was offered to me by the sister beside me. There was some organizing bustle, I searched for English finding some hard rock n' roll,

then a French station, then, in slight dismay, put the dial in a space that was silent. But as Dr. Yang began to pray, a thin female voice softly translated through the headphones in... English. I could not hear for the volume was turned down, but it would

et. Father was not wearing his glasses and looked more casual. Parents closed eyes now a firm vision in my mind to not think harshly of my beloved or children when I spy their eyes closed during sacred readings.



During HDH, Father commented intermittently, gesturing at times with a small, delicate yellow flower dangling on a long stem (daylily or Peruvian?) and then with a copy of the Divine Principle which he used to thwap a couple of sisters on the head before having a chair brought out in the middle of the sisters whence to watch the soccer game around six-thirty.

After he was settled in his seat, there was still a bit of hub-bub, and Jacob came up to me discreetly beseeching -- I thanked the sister for the radio, returning it, bowed and made my way to an open door. Alex, our eldest, lifted up spouse Michael from the floor and we departed. The sun shone between patches of shade from the trees as we wended through Tarrytown, eastward on 287 and

have made no difference. I was overwhelmed with tears as the spirit of God embraced us all through Dr. Yang's prayer. He loves America so much.

Afterward, we sat down and I turned up the volume to hear the translation of the HDH reading which was primarily on Pledge #5 -- the family advancing the unity of the spirit world and physical world as subject and object partners.

At first, both Mother and Father kept their eyes closed, like meditating as HDH was being read. Mother was wearing her glasses and a white jack-

northbound on the Merritt Parkway. Our teenager chuckled ebulliently at the women 90, men 100 soccer scores mentioned by Father. These guys do so love to overthrow matriarchy! The minutes hummed along easily into hours, but with fifteen minutes to spare, we arrived at Jacob's school so he could attend the field trip.

Thank you Heavenly Father and True Parents for all you have done to save our World! ❖

The Deviation and Restoration of the Human Race

by Theodore Verheven

Teddy Verheven was sent as a lone missionary in 1965 from Los Angeles to Holland (his country of birth), by the leader of the Unified Family, Reverend Sun Myung Moon.

This writing not only explains the purification and development of the inner personality (moral and intellectual), but also the unfoldment of the innermost spark, by awakening and feeding the growing soul with the Love and Truth of God.

For more detail, go to: "The Deviation and Restoration of the Human Race" on AtlasBooks.com - "Category" Biblical Studies or Body, Mind, Spirit. See Summary and Testimony and click on "excerpt" for Foreward and 10 pages of Table of Contents.

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First UTS students reunited after 30 Years

by Gillian Corcoran, Photos by Chung Hee Bessell & Lloyd Eby

On Saturday May 19th, many members from the first graduating class returned to UTS to celebrate their 30th anniversary. In addition to the reunion dinner on Saturday evening, activities on Sunday included an early morning walk on Father's Trail, a Memorial Service for deceased class members Lokesh Mazumdar and Daikon Ohnuki, and a breakfast with President Hendricks. It was a beautiful experience with everyone sharing about the past years, which is a landmark to the establishment of a new tradition that future 30th anniversary celebrants will be able to build upon.

Love lives on for the Class of '77 "It was like a dream, a taste of heaven," these heartfelt words spoken by Takashige Sakozono described his experience of the Class of '77 30th Reunion held at UTS over graduation weekend, May 19th and 20th. Bento Leal



expressed it this way: " it was a truly marvelous, excellent, stupendous time we shared together this weekend! It went way beyond what I had imagined and hoped for.

To see brothers and sisters, many of whom I hadn't seen for years, even since our graduation 30 years ago, was truly, truly special. And to also feel deep inside how that class, along with the professors and support staff, are really a "family", no matter what paths or "callings" we each pursued since graduation—some closer to our founders and the movement, and some now more distant—that regardless, when we see each other face to face, and look inside those now wrinkled eyes, and see the graying hair and paunchy tummies, we see the same twinkle and specialness of each person and what they mean to us as when we

last saw them so many years ago. And also to think that for many of us, that 21-month experience (Sept. 1975 to June 1977) occurred at such a significant crossroads and seminal time of our lives, not only within the church, but in general, it truly is phenomenal. We shared something very special, and we realize we are bound together in heart for eternity.

Let's keep this reunion thing going! As I mentioned at the dinner, I feel the 2 years at UTS were the "academic" preparation training, the next 30 years have been the "practical" put-it-to-use training, and this weekend was another "graduation ceremony" to launch us into that next productive phase of our lives in service to the world, for we are now that very age Father



was when he commissioned us way back in 1977. We're at the starting line one more time, and now off and running! I feel young!

Yanni and Jaime Maniatis expressed their gratitude for the event by saying, "There was magic in the air as we "saw" each other again for the first time! It was a very special event. It will remain in our hearts for a very long time." ❖



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Performs in North Korea

by

My third visit and second performance in Pyongyang, North Korea took place from February 9 to 20, 2007. My primary motivation behind these trips to North Korea is simply to bring love to their people and to testify to God through my singing and my attitude.

I was touched that the Pyongyang concert organizers considered me to be a famous star due to my success last year, when my show was broadcast throughout the whole country. As a result, this time they included me on the program twice, first as the opening act and then just before the grand finale.

I was accompanied by the same musicians as last year, the orchestra of the Pyongyang National University of Music. Our

relationship with the President of the University and the professors became much closer this time. Altogether, there were three concerts. I was honored to sing an encore all three nights. The concerts, I am grateful to report, were highly successful.

I believe it my mission to bring a mother's love to North Korea. I can give love through my singing and milk through my gifts. Interestingly enough, the North Korean people do not like to be referred to as poor, even though that is an obvious fact. They have such a strong pride in their country. After researching the



most appropriate gifts, I chose to bring strings for their violins, violas, cellos, and basses. I hoped this would show my admiration for the artistic endeavors of their people. For the general public, I brought an ample supply of woolen caps, leather gloves, and knapsacks. They were thrilled to receive them. I would like to say thank you to IRFF for providing the funds for these special gifts.

On this trip a seemingly miraculous event occurred. I was able to sing at a Christian church in Pyongyang! Even though North Korea is a communist country, many people there still continue to believe in God and in Jesus. They conduct service in their homes secretly, much like our home church. In 1987, the government built this particular church where believers are now able to attend. One Korean minister from Los Angeles invited me to this church, where I sang "To God Be the Glory" both in Korean and in English.

I sang this dramatic song with all my heart and soul, hoping to bring God and True Parent's spirit to them. Afterwards, many people came to me, crying and saying that they had been deeply touched. The minister said that he would love to have me come back to sing for his church in the future.

Throughout all my visits to North Korea, various opportunities have



been given to me which have allowed me to develop not only my singing skills but also my heart. For example, one blessing given to me was that they had recognized my talent and featured it at a national level concert. I felt so loved

and valued by their trust that it gave me great courage and confidence.

The North Korean songs they requested were extremely demanding, nearly impossible to sing well. As I began to practice them, I felt great trepidation and worry that I might make a mistake. On the night of the performance, I literally felt ready to die in order to sing satisfactorily for my audience. Through what felt like a life and death experience, I was able to break through in a way that I have never been able to before. Through singing these challenging North Korean songs, my vocal skills have also developed considerably.

When I felt the warm heart of the Pyongyang people towards me, I realized that the North Korean people are doing the hardest thing by embracing a performer from their enemy country, Japan. I felt their forgiveness. Rev. Moon has taught us that we must love our enemy. One way to do this is to find the good within them. In North Korea, I learned that discovering the good in our enemy is the first step in true reconciliation. This whole experience has taught me a key point on how we can help bring unity between North and South Korea. I also believe that their resentment is healed little by little each time I visit. Therefore, I would like to visit North Korea regularly in the future, to love and to be forgiven.

After all these experiences, I have come to appreciate how much help I have received from North Korea, especially since it is where Rev. and Mrs. Moon were born.

Recently, on March 29, I had the great privilege of highlighting a concert at the United Nations, sponsored by an NGO called "Whang Sue" group. It was quite successful. The president of this

organization is also in charge of the peace concert in Central Park on September 22. She would like to feature me not only at this upcoming concert but also at another concert in South America later this year.

I am also going to perform 'Halelu' recently recorded by David D'Or and David Eaton and myself in Israel, at Belgrade in Serbia on May 19. I hope the success of this concert will be able to bring greater peace in this part of the world.

My deepest desire is to "building bridges through song". I feel this is my mission. I have noticed that, as soon as one mission is finished, such as in North Korea, in Israel, or at the UN, God presents me with the next one. Each providence is connected, guiding us to our final goal: the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth. ❖



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The Rev. Sun Myung Moon

By Clair Hoover

Clair is 21 years old. She is a junior music education/voice major at Ithaca College and has been involved with the arts festival for 5 years.

The BC arts fest was started by Akina Toffey and myself in 2003. We hoped to create an opportunity for BC's to showcase their work as well as develop a community of artists who could explore the role of arts in developing a Culture of Heart. The Arts Fest consisted of a weekend workshop with presentations primarily by first gen, breakout discussion sessions and a Saturday night Entertainment night where people could perform and display artwork. The first three years pretty much followed that format, with presenters such as Milon Townsend, Gerry Servito, David Eaton, Kate Tsubata, and Josiah Longo.

Last Summer we made the effort to change both the name and the format of the festival, changing from BC Arts Festival, which was only meant as a working name to Tessera Arts Festival. A Tessera is a piece of tile used to create a mosaic, proffering the somewhat obvious metaphor of the importance of individual beauty contributing to something bigger. We felt this name could encompass better the heart of the arts festival, and also opening it up to more than just "BC's" and more to contentious and like-minded artists.

Tessera is organized by a board of 6 people, Myself, Tymon Brown, Abigail Sayre, Gabriel Bercy, Laurel Halsey, and Chris Alan Derflinger. We don't really have any funding, we work primarily off of

donations of people's time and fund raisers such as T-shirt sales. We are continuing to sell T-shirts and soon a DVD/live CD as fundraisers. We also are trying to have smaller functions during the year, such as a national "busking day" as a fund and awareness raiser, as well as hopefully open-mic nights.

We also tried a new format and location, changing to 5 days, smaller population, and more of a focus on creating art, developing skills and working in



Daniel Omata mixing beats for the crowd on his MAC

specific areas of interest. We have decided to try and divide the Arts Festival into 2 main components, the "EXPO" which is what this past weekend (June 16-17) was, focusing on providing an opportunity for showcasing, networking and collaboratively creating a show. The other half is slated to take place in early January of 2008, with the same format as last summer - 5-6 days, with a focus on creation, developing skills, and content. I am mostly speaking about the Festivals

that I have had direct contact with, but there have also been Arts Festivals in California- headed up by Akina Toffey and in Alabama headed up by Brinda

Some of the people who displayed artwork at this years June Tessera Arts Fest were:

Eileen Savage (who was also visual art coordinator for the EXPO), Shannon Forringer, Gwen Hoover, Aika Watanabe, Youngsun Compton, Nils Hoover, Laurene Morton, and Junko Takahashi.

There were Performances by: Tymmy and the Victories, Din of Mechanical Whales, Flying Tigers, AEAEAE, Tangerine Submarine, The Sweet Nothing Music Collective, Kaeleigh Fefferman, Michele Burton, Ed Rurup and Yofred Moik, Hye-Chun Gehring, Rayko Presky, and Kolson Pickard.

There were also films shown by: Nils Hoover, Zaneta Clarke, HK, and Omata Onoda showed the much anticipated " Doors of Denis."

The Arts Festival wants to provide Second Generation with a fresh view of art in our movement. We want to appreciate and encourage the talents of Blessed Children for the sake of the providence.

Any questions or comments are welcome.

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Manae Pisano: Faith, Volunteering Abroad to Build Character

By HOWARD BUCK, Columbian Staff Writer

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Success at school didn't come early for Manae Pisano, first child of an Italian father and Japanese mother, neither fluent in English. Speaking broken English at home and pulled from class for extra tutoring, she eventually dove deep into a private cocoon of reading. Hours alone with favorite novels raised her language skills sharply as she finished middle school.

When Manae emerged in high school, her view of the world and her place in it would dramatically shift.

It was time to assert herself, to push past obstacles, she decided. At Heritage

High School, she found teachers who inspired her and demanded excellence, and she thrived. She took Advanced Placement courses, served as the wrestling team manager and found part-time work.



Manae Pisano often relaxes at home by playing classical electric guitar. She taught herself to play in about two years. (Dave Olson/The Columbian)

She also would fully embrace her family's faith. Members of the Unification Church, her parents had been married by the Rev. Sun Myung Moon in a

ceremony. They, Manae and her four younger sisters remain devout.

Manae views her religion as stepping out of one's self to serve others, bringing purpose to life. A watershed came when she helped fix battered Dominican Republic schools. Travel and community service are her new focus, pushing back for one year plans to study medicine in college.

"I wanted to develop my character, who I am, my faith, who I want to be," she says. After a summer of service in South Korea, she'll join a youth leadership and stewardship program, the Seattle-based NexGen Academy, for work in Africa and Asia.

Friends and classmates who know her heart don't question her faith, Manae says. "I'm very bold about my beliefs. I'm not going to stand down."



THE NEW VOICES OF OUR GENERATION

Questions to Ponder About Education

by Dan Fernelius

Dan Fernelius joined the church in 1974 in Ames, Iowa at Iowa State University and trained in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He was a CARP rep at ISU from 1987 to 1991 while getting his BS degree there. He was blessed to Ikuyo Tokitsu (6000 couples) who met the church in Japan in 1963 while in high school. They went to the 30,000 couples blessing together in 1992. He has one daughter from before the church, Violet, age 37, and one grandson, Warren, age 7. Currently, he lives with his wife, Ikuyo, in Phoenix, Arizona and their dog, Happy, and cat, Prinnie. He is the bookkeeper for the Phoenix Family Church. He currently works full-time for Wal-mart in the deli.

The following is a commentary stimulated by an article on home schooling.

I have been working in the schools lately and it made me face certain important issues regarding education. In April and May of 2006 I was a substitute teacher mainly in Maryville, Arizona and in Glendale, Arizona, just north of Maryville, where I taught a little in almost every grade K-12. This gave me a wide variety of experiences initially. I taught in public, private and charter schools. In September I worked as a 7th grade math teacher for one quarter and then as an elementary school health aide for two quarters in a predominantly Hispanic area just west of central Phoenix, Arizona. As a math teacher I was enrolled in the alternate path to certification program for that one quarter in August and September of 2006 through Rio Salado College.

I had to face many challenges as a new teacher, but the ones that challenged me most were administering discipline and classroom management. As I worked in my classroom every day many questions began to pop into my mind about education. When taking a dominant role as a disciplinarian,

where does one draw the line between discipline and abuse? If I use too little discipline then the class runs amuck and turns into a club house for the students, but if I go over the top in my discipline method then it seems more like abuse of the students. So I found myself asking where is the right mix so that I am not too easy or too hard on the students.

In another setting I was a senior adult, who was a teacher's health aide, who had to work under a new teacher who was a young adult woman. She was under pressure to get a program in order for grade 6-8 special education students and I was to assist mainly with attendant care (toileting, feeding, exercises, and activities) for mainly one male student who was wheel-chair bound. In her attempts to train me she felt she had to be stern to try to communicate to me what needed to be done for me to perform my job properly. This time I faced the question of what is the difference between real and perceived abuse. Was I being mistreated or did I just think I was? Either way the feeling one gets of discomfort is about the same. Eventually I handled the situation by resigning for health reasons since I have difficulty with a recurring sleeping disorder and I am limited in my capacity to do patient transfers.

Another question that loomed big in my mind was how to sort out acceptable and not acceptable sub cultural behaviors? For example, my students really liked lettering as art which is often considered the art form of calligraphy. Unfortunately I found out there are many negative undertones associated with student lettering art because it is the graffiti that gangs use to communicate crime messages and so I learned that pretty much in general any kind of lettering was bad because of its association with gang culture. This was a real eye opener to me because I could also see a lot of artistic talent displayed by my

students as they proudly showed me their "taboo" lettering artwork, some of which I thought was quite good and creative. Then things eventually got out of hand when gang symbols started being written on my classroom desks with sharpie pens. So I felt very disturbed by how many good and bad elements of youth culture can be so intertwined and difficult to sort out.

Another big question I faced was the role educators have to play constantly testing, evaluating and training almost to the point of too much. To me education is first of all a quality and difficult often to measure by quantities. It seems sad to me that teachers who dedicated their lives for decades have to be checked by a system that may not let them pass their evaluation to continue as a teacher. Measurable standards are necessary but how much testing and checking and training and evaluating is too much?

A very important question I faced also is are schools teaching or are they being used to replace what the parents are supposed to be doing to raise their kids and are the schools sometimes just being used as giant babysitters? I like to think of the schools and parents as a large form of extended family working together to educate children, not just academically but also learning cultural pride and character education as well. However as our culture grows in a lop sided fashion today there are many single parent or both parents are working families that look to the schools for a greater role in raising their children. Also as technology moves along at such a rapid rate many of our students now carry "video" cell phones in their back packs. We need to address the technological advances that are readily accessible to today's students as well and design education to keep up with the modern world our students live in both technologically and sub culturally. Yours in being the best we can be.

A Message from the Assistant Editor

The New Voices of Our Generation has now been running successfully for over a year and the editors at UNEWS would like to thank all those who have contributed an article to this section.

Spread the word, communicate, and link yourself to the rest of America by subscribing to the paper and submitting your voice at newvog@gmail.com for this section. 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!**

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Curriculum Mini-Grant Program

The **Center for Education** at UTS is announcing the Curriculum Mini-Grant Program .

The mini-grants program offers grants between \$500 - \$1,000 for the creation of professional curricula and teaching tools for the diverse age groups within the Unification movement. The Center for Education at UTS wishes to encourage the development and publication of effective and creative curricula or teaching tools that can be used throughout the country.

There is a tremendous need for effective curricula in each of the target age groups. Currently, some centers are using the national curriculum while others have simply done their best to teach Divine Principle or the Bible or a combination of the two. Then there are other church centers that are not doing any kind of educational program because they don't have any type of curriculum or outline from which to work. Therefore, we wish to encourage those with the desire, experience or means to develop curricula that can be used in: K-6 Sunday Schools , Youth Ministries, Young Adult Ministries and even Adult Ministries.

In addition, there is a need to create effective teaching tools such as games, activities, specialized felt board teaching tools, dramas and similar creative tools for use in each of these ministries. Have you designed a game or teaching tool that you have found to be effective? Why not professionalize it or expand it so that others can use it?

Those who wish to apply need to review the grant requirements and submit an application. go to www.centerforeducation.net for more Grant Information and details.

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THE NEW VOICES OF OUR GENERATION



Testimony of Second Gen Student at UTS



by Marlo Starr

June 19, 2006

Jin Kwon Kim is a well-known and loved elder brother in the New Jersey community, who has been attending UTS for the past two and a half years. Born in Brazil, he speaks conversational Portuguese, though he grew up in New Jersey from the age of three. A graduate from the Rhode Island School of Design's five-year program, he works as an architect, but his nights and weekends are committed to taking care of his younger brothers and sisters. He serves as coordinator for the upper class high school Sunday School and as an advisor to the New Jersey "WAIT" program. In addition, he organizes the youth program "Go!" every Saturday night.

Marlo Starr had the opportunity to discuss with Jin Kwon why he chose UTS, what he's gained so far, as well as the role of Second Generation in both the movement and in the world.

Marlo Starr: Why did you choose to go to UTS?

Jin Kwon Kim: To be honest, my parents wanted me to go. My parents were like, "Just take a class." And I was working full time, so I could only take one class... I started with a class in DP, and that was really interesting because I'd never fully engaged in the Principle, and I knew there was so much that I needed to learn. Then, I started taking classes that were a little more relevant or topical to what I'm going through right now. The class that I'm taking right now is called "Adolescents and Teens," which is geared toward understanding how teens work... so that I can be more effective.

MS: So, originally you went to UTS kind of reluctantly. Do you feel differently now?

JK: Totally. The classes I take are fascinating. It's essentially an opportunity to learn about the things that we've been, in a sense, force fed, and seeing the reasons why they were so compelling for our parents. It's pretty amazing actually to see how the things we talk about are actually relevant to our lives, which is something that's typically not understood.

It's helping me to understand myself better. It delves into the subjects or the topics that were background information that created all of us - the Divine Principle essentially. You get to see the framework... Instead, of seeing the final product, you get to see the steps along the way.

It's kind of like you see this nasty food that you don't want to try, but when you try it, it's delicious.

MS: You got involved in the community only pretty recently. What prompted you to take

a leadership role?

JK: I was never really engaged in anything in the church. For me, it wasn't an abnormal thing to be a little bit distant. Up until college, even up until a couple years ago, I placed much more emphasis on my friends. I had some really deep experiences, and I pretty much transformed my life... If you want to take responsibility for your life, it will happen. If you consistently are afraid to or don't want to face up, then you drag it out until you're dead. I was at a place in my life where I wanted to take responsibility. I think I'd just had enough. I wanted more, and I knew that if I wanted more, I'd have to take responsibility for that.

(UTS has) given me some insights that I would not have been able to get otherwise. It's very different from life in general. I mean you're studying theology, you're studying teaching methodologies - whatever it is that you're interested in. That's not something I come into contact with at all, anywhere, in work and in church. In that way, it totally opened a new door that I didn't really know existed before.

What UTS does is it takes the things you learn and it's much more focused, and it's concentrated. If you were trying to find those things in regular life or church, you would have to search much longer; it's more dilute. But at UTS, you get this experience where people have actually taken the time to accumulate all this knowledge into a semester. That's essentially what a textbook does; you don't have to live a hundred years to know what happened in those hundred years... It's a much more accelerated process.

MS: Do you feel like UTS is more for those who want to be church leaders?

JK: I think going to UTS is going to impact your life regardless of what you do. If you want to be comfortable with who you are, you should go to UTS. It'll give you a deeper understanding of who you are as a BC. Whether you like it or not, you're a BC, 'til the day you die. (laughing) If you want to feel comfortable in your own skin, you have to confront it at some point and time... A lot of my friends are totally in denial, they're perfect candidates... to go on a search to find out who they really are, and when they can get to that point, then UTS can be a vehicle through which they can come to a deeper understanding of that. So yes, I would say UTS would be for anyone even if you're not going to be a church leader. Like, I don't want to be a church leader.

As Second Generation we are meant to inherit the mission that our parents had... Another side is to alleviate God of His pain. Another thing is to take care of our younger brothers and sisters. Another thing is to take responsibility of our lives, and I think that's one major issue - not just BCs, but people of the world do not take responsibility for their lives. But when a BC understands his responsibility, that is such a gift. A BC

is representative of all humanity and when that BC can take full responsibility for his or her life, all humanity is represented in that. Because everyone here is meant to be in that position.

MS: If you could say in short what Second Gen. are supposed to do, I guess in a more substantial or practical sense, what do you think we're supposed to do for the world?

JK: Be representatives of True Parents. What I mean by that is that whatever it is that you decide to do, whether you become a dentist or you become a journalist or you become whatever it is that you are, take the ideals or the concepts or the values that True Parents are trying to put in place or what they're trying to create and then bring that to that field.

Each field has its own manifestation of God in it, but until that aspect of True Love, True Life, and True Lineage enters that field, that field will never realize its full potential; it'll be - not even a shadow of itself. It's only when that kind of stuff happens that each field, each thing that people do whether it be accounting, whether it be lawyering, whatever, the depths to which that can go becomes infinite. Literally, the possibilities just start to unfold and unravel... The world will be transformed.

We're not all meant to be state leaders. Our parents were meant to detach themselves, rip themselves out of their lives and give it all away, so that they could create this new lineage... Whereas they had to deny everything that they had, we should have a totally different mindset, a different approach to the way we do things. We're coming from a different direction, so we're supposed to enhance the things that they were repressing... If you can create from God's point of view, go with it, and it's going to be an amazing thing that you do too.

MS: Last question, what would you say is the most valuable thing you've gained from your experience at UTS?

JK: The realization that I know almost nothing. Because that has created and opened so many doors that I didn't even know existed. And that's a great thing. I don't even know what's hiding behind that door. There's doors that lead down certain paths that have potential to be untapped reserves of strength or knowledge that I have inside me that I didn't know about.





THE NEW VOICES OF OUR GENERATION

Should I Stay or Should I Go?

By Chris Breland

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The time has come for every current STF member to make a crucial decision: Should I stay, or should I go? Soon it will be necessary to decide whether to call it quits, or stay on for a 2nd or even 3rd year. It's an issue that can be a burden not only for the one making the decision, but also for those around that are giving you some advice on the subject. Being in the same situation some years back, I know it's not easy to decide whether to continue a life on the front-line or to face the real world that lies outside. But it's a very important choice, and should be taken to with some specific thoughts in mind. Here are some things you should think about, especially if you're thinking about telling your son or daughter to come back home:

You can't judge future performance with past experience.

It's true with a lot of things in life, and it is true here: Just because you've had a hard time doing the fundraising mission, doesn't

mean it's going to be even harder should you stay on for witnessing. Also, don't think that if you leave STF it will be the end to all your struggles. So many times, I've heard of people wanting to leave STF because it's simply too hard and they can't do it any longer. Well, I know it's hard to say this if you're a parent, but many of the struggles you face on the front line are similar to the ones you'll face when you're back home. It might not be the best solution to run away from your struggles. If there's any hope at all of gaining something more concrete and life-affirming during the 2nd year, I would go for it. After all, even if you learn nothing at all in another year of front-line work (which is not possible), at least you can know that you didn't give up too soon.

But you shouldn't assume things the other way, either. Just because you've had a phenomenal year in fundraising, doesn't mean all that success is going to shift straight over to the world of witnessing. I

know a lot of people who really struggled with their new mission, and not because they were external or fake during fundraising. Witnessing simply presents you with a whole new set of challenges, and it's hard for some people to adjust to it because they are confident that all their previous fundraising strategies will work. Everyone is taken back to zero, and the ones who adapt are able to make the most of the new challenges that witnessing can present. If you're thinking about staying another year, remember that.

2) College is always going to be an option.

I know for many of you, it's a hard decision when thinking about what college will be waiting for you should you decide to stay on. Especially for those of you with discounted tuitions and scholarships waiting for you, it can be almost impossible for you to stay longer than you have. But

that made my whole family proud. However, I was only allowed a year of deferment in order to attend there in the fall of 2003. At that time I was just finishing my first year of STF, and I was truly convinced that a second year was the way to go for me. So I decided to stay on. Cornell decided to hold on to my name, but they said there was nothing that could be done about the application and I would have to go through the whole process again next year. That was a sacrifice I was willing to make. During the course of my second year, I came across a very nice school that seemed right up my alley in terms of the career path I had settled for in my life. It was nestled in Philadelphia, and had all the history and respect that I could ask for of any educational institute. I decided to apply there, and they accepted me with no gimmicks, and offered me an incredible scholarship deal

that outweighed anything I could have gotten at Cornell! God surely does open doors, and if you're willing to do His work, He will be sure that you are settled in a place that will suit you best.

Go on with your life as you feel called to do so by God.

Nothing I can say can emphasize this point enough: If you don't consult God enough, any decision you make will be the wrong one. Regardless of what parents or

friends or central figures may say, God has a plan for you and you need to find out what that is... yourself. Once you feel sure about the decision you are going to make, don't let anyone else tell you otherwise. In your life of faith, there will be many decisions to make, and they will all be more challenging than the one presented to you now. So if you can learn to stick to your choice and live with the consequences, you'll be the better person for it. Please, I'm asking you, don't stay another year if your only reason is to "go with the flow". It's not going to turn out good for you, and you don't want to feel like you've wasted a whole year of your life because it was the popular thing to do. Really pray. Ask God what is the answer. And if you are earnest and sincere, He will be more than happy to help you through your choice.

Thanks for reading and good luck with the next chapter of your lives!!!



let me give you a piece of advice: If a college really wanted you to go there, why would they throw it all away because you're doing work for God and your church? Surely, an academic admissions advisor would review your situation and give you an extension if he or she saw that you were doing something that was helping to benefit your character. I doubt any institution would give you an ultimatum on when you had to start attending their school. If they did, I wouldn't feel right about being pressured into going to school there, even if it were a credible institution. There are lots of other places that will probably give you an education that's just as good, but with more flexibility.

As a case in point, I'd like to share my own experience with this dilemma. When I was finishing up my first year of STF, I had a ticket into Cornell University. It was a dream-come-true, one of my top picks for colleges and an Ivy-League school



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GLOBALISM

ECONOMIES

Much concern centers on manufacturing. Taiwan supplies most of the world's computer chips, under a host of brand names. Only a few nations build commercial airliners, and fewer still can launch satellites.

I've watched California neighborhoods transform, and fast. Factories close and railroad tracks are torn up, and the area is redeveloped into a shopping center—that sells household goods made in China. In the Silicon Valley, empty warehouses are being replaced by high-density housing.

How long can this trend continue? Won't a huge nationwide bill come due someday? The answer is complex and controversial.

For decades the John Birch Society warned about the USA's growing service economy: a "you lick my stamps and I'll do your laundry" system, in which no American actually makes anything.

But consider, who really benefits? China and other exporters are amassing (figuratively speaking) huge piles of fancy green paper, while the USA gets a lot of brand-new goodies. Sure, foreigners can buy up American assets, but it's difficult to haul away skyscrapers and shopping centers.

At least the USA is producing a lot of 'intellectual property,' such as software and entertainment, for which the world pays big money. However, those are easy to pirate, and Microsoft and Hollywood lose billions of dollars a year to cyber-criminals.

The whole argument assumes that 'manufacturing capability' is a static thing, like a hoard of gold bars. In reality, the 'service' and 'manufacturing' economies are fluid. Over the years they can and do shift, following clearly defined economic patterns.

When foreign suppliers don't follow our standards, as with the contaminated Chinese pet food scare, Americans react right away. In a typical response, China executed the man in charge of those contaminated exports! As of this writing, their leaders still appear clueless, like in assuring us their toothpaste is only slightly poisonous. The global free market will teach them a hard lesson.

Mexican billionaires are buying into major American industries, such as bakeries and cement production. They hire local workers, and must adhere to local standards. Unlike most Third World countries, simple bribery or patronage will not suffice.

New York's Tammany Hall is a thing of the past, and it's a tossup for Chicago's ward bosses. One motive of pro-illegal immigration politicians is, they hope to import Mexico's patronage system, since local Americans resist such things.

CULTURE

The world's cultures are slowly blending. Fashions from every society have become major fads. Everywhere in the world, with the stubborn exception of the Arab Middle East, westernized foods and music have become the norm.

Activists have protested against a homogenized "Mc" world. Indeed, your author is dismayed to see a gloriously advertised new shopping center open up, replacing yet another farm or orchard—and it's full of identical chain stores, the same as every other shopping center.

In response, some retailers and NGOs are promoting indigenous art forms. Thus one can find beautiful items, handmade in the Andes mountains or the Congo rain forest, on display together.

Oddly enough, many of those indigenous artisans began using western tools and materials long ago. Plastic musical instruments, steel tools, artificial dyes, etc., have already been incorporated.

That epitome of globalism, McDonald's, is sensitive to local cultures. For example, in the Middle East they sell lamb burgers; and in India their outlets are physically divided in half, into vegetarian and meat-eating sections.

The spread of western culture is almost complete. While Iran spews anti-American rhetoric, we see its leaders dressed in suit and tie, and speaking on color televisions. Far from a return to ancient Islam, their office of Ayatollah is less than 200 years old. It was the Shiite's answer to the Christian hierarchy. (They'll deny it, but read "What Went Wrong," by Bernard Lewis.)

Al-Jazeera TV hosts fiery Islamic preachers, who've borrowed their style from American televangelists. They've

sent their own children to American universities. The new chant might be, "Yankee Go Home! -- and Take Me With You!"

One North Korean refugee told of his entire worldview being shattered when, one day, the wind blew a ramen noodle wrapper across the DMZ. The South was actually rich enough to wrap each packet! (How about sending millions of party balloons, each with a noodle packet attached, floating over that benighted country?)

CHANGE

Change can be subtle, or coming roaring in like a freight train.

Even the smallest amount of globalism can make a huge difference. Recently I had lunch with two inventors who travel the world. One factor, when they assess the level of development in a remote village, is whether the people are utilizing plastic jugs. Another is, if they've got basic mechanized devices, such as scooters and single-row plows. Lacking such items, that area remains a part of the Fourth World, and locked into dismal poverty.

Electricity of any kind, much less reliable utilities (and then cell phone service), can lift an area into modernity. This is happening very quickly in parts of mainland China.

Cultural change often follows. Some hard-line nations are not the monoliths they're usually portrayed as. The youth of Iran are among the most pro-American people in the world. That nation could throw off the apocalyptic Hojjatieh Society, and rejoin the modern world, in a heartbeat.

In Saudi Arabia women are claiming more freedom, based upon their own ancient traditions. In Jiddah, women never wore the veil, and they've actually got the religious police to retreat!

Attempts to promote worldwide democracy have had mixed results. The USA and Europe, and their Right and Left wings, have different ideas on how to go about this, not to mention, what the end result should look like.

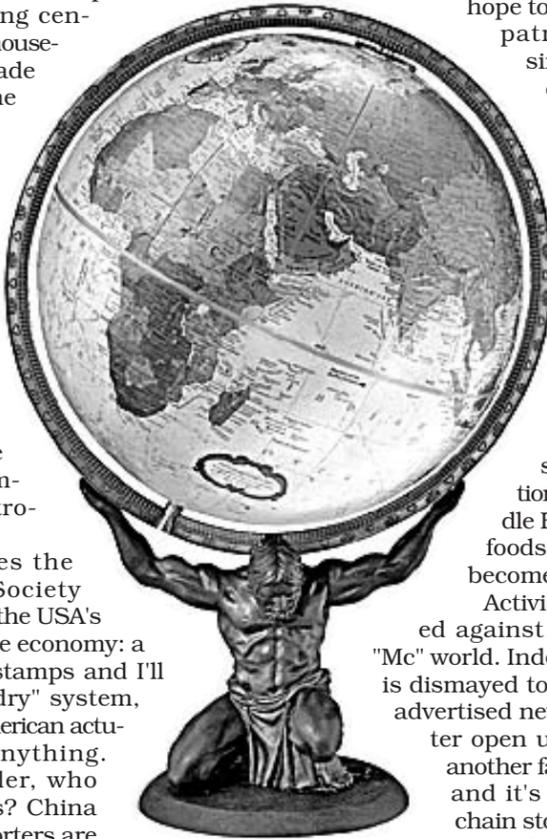
Well-informed leaders are a must, and a reliable followup is crucial. Money-throwing bureaucrats can try, while churches and NGOs do the real work. Americans will pour forth aid and instruction, but only when the locals demonstrate they're ready and willing to accept it. (Read "Mugged by Reality," by John Agresto)

CONCLUSION

Globalism can bring freedom, prosperity, and greater choices to people everywhere. If done in a God-centered way, people can gain this without ruining their cultures, or placing more greedy elites in power.

Sooner or later, the International Highway will knit the continents into a real Global Village. Then, more and more Exchange Blessings will populate this village with close relatives.

The world has better possibilities than ever before. ♦



This article is about Globalism. Many people view it as a high ideal, but others, as a dangerous concept. Some assume it's an inevitable future; while the far left and conservative right are both against it. Whether people like it or not, the world is rapidly knitting together.

TRADE

Globalism embraces trade, culture, and more.

In past years, overseas factories were slow to produce goods, and slower to get them to market. Quality was iffy, and low prices barely overcame Buy American preferences. Foods such as bananas and coffee were exceptions, if only because they can't be raised in a temperate climate.

Nowadays, factories in China will make items to order, and deliver those goods in less than a month. Your author has delivered customized shipments, already labeled for each specific retail outlet.

Food, oil, and ores bind countries together. Our UC members are deeply involved in the global seafood industry, providing sushi that was caught half a world away, often just hours before.

It's obvious that no city can raise its own food, and by now, few states can either. Elsewhere, entire nations are dependent upon imported food.

Geology placed oil in certain regions, and politics (more than technology) leaves much of that unavailable. Oil producing nations have become wealthy, though in most areas, that has failed to benefit their average citizens.

Some economists deem oil a curse that stifles diversification, and point to the prosperity of low-resource places such as Hong Kong, Singapore, and now Dubai.

Ores are needed for all sorts of industries, and they're sought in every corner of the globe. For decades American companies did most of the mining, and built all of the heavy equipment. Lately, Japan and Korea have entered that market.

No matter the deal or treaty, the global elites always seem to come out on top, with mixed results for the public. Mexico's top billionaire, who owns their telecom system, employs a quarter million locals; while Wal-Mart Mexico employs over a million.

Those elites can't have a summit meeting without drawing loud protests. Masked anarchists will riot, usually becoming violent.

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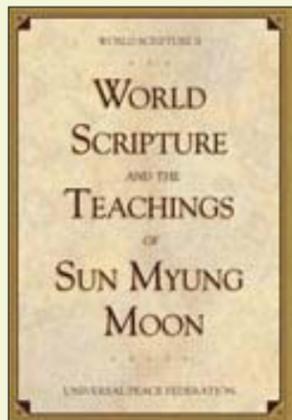
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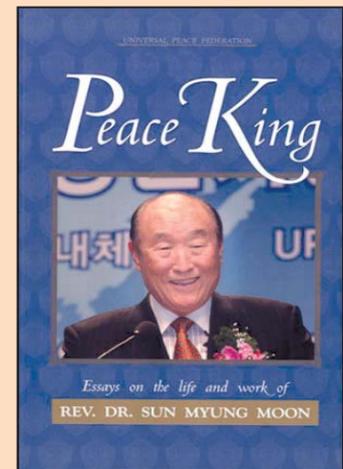
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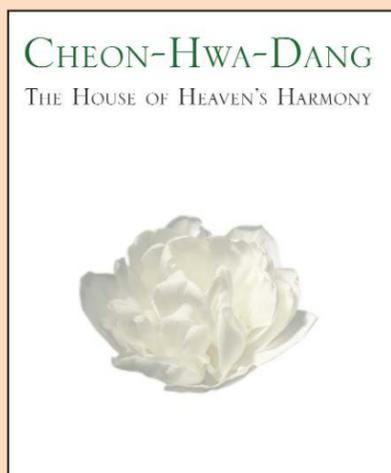
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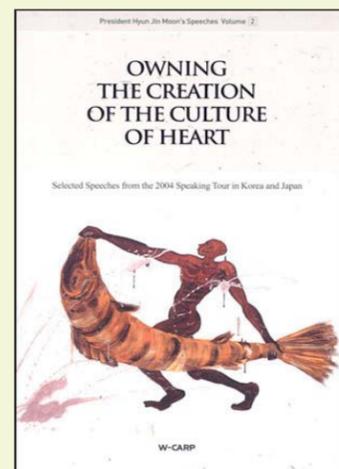
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