

## With True Parents on earth the realization of God's hope became possible

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My heartfelt greetings to all members of the clergy from around the world and members of the American clergy with ACLC as we celebrate the first anniversary of the founding of WCLC.

Today, we stand at a point where we must know the truth of God's dispensation and providence and usher in a new era. Just as it is said in the Bible, new wine must be put into new wineskins.

Today, the world is facing indescribable problems, and as the coronavirus continues to spread, we face a situation where face-to-face communications are severely restricted. Even so, God's hope and humanity's hope is to see a unified world.

That is why I would like to speak about the truth of God's providence. I have called upon you to become the righteous people of this time. Our Creator wanted to realize His dream on earth together with humankind.

Therefore, He gave human beings a responsibility. He wanted them to grow their hearts well and perfect their love, then live together with Him, their Creator. Yet, Adam and Eve, the first human ancestors, were unable to accomplish this, and they ended up bringing about a world unrelated to God.

The Creator is eternal, and so everything He created is also eternal.

From this perspective, God had to carry out the providence of salvation, which he would have wished were not necessary. We know how difficult that history has been, one example being the 4,000-year history of the people of Israel.

God sent His central figures and prophets in keeping with the times back then and promised to send the Messiah. But how difficult this process must have been that it took God 4,000 years! Let us look back at when Moses led the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt.

God led the Israelites out of slavery, guiding them with the miracles of the pillar of cloud and pillar of fire.

The Israelites were heading to Canaan. Then, why did they waste 40 years in the wilderness? This was the result of their not being able to fully unite with their leader.

In other words, the Israelites lacked a sense of ownership of their position. Finally, after 4,000 years, God could send the Savior, the Messiah, through the people of Israel. He called Jesus "my son, my Only Begotten Son." Why did God send His Son to us?

At that time, Mother Mary and the religious leaders had key responsibilities. Sadly, they were unable to complete them, and as a result, Jesus had no footing on which to stand. Jesus had no choice but to go the way of the cross; however, he promised to return.

Jesus said he would come again to conduct the Marriage Supper of the Lamb. Christianity had its first beginnings as the early followers waited for the Second Advent of Jesus, who had promised to return. However, they did not know the true essence of Jesus, nor the Creator's ideal for humankind.

Christianity began through the apostles, but as people continued to practice the faith over a long period of time, the faith began to be emphasized within a man-made framework, and many problems emerged from this. As God, however, had said the Second Advent would certainly take place through Christianity, He, therefore, allowed the Reformation to occur.

Luther began the Reformation and Calvin brought it to fruition. In publishing his theses and their reaching Rome, Luther spoke about the oppression of people's faith. It was from here that the Protestant church began.

Back then, the Puritans in Europe were longing for the freedom to serve God and practice their faith. This led them to seek out and head for the new world where they could finally do so.

They landed in America in 1620, and the very first thing they did was build a chapel where they could worship God. They then erected a school where future generations could be educated. Only after this did they begin to build their own homes.

Their actions reflected their resolve to build a nation that served God. This was the beginning of the United States. That is why we see the statement "In God We Trust" even on US dollar bills today. The United States, however, has weathered a lot of storms throughout this 400-year history.

With the formation of the Northern Presbyterian movement alongside the Presbyterian Church of Canada, a movement began under which all pastors, deacons and believers could attend God more freely than they could in the Catholic Church in earlier times. From that time, therefore, many pastors began going out to the world.

Meanwhile in Korea, the Presbyterian Church in Pyongyang saw explosive growth under God's providence. Christianity stood in the position to see the fulfillment of the providence God and Jesus had promised. Jesus, whom all humanity was waiting for, had said he would come again and conduct the Marriage Supper of the Lamb. The birth of the counterpart of the returning Lord was to be 400 years after Calvin's main work: God's Only Begotten daughter was born in 1943.

God's providence is profound and mysterious. Korea, and Korean Christianity, became divided between the north and the south with the beginning of the Cold War, right after World War II. It was a division between Democracy and Communism. Democracy in the South was still developing. The North, however, was fully ready, preparing to invade the South. Korea was liberated in 1945 and the Korean War broke out in 1950. Yet there is evidence that God was with us.

The Korean War was itself a holy war that God presided over. In 1960, the advent of True Parents occurred. Many countries under colonial rule, particularly those in Africa, were liberated and became independent.

Through the emergence of the True Parents on earth, the realization of humanity's wish and Heavenly Parent's hope became possible, and all people became siblings centered on True Parents. Hence, there could no longer be countries ruling over others.

The Christian foundation should have worked with True Parents to help God's providence. However, this didn't happen and as a result, True Parents' course for the past 60 years was like that of the wilderness. However, as the Parents, we did our best. Today, we have raised many blessed families around the world.

Only through True Parents can humanity return to God, our Creator. In other words, people need to be born again through True Parents.

That is through the process of the Marriage Blessing, under God our Creator. God is the Heavenly Parent of humankind. And the way to becoming the children of Heavenly Parent has been paved and widened by True Parents for the past 60 years.

And yet, the 7.8 billion people still do not know about the True Parents, whom Heavenly Parent and humanity have so longed for, the Parents whom all people should find and meet. Then, who is to let all people know about True Parents, and lead everyone to become Heavenly Parent's children? That is none other than you, and particularly members of the clergy in America and throughout the world. You have the responsibility to embrace and guide all people with one united heart.

The fulfillment of that responsibility will create a new history. As I previously mentioned, the Bible says that new wine should be put in new wineskins. Only when we let go of everything in the past that had a human-centered beginning, and advance to a position that is centered solely on True Parents and Heavenly Parent can God be with us.

I would like to say the following: Let all people know about the urgent heart with which God has been waiting. In addition, everything that happened this year is a warning from God that there is no more time. The United States must go back to its original founding spirit as it celebrates 400 years of history.

The United States should not become a nation where Heavenly Parent can no longer dwell. God blessed the United States and made it stand high as a powerful nation in front of the world so that He could embrace all of its 7.8 billion people.

Hence, we must no longer allow God and True Parents' hard work to be in vain. Right after World War II, the United States' victory brought tremendous hope to the free world. Yet, when the United States forgot what it must uphold, when it forgot God and acted with pride, many problems occurred.

The United States was troubled with family break-down, sexual promiscuity, and drug problems. These were the very signs the Roman Empire, whose roads were known to stretch out to the world, showed when it collapsed. Observing these things, we, being the True Parents, went to the United States and, for forty years, we invested in the country over and over again.

We hung on to God, who was at the point of leaving America, and implored Him passionately to give the nation another chance to fulfill its responsibility. In those days, we shed so many tears as we walked the streets of Manhattan. A lot of young people in the United States -- even hippies -- followed True Parents, and a new history was written.

They matured in their love, and in 1975 some went out as missionaries to the world. Among these, many still continue to take responsibility for the mission in their country. As people who deeply understand Heavenly Parent's heart and understand True Parents, they continue to labor until this day with the resolve to become sons and daughters who fulfill Heavenly Parent's dream until their very last breath.

Hence, the United States of America today, which God has blessed, must be able to write a new history through accomplishing its responsibility and bearing results.

Hence, I would like to say the following: Please forgive the American politicians and work together in oneness. Please remember that the only way for the United States to maintain its existence is through harmony and unity alone. God has been waiting for the United States, the nation He blessed, to stand in a position wherein it can fulfill its responsibility [before God].

And to all members of the clergy in America and throughout the world:

There are many religions in our world today.

And all these faiths have one purpose -- they all share the same will to serve and attend the Absolute Being, our Creator.

Hence, I sincerely hope that you can all raise your voices to let all people know of our Creator, and in advancing the realization of One Big Family under Heavenly Parent, a world of peace wherein all people live in unity as one family of humankind.