

Hyojeong Christmas Festival with True Parents

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It had to have been sometime near the end of the 1960s. It's been so long that I can't remember the date, but from 1965, True Parents went on several speaking tours around the world.

When we arrived in Israel, I think the weather was a bit hot then. Israel is only one-fifth the size of South Korea. So, we traveled around Israel searching for landmarks mentioned in the Bible. We saw all the locations within four hours. The Bible describes all the locations where Jesus journeyed, and it's all within a four-hour radius. Two thousand years ago, there wasn't any modern transportation. Were there donkeys? There probably weren't any carriages.

At that time, the people of Israel was a stateless nation under the rule of the Roman Empire, but several prophets and sages foretold of the birth of the king of Israel. What did King Herod do then? He prevented Jesus from being born in Jerusalem and thus, Jesus was born in a manger in Bethlehem, about ten kilometers from Jerusalem. Nevertheless, the Three Wise Men came bearing gifts. We know this from the Bible.

Is today Jesus' real birthday? It's not, right? The records say that Mary conceived Jesus through the Holy Spirit. How difficult must that have been? Jesus was not a normal child and it must have been heartbreaking for his mother to not leave any record behind of his birthdate. For four thousand years, God waited eagerly for His only begotten son, Jesus Christ to be born. Although the disciples must have known the date from revelations and

messages from the angels, they did not leave any record behind.

When I told a Catholic archbishop that Catholicism can no longer produce life, like an infertile egg, I thought he would storm off, but he agreed with me. Moreover, he told me that he would study more.

Even though our Heavenly Parent has prepared an environment in which He is able to embrace humanity, Christians and religious people have still not woken up from their slumber. What should be done? Should we wake them up? Should we show them?

This nation must also fulfill its responsibilities toward True Parents and Heavenly Parent. Because of this, none of the blessed families who have gathered here today have further time to delay. You have to inform people and if they do not accept what you're saying, that's their responsibility. It will remain as indemnity. However, you must fulfill your responsibilities for as long as you can. Do you understand?

Politicians are not the owners of this nation. You must understand that the true owners are Heavenly Parent, True Parents, and you blessed families. As the owner, you have the authority of an owner and in stronger words, you have to go for it!

Now, only one year remains. It's one year. I will give all of the Family Federation's five subregions in Korea one more year, so let's press on! If you do this, it will be a true Christmas. A Christmas where Mary is not adored but one where True Parents are loved. Do you understand?