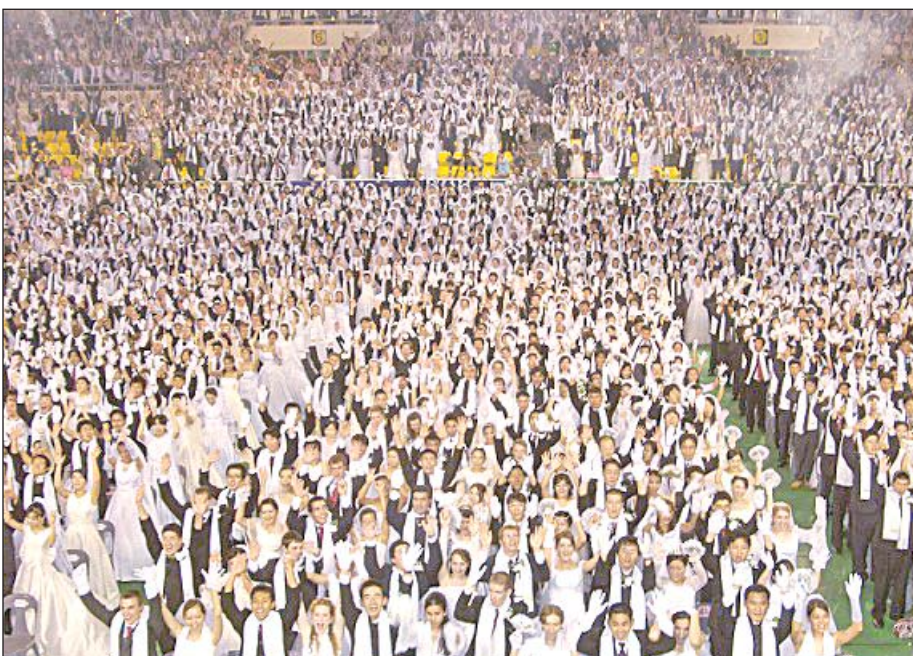


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True Parents Are the

This speech was given at the WCSF Banquet at the Lotte Hotel, Seoul, Korea, on August 1, 2005.

Distinguished guests from home and abroad, ladies and gentlemen, Before I begin, I would like to ask you to bear in mind that I do not stand here before you on this momentous day to greet you with a perfunctory, conventionally worded address. I have come to earth in the capacity of the True Parent, to save humanity from sin. Although I will speak only briefly, I would like to take this opportunity to convey to you a message sent to us from God. My speech is entitled, "True Parents Are the Incarnation of God."

Is there anyone here who has seen God? He exists as a Being without form. Even when we pass on to the spirit world, we will not be able to see Him. Therefore, for God to establish a relationship with human beings, who are composed of flesh and blood, and live together with us, He needs to mani-

fest as the Father here on earth, through a physical body. Working within this heavenly law, God created our first ancestors, Adam and Eve. Through them, He intended to manifest Himself on earth, both in spirit and body. Adam and Eve would have also symbolized the earthly and the spiritual worlds coming together in harmony and unity—the unification of the universe.

Then how can human beings, born with a physical body, become the manifestations of God, who has none? God's nature is absolute, unique, unchanging, and eternal, and He created His greatest masterpiece, human beings, to reflect fully all aspects of that nature. The physical body, created based on the principles of the temporal world of substance, cannot exist forever. Once Adam and Eve had reached perfection, therefore, God planned to dwell within them,

to achieve complete oneness with them. He planned that they would enter a relationship of eternal, true love where in He would be Adam, and at the same time, God. Likewise, God would be Eve, and at the same time God. If Adam and Eve had not fallen, had abided by the commandments of God, achieved perfection as individuals, and been brought together in a holy matrimonial union with the blessing of God, not only their

children but their descendants for generations to come would have lived forevermore as His substantial embodiments, inheriting His nature generation after generation.

The Realm of True Love

The realm of true love's absolute value can be achieved only when the sphere of true love relationships is established firmly. Thus, if Adam and

Eve had attained such a standard, humanity automatically would have been elevated to the position of God's absolute object partner, from which position they would have enjoyed an eternal life of joy and happiness through their descendants. In the end, however, the human Fall dealt the severest blow to God. From the vertical perspective, God and humankind were in a relationship of parent and children. From a horizontal viewpoint, human beings are God Himself as well as His children.



AUGUST 2005

Ahn Shi Il • 4th, 12th, 20th, 28th

- 1 Hee Jin Nim's Ascension (1969)
Day of Returning to the Home Country (1993)
- 4 Hye Jin Nim's Ascension (1964)
- 7 Unification Theological Institute (1971)
- 11 Chil Pal Jeol: Declaration of the Realm of the Cosmic Sabbath for Parents of Heaven and Earth (7/7/97)
- 16 Shin Goon Nim's Birthday (7/12/83)
Shin Kwon Nim's Birthday (7/12/89)
Il Sung Il: Total Victory Day (1985)
- 17 Declaration Day Jeon-ban & Jeon-neung (1999)
- 20 Declaration Providential Age of Salvation by Love (1989)
Blessing for Registration in Cheon Il Guk, Revolution of True Heart and True Liberation and Complete Freedom (2004)
Father's Release from Danbury (1985)
- 22 In Jin Nim's Birthday (7/18/65)
- 23 Hwa Jung Nim's Birthday (7/19/77)
- 25 30,000 Couples' Blessing (1992)
360,000 Couples' Blessing (1995)
- 28 Federation for World Peace (1991)
- 31 Pal Jong Shik: Day of the Settlement of 8 Stages (1989)

SEPTEMBER 2005

Ahn Shi Il • 5th, 13th, 21st, 29th

- 1 Cheon Bu Ju Hwi: Declaration Day of Heavenly Parentism (1989)
- 3 Shin Ji Nim's Birthday (7/30/94)
- 5 Shin Joong Nim's Birthday (8/2/93)
- 6 Young Jin Nim & Hwa Jung Nim's Blessing (1997)
Hyung Jin Nim & Yeon Ah Nim's Blessing (1997)
- 8 Sa Sa Jeol Declaration (1998)
- 9 Hyung Jin Nim's Birthday (8/6/79)
99.9 Jeol: Heaven and Earth Unification and Liberation Ceremony (1999)
- 10 3.10 Jeol (1999)
- 14 Interrreligious and International Blessing and Rededication

Ceremony (2002)

- 15 Hye Shin Nim's Ascension (1971)
- 18 Soon Ju Nim's Birthday (8/15/72)
Chusok – Korean Thanksgiving (8/15)
Foundation Day (1976)
Ultimas Noticias Established (1981)
- 27 Day of Dispensational Transition Point Toward Unification (1988)
- 29 Hwa Yun Nim's Birthday (8/26/77)

OCTOBER 2005

Ahn Shi Il • 7th, 15th, 23rd, 31st

- 1 Ocean Church Founded
- 3 Foundation Day for the Nation of the Unified World (1988)
Interreligious and International Peace Council Inauguration (2003)
- 4 Day of Victory of Heaven (1976)
- 5 Proclamation of Total Liberation and Unification between the Physical World and the Spiritual World (1998)
- 10 Shin Myung Nim's Birthday (9/8/86)
Sang Ship Jeol: Double 10 Day (1999)
- 11 Father's father's Ascension (1954)
Opening Cheonsung Wanlim Palace Training Center (1999)
- 13 In Sup Nim's Birthday (9/11/72)
- 14 6000 Couples' Blessing (1982)
- 18 Shin Eh Nim's Birthday (9/16/89)
- 20 Shin Mi Nim's Birthday (9/18/77)
Shin Ok Nim's Birthday (9/18/89)
Shin Ah Nim's Birthday (9/18/98)
- 21 777 Couples' Blessing (1970)
- 23 Declaration Ceremony for the Liberation of the Parents of Heaven and Earth and the Substantial Realm (1999)
- 26 Shin Pal Nim's Birthday (9/24/98)
- 27 Young Jin Nim's Ascension (1999)
- 30 6500 Couples' Blessing (1988)

Due to the manner in which the lunar calendar corresponds with the solar calendar, Un Jin Nim's and Yun Ah Nim's birthdays are celebrated twice in 2005. If there are discrepancies, please feel free to contact me. A lot of work and effort goes into this calendar's creation (annually for the past ten years)--including learning Japanese to be able to read an accurate lunar-solar calendar source, and gaining an understanding of the workings of the lunar calendar--Kathryn Coman [KathrynComan@worldnet.att.net]

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L A T O R Y B A N Q U E T

Incarnation of God

Through the Fall, God lost all of this.

Once Adam and Eve had become the visible forms of God, He would have dwelt in their hearts and reigned over the corporeal, physical world and the incorporeal, spiritual world. In other words, God would have reigned over the world together with Adam and Eve. Together, they would have created the kingdom of God on earth, that is, the Peace Kingdom. Adam would have become the king of the kingdom of heaven on earth, as well as the king of the kingdom of heaven in the spirit world. Having inherited the nature of God in all its glory, Adam would have stood above all creation as an absolute being, a unique being, and an eternal being. He would have been the unchanging parent, owner, teacher, and king of true love in this world of substance. Moreover, each of the six billion people living in the world today would have been the visible form and incarnation of God.

What stood in the way of achieving this? As I have said, the central problem was the Human Fall. The Fall drove the human race into the sphere of ignorance. It turned them into lonely orphans. Though their eyes may gaze upon the natural scenery spread out before them, the Fall made them insensible to God, the root of all creation. They are unable to hear, see, or feel His presence.

God's Suffering

However, God was plunged into greater suffering and grief than was humankind. Satan arose as God's archenemy, violated His ideal of creation, defiled His beloved son and daughter and took away the planet Earth, God's ideal garden of true love. The Earth became Satan's playground. Can you imagine how torn with sorrow and grief God's heart was? There are no words to describe it: it was a horrid, wretched situation. How many tears have you shed out of sympathy for God and His plight?

God was given no choice but to relinquish His beloved son to His enemy, not because He did not have the authority or the power to hold fast to His son, but because He could not trample on the heavenly way of love, the rules and principles of Heaven that He Himself had established. Therefore, our Heavenly Father persevered and waited, shedding unceasing tears of sorrow as He proceeded with His providence to restore what had been lost. Suffering the indignity of having to deny Himself as the Creator, it has been six thousand years that He walked the path for the restoration of His children. All-knowing and all-powerful though He may be, God still had to follow a course more tortuous than if He dwelt in hell itself in order to restore the true lineage. There is no way that the providence of restoration God is carrying out can be random. It cannot deviate from the principles and rules of Heaven.

To be successful in His endeavors, God must seek out and anoint the True Parents on earth. They will restore humankind, the degraded descendants of the Fall who have inherited the blood

lineage of the false parent, Satan. God had originally intended that Adam establish the lineage of Heaven after he attained individual perfection and was blessed by God in holy matrimony. God thus must install here on earth the visible God with the mission to restore that heavenly lineage. In short, the aim of the providence of God lies in raising true families, true nations, and a true world, unrelated in any way to Satan, here on this planet Earth.

This is why Jesus Christ came as the Second Adam two thousand years ago. However, the nation of Israel and its leaders did not understand the will of God although that nation had been prepared for four thousand years. They did not believe in Jesus.

Jesus was sent to earth as the Savior and Messiah; nevertheless as a result of their disbelief, the restoration of our lineage centered upon Jesus was frustrated. Once again, God was plunged into a valley of sorrow and grief. He had to wait once again for the day of New Beginning. He has been waiting for that day when He could completely uproot the false blood lineage of Satan and begin the true lineage of God.

The Mission of the True Parents

Ladies and gentlemen, the man who stands before you here and now, Rev. Moon, is the person who appeared in this evil world after receiving the Ordination of the Cosmos. You are surely not aware of it, but I cannot help seeing my life as one of innumerable hardships and trials. It has been a great, lonely, and desperate battle. As a lone fighter, armed with nothing but silent resolve, I had to face Satan's forces of six billion. I could not lose this battle no matter the cost. It was a battle through which I had to bring the enemy, Satan, to voluntary submission, and recover the Royal Seal of God that he had seized.

I searched far and wide in the spirit world, challenging not only the four great religious founders but even God Himself. I underwent indescribable ordeals, all to reveal the mys-

teries of the Creation and to find the answers regarding the salvation of humanity. I learned that, according to heavenly law, the salvation of the spirit world had to precede the salvation of the physical world; therefore I completed the salvation of the spirit world first.

On that foundation, I have arrived

travel at top speed on the superhighway in the Era after the Coming of Heaven. Open up your hearts, receive the word of God, and take the path to individual perfection. Become representatives of the True Parents. Become horizontal true parents in the Era after the Coming of Heaven, passing on the blessing of God to others freely and without reserve. Build the Peace Kingdom here on earth and become the blessed citizens of the kingdom of heaven, serving God forevermore as true parents yourselves.

Even as we speak, cries of pain can be heard in many parts of the world. I ask you to be aware of how important your roles are as leaders who are concerned about the future of humanity and who are working on the front line for the realization of world peace.

The message I have conveyed to you on this formal occasion is neither my own personal philosophy nor the theory of the Unification Church; it is the law of Heaven. It is the way of Heaven that God has been preparing for six thousand years. God is utilizing my physical body—the body of the True Parent—and is carrying out His works through me as the incarnate True Parent.

Please leave here tonight with the new hope of Heaven in your hearts. I hope and pray that, as the people attending True Parents, you will stand at the forefront in the ranks of those working to establish the Peace Kingdom.

May the blessings of God forever be with you and your nations. Thank you. ❖



at this stage of accomplishment at a run. My path is that of a complete man of mature character whom God can utilize as His visible form. I have accomplished the path of the True Parent, founding the true tribe that carries the true bloodline of God that can never again be defiled. I have walked the path of Savior and Messiah, whose mission it is to restore all humanity. This path



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I am grateful that so many of you could gather here today, in spite of your busy public and private schedules.

Let me begin my address by reading an excerpt from a prayer that I offered forty-seven years ago. The year was 1958, and I was a 38-year-old single man. This prayer is recorded in the Cheon Seong Gyeong, a collection of passages from sermons I have delivered over the course of my ministry.

This message is Heaven's warning that I delivered to the people of the United States and the whole world in June during my four-city U.S. speaking tour. I would like to once again convey this urgent and serious message to all of you world leaders.

Prayer

"Loving Father, thank you for the grace by which You have protected Your humble son, who has fought since childhood so that Heaven may not suffer humiliation and insult.

"Even the finest things of this earth are worthless when measured against the original heart by which You act. Considering this, we should feel boundless longing to stand in a position where we can connect to Your heart. A person who encounters Your true love could lose the entire world and not miss it.

"Beloved Father, we must now establish the ideal world, our original homeland, where Your love saturates every person's life. During our earthly lives we must prepare for the day when we will make the transition into the next life as Your liberated children, inhabiting a realm of freedom there. Just as a child must be healthy in the womb for it to be healthy during its life in this world, we must lead wholesome lives in this world if we are to be healthy and complete after entering Heaven. Nevertheless, the world in which we live today is under the dominion of evil and therefore is full of contradictions. Thus the only way that heaven and earth can support us in our endeavors, and the only way we can harmonize with the dynamic ebb and flow of the universe, is if we are victorious over ourselves to the extent that we are ready to give our lives. We must not leave behind such tragic legacy to our descendents.

"Loving Father, You have toiled throughout history to create a new springtime of hope for us. Let us recognize that, in order to greet the new spring, our lives must be bound to Your life. We must assimilate ourselves completely into You and be absorbed in You. Allow us the certain knowledge that this is the only way to receive Your spring and break forth as Your beautiful blossoms.

"Help us to also understand that just as a tree that blossoms in spring must pass through summer and autumn before it bears fruit, so too our lives must pass through a certain process before we can bear fruit. No matter how

long it takes, or how stormy the environment, we cannot allow our inner self to be invaded. We must continue a course of steady development. This is the only way we can reach the next spring as a mother's body for a new life, a mature seed ready to be sown in the fertile soil.

Though we may appear shabby and wretched, we must not forget that we are people whose internal form is as a crystal, capable of gathering the infinite life force to be planted as life-bearing seeds in the infinite world. I beseech You that we always remember, in the face of difficulties, that the more piti-



ful our external appearance, the more significant and substantial is our internal value.

"We know, loving Father, that anyone whose heart is not overflowing with longing to attend You and bow down before You will be unable to bond with You in that eternal world. Let us open

our hearts now, so that we may feel Your heart. Let us hear Your voice today as it wells up within our hearts, so that we may establish our lives in your truth. Let us appreciate with our whole heart the tragic course You walked as You struggled behind the scenes of history to reclaim each one of us. Of our own accord, we bow our heads in Your presence. Amen!"

Truth

Respected leaders of the World, what is the first attribute of truth? It is that it is eternal and unchanging. If I truly have received the anointing of Heaven as the Savior, Messiah, Second Coming and True Parent, who appears on the earth to communicate Heaven's truth and save humanity from the hell of the human fall, then the word that I teach must not change. There should not be even the slightest difference between what I teach today and what I taught 20 years ago or 40 years ago.

I received Heaven's call at the youthful age of 16 and have dedicated my life of over 80 years to the task of accomplishing God's will on this earth and saving humankind. My teachings do not derive from my own knowledge or personal philosophy. The words that come from my mouth, whether 50 years ago, at this moment, or at any moment in the future, are truth given by Heaven to humanity. They are the heavenly doctrine that humanity should uphold and live by forever. Even if all six billion people on earth were to oppose me, my words are still the eternal and unchangeable truth. Nothing can be added or taken away, not even one iota.

As I prayed 47 years ago, so too today I pray that you will open your hearts and experience the heart of God. Please listen to the voice of God that wells up from within the deepest recesses of your own heart. Please do not ever forget Heaven's wondrous will and love, which have guided my footsteps back to America even after I thought I would never return.

One Moment and One Lifetime

God created us to be born in love, raised in love, live our lives in the midst of love, and then die in the arms of love. So everything—our birth, our life, and our death-- should give rise to gratitude.

From birth we find ourselves sharing in the lives of our parents. We become love participants in their lives. Our par-

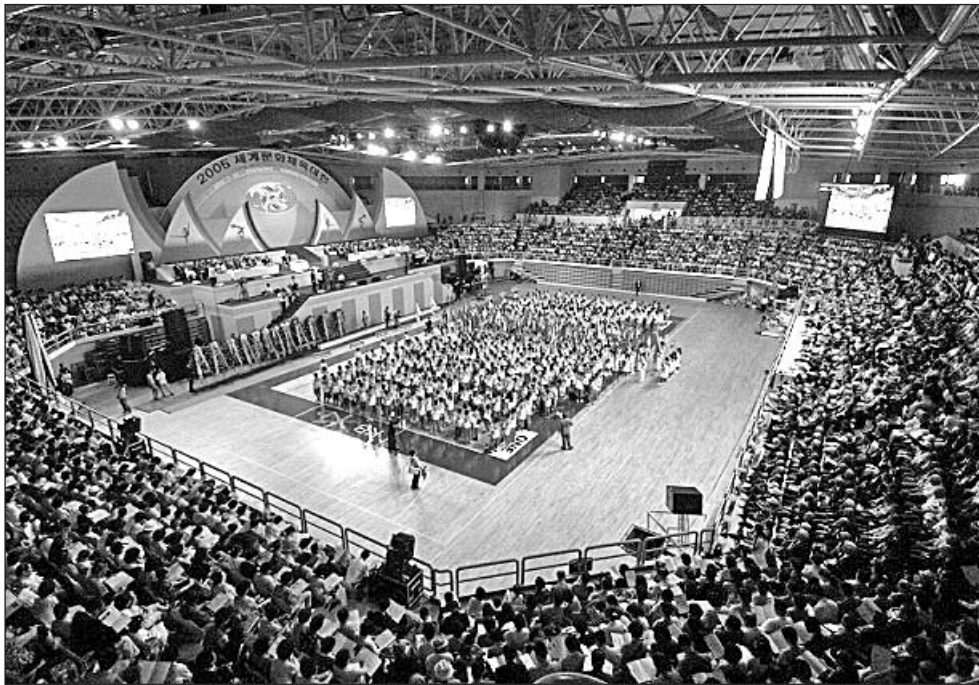
her life constantly aware of the precious value of each moment, for every particular moment is uniquely special. Such a person can be included in the ranks of the saints, and even become a divine son or daughter in Heaven and on earth.

From this perspective, it is vital to understand how to live in relationship with God's will, in the contexts both of daily personal life and of historical time. Before we talk about our hope that God's will be done and His Kingdom come, we need to assess the degree to which we are living in oneness with His Will.

The Bible records a 4,000-year Providence of Restoration that includes Noah's family, Abraham's family, Moses' family and Jesus' family. We see that the mistakes the members of those families committed were not events extending over a decade or several decades. Those who erred did so in a single moment, and the error of that one moment fated them and their descendants to a path of indemnity extending over a thousand years of history, and caused peoples and nations to fall into a bottomless pit of destruction.

That reveals the seriousness and importance of each moment of our lives. Even the eternal Kingdom of Heaven cannot exist apart from the single moment. Eternity does not begin when a person dies; it begins when a person comes to know Heaven's will. If even a single moment should ever be skipped, or if there should be even the smallest hole in time, eternity will cease to exist.

As people of faith, it is good for us to dream of the eternal, but it is even more important that we understand how to eradicate evil and advance goodness in the context of our own life in today's reality. In other words, what you should fear most is not the judgment that will come in the Last Days, but whether you are living each moment of your daily life in oneness with God's Will. You should be concerned about how your life intersects with the



ents conceived us in love; in us they planted the flag of their love. We live our entire lives in accordance with the banner of our parents' love. We should wave this banner each moment of our lives by loving our parents and our siblings.

The person who ignores the value of each and every moment to love will lose what is truly precious. Whether we win or lose is determined in a single moment. Every historical victory and every heavenly victory was determined in a moment. Therefore, a great person lives his or

course of God's Will.

The Path to Our True Home

The truth is that the circumstances of our families, societies, nations and world do not align with our will. Therefore, we find ourselves dealing with all manners of difficulties, and we struggle back and forth across the turning point between good and evil. Every single day we prepare and struggle to triumph over our circumstances. Even in terms of our daily schedules, we often experience that we cannot do all

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the things that we planned to do in the morning. This is all the more the case as we take on a greater public role. We find that we need proportionally greater determination and driving force in order to conclude each day of our lives with victory. The days add up to become months, then years. Ultimately, they add up to form our entire life.

Ladies and gentlemen, while living on this earth, neither we nor anyone in history can escape the confines of time. Individuals, families, tribes, peoples, nations and the world move within one realm of time. Each person has a certain purpose to fulfill during the course of his or her life. A person will strive for ten years, twenty years, or an entire lifetime in pursuit of this purpose. The larger the purpose, the stronger must be the person's internal resolution and dedication. To accomplish his or her purpose, a person must possess an internal determination strong enough to overcome any adversity.

You may not understand about the spirit world. But through God's special grace, I came to know that unknown world with certainty. Looking at the fundamentals of that world, I saw that it operates on a simple principle. When people cross over into that world, those who lived for the sake of others according to God's heavenly laws and principles will enter Heaven, while those who lived selfishly and only for themselves cannot avoid going to hell. What is heaven? Heaven is a kingdom of peace. It is where the original ideal of creation that God purposed from the beginning is completed. It is the true homeland all human beings must seek and find.

We are descendants of Adam and Eve, who were expelled from the original homeland as a result of the Fall. Therefore, it is our destiny to return to and re-enter that original homeland. However, we cannot enter there by human effort alone. It is possible to enter only because God has worked through history to enable fallen human beings to go there. God established various religions, suited to each peoples' diverse cultures and traditions, to guide humanity. Religion, however, only trains people to acquire the qualifications. To actually bring us to this higher dimension, God is now leading humanity above and beyond the cultural backgrounds of the various world religions, towards a single unified religious world.

The Goal of Life

All religions teach their followers to live for the sake of others because their purpose is to prepare their people to live in the original homeland. Living for the sake of others is the essence of true love. To train us in this way of life, religions give highest priority to the practice of meekness and humility. They teach us to place other people above ourselves and to live for their benefit. They teach sacrifice and service.

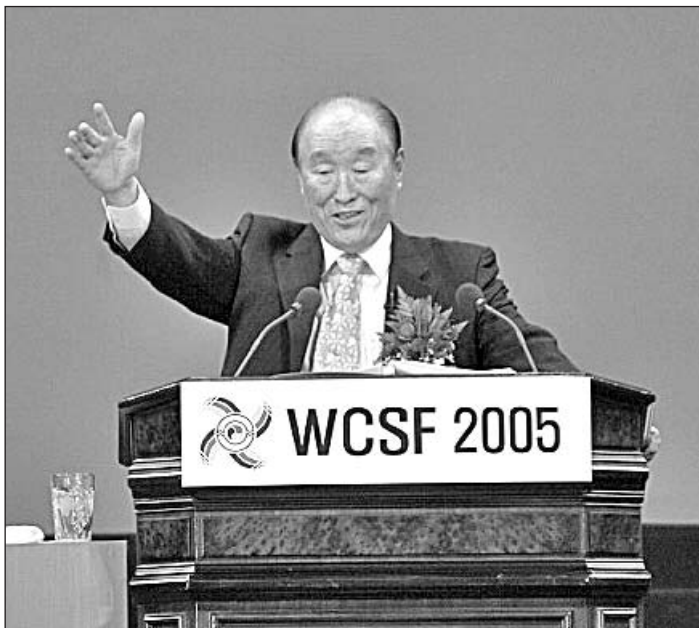
Ladies and gentlemen, what is the ultimate goal of life? It is to possess God's love completely. To reach that final destination, a man and a woman must travel the road together. They may encounter life-threatening situations dozens or even hundreds of times, or even die on the way, yet that is the path of life that leads them back to God.

What is the ultimate human desire? It is to possess God's love completely. True love is the core of God's being. You may possess God's attention completely, yet God will not be your God unless you possess God's true love. On the other hand, if you completely possess God's true love, then you will not mind even if God is not with you. You enter a state where everything that is God's is yours, and everything that is yours is God's. Then for the first time, the internal and external will be one. The place filled with such love is the ideal Kingdom of Heaven. Once you reach this state, you will perceive beauty in all beings in the world, and everything in the world will live for your sake.

And yet, ladies and gentlemen, because of the fall of the first human ancestors, all people without exception have inherited Satan's false love and were born with Satan as their parents. Satan's lineage has been passed down to you through your mother and father. This is the picture of who you are here today. Our beginning was in error because false parents abducted us; therefore, we must go back and begin again in the lineage of the True Parents.

This is how deadly serious our lives

in order for Him to be the Parent of all material existence. God, being invisible and without material form, cannot have dominion over things that have material form. In other words, God needed to exist as a being with form: that



is the form of a Parent. God wished to become one with Adam and Eve and through them to act as the substantial Parent to all humanity.

Second, the invisible God cannot produce children of His perfect image by Himself. A vertical line perpendicular to a horizontal plane cannot move beyond the single point where it intersects that plane. There is no reproduction in the spirit world. The spatiality that is necessary for reproduction to take place is created only when there is a horizontal deployment from the perpendicular axis tracing a sphere through 360 degrees. God needed an organic process by which to produce citizens of the Kingdom of Heaven, and so He created this horizontal earthly world. When a man and woman meet and form a couple through conjugal love, they create a sphere through their give and take action, and become a channel by which to produce citizens of the Kingdom of Heaven. God's desire was to multiply so many people of the Kingdom of Heaven that there would be more than enough men and women to fill the ideal world of He envisioned. This is the reason it is important for husbands and wives to bear and raise many children.

Third, God created human beings in order to establish and maintain an eternal partnership of love. When God created Adam and Eve, He intended that they would become His eternal partners of love. But they were not the only ones. Once God had established Adam and Eve in His partnership realm, it was His intention to likewise establish their children and all their descendants in a world where everyone would be His direct partner of love. In this way, God created human beings to maintain the world of love's partnership for eternity.

If Adam and Eve call God "Father," then should their children call Him "Grandfather?" No, they would also call Him "Father." God is the vertical center. From God's perspective, all the partners of His love are equal. Each partner of God's love possesses equal value transcending time and space. After all, each is produced when God's vertical love is extended horizontally on the same plane. This means the value of perfected love is always equal.

Intermediaries between the Spiritual and Physical Worlds

Next, let us look at the process of God's creation. When God created the universe, first He created the natural environment and then on that foundation He created human beings. In the beginning, God was the center of everything. In the end, He desired that human beings establish equilibrium and unity throughout the natural world. Thus, human beings would be in the central position—with the spirit world relating to the mind and the physical world relating to the body. Humanity has a mission: to serve as the intermediary between the spiritual and physical worlds.

Look at the natural world in which we live. It contains two axes: one visible and the other invisible. The Earth, as an object partner, revolves around the sun, its subject partner, at the same time that it rotates on its own axis. Likewise, our body revolves around our mind by following the mind's directions at the same time that it also engages in its own rotational motion that enables it to exist and function. I am trying to illustrate a universal principle, one that illuminates the path of restoration that leads to the salvation of fallen humanity.

Human beings have a body that revolves around the physical mind. The physical mind revolves around a higher center—the spirit mind, and above the spirit mind is yet a higher center—God. Human beings are complete only when they are completely one with God. Yet, a complete human being, though he or she may appear to be an insignificant individual, represents all of history and all relationships of the future. That person's value is equal to that of the entire cosmos. If we wish to attain such cosmic value, we will let our spirit mind lead the way as we go about our life. This is heavenly law. The time has come when Heaven will judge whoever goes against the promptings of his or her conscience, which speaks through the spirit mind.

We are now living in the Age After the Coming of Heaven. This is an era when your sincerity, your dedication and your sweat will bear fruit. The founders and saints of the great religions, accompanied by myriads of good ancestors, have descended to the earth and are participating in the works of

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are. You must inherit God's love, God's life, and God's lineage. It is possible only through the Holy Blessing Ceremony. This ceremony is not a religious rite of the Unification Church alone but grace from God. You were dying because you were pricked by Satan's poison-tipped needle, but through this ceremony you will be revived.

The Purpose of Creation

Then, let us look from God's viewpoint at the reasons He created human beings. There are three. First, God created human beings with material form

WCSF Opens with Color and Fanfare

At the Cheonan Sports Complex the participants of the IPSF together with the International IIFWP Assembly, Korean War Veterans and

local supporters gathered together to celebrate the opening of the World Cultural and Sports Festival 2005 on July 29th. The athletes of the IPSF entered the stadium carrying the flags representing their countries followed by the remainder of the participants.

The IPSF opening ceremony took place at the gymnasium of SunMoon University, Asan campus. 100 foreign athletes and over 200 Korean athletes participated. VIP's such as Dr. Kyung June Lee, president of SunMoon University, the mayor of Asan city, and congressmen from Asan city were present.

The event began with congratulatory performances, welcoming greetings, and main speeches with Mr. Bernard Chellew and Mr. In teck Suh, assistant director of international affairs as M.C. Dr. Kyung June Lee who is the chairwoman of IPSF stated, "This event is not just a sports event, but it is for creating new ties

with and understanding the religions of different countries." Ms. Hueebok Kang, mayor of Asan city said in her welcoming remarks, "After all the events are finished, I wish for all the athletes to have long lasting fond memories of SunMoon University and Asan city." Rev. John Gehring said, "If you want to jump higher and become better, I want for us to do this through training and challenging ourselves."

Srilanka performed sports dance and Malaysia showed a display of dance for the opening ceremony. And the

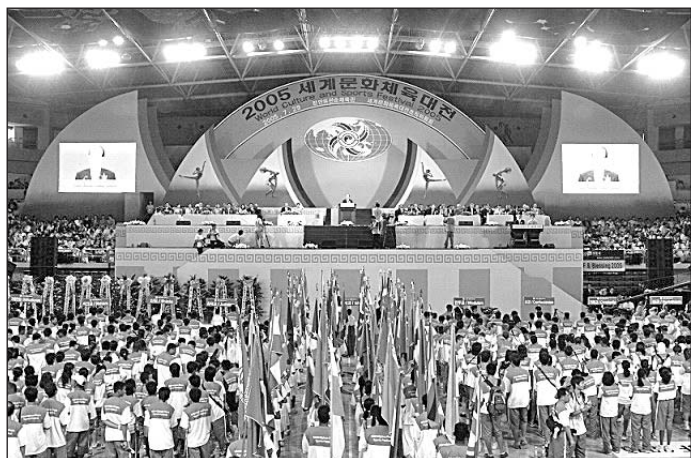
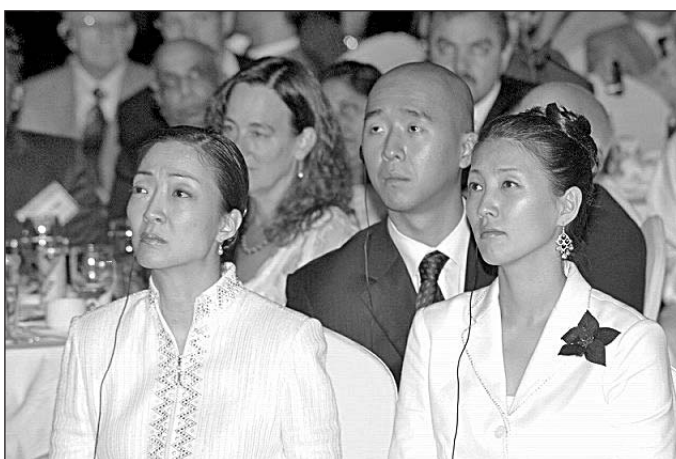
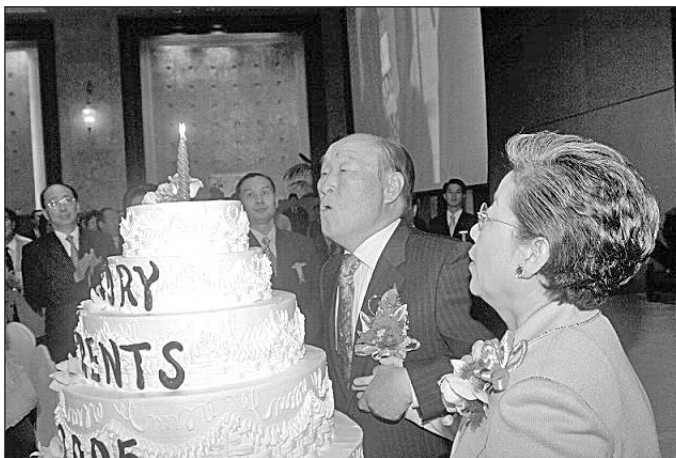
atmosphere was elevated through songs by the Asan City Choir and Colors of Love. The IPSF opening ceremony was concluded by the song from Colors of Love. Fong Soo Seng (Malaysia) commented, "It was fun to be able to see cultures of each country. I was especially impressed by the sports dance."

The audience was entertained with a spectacular flag dance as well as a synchronized umbrella dance. The grand finale beautifully symbolized the unity of the world in colorful harmony and excitement.

In the evening the IPSF participants gathered together with the local people of Cheonan to celebrate the Global Family Festival. Hundreds of people enjoyed the foods and folk art of the world's cultures and were entertained as they share together in the spirit of one world family.

One of the most unique aspects of the program was when the community gathered around the gigantic bowl of Bibimbop ingredients and had the honor of mixing the

evening's meal. It was truly an intercultural experience❖



WCSF 2005 International Blessing Ceremony of 400 Million Couples

The 6th phase of the Interreligious and International Blessing Ceremony of 400 million couples was held in the Yu Gwan Soon Gymnasium in Chonan, Korea, at 11 a.m. on August 1, 2005. The gymnasium was packed with young couples and representatives of the religions and nations of the world who gathered for the celebration of marriage, family and peace.

Dr. Hwang Sun-jo, master of ceremonies with the translation of Dr. Kim Lin, began the worldwide blessing ceremony. Mr. Song Young-seok, chairman of the preparation committee of the World Cultural and Sports Festival 2005, offered the opening prayer. After that the chairman of the organizing committee, Dr. Kwak Chung-hwan, gave the main address. Emphasizing the importance of the family and true education within the family, he said that without the foundation of the ideal family, peace and prosperity in society cannot be realized. He said the recent conferences and seminars demonstrated to world leaders that the problems of the world today can be solved by establishing good families. Accordingly, this ceremony was not just a religious ritual by one particular religion but a ceremony for the salvation of nations and the world.

Following Dr. Kwak's address, representatives of the world's major religions -- Christianity, Judaism, Islam, Buddhism and Hinduism -- offered invocations and congratulations.

After the entrance of 16 attendants (exemplary couples who had been blessed in the past), the True Parents of humankind entered the main hall to officiate at the ceremony.

Dr. Kwak read the report to heaven, asking Heavenly Father to let all the couples around the world who were participating in this ceremony be blessed to establish ideal families. Following that, True Parents conducted the holy water ceremony on the stage; this was carried out by their representatives throughout the gymnasium and every corner of the world. This was followed by the affirmation of the blessing vows, in which all participants promised to become ideal men and women and ideal husbands and wives, create ideal families by giving birth to ideal children, and become ideal leaders for the future.

True Parents gave the blessing invocation. True Father poured out all his love and energy, reporting about the course of history and the trials he went



through in order to indemnify all the failures of the past so that humanity could reach this stage of receiving the blessing of marriage.

After that, True



Parents gave blessing rings to three couples on the stage. Each couple then exchanged rings, symbolizing the true love, true life and true lineage which will characterize their relationship for eternity. After that, True Parents proclaimed the holy blessing of 400 million couples before heaven and earth.

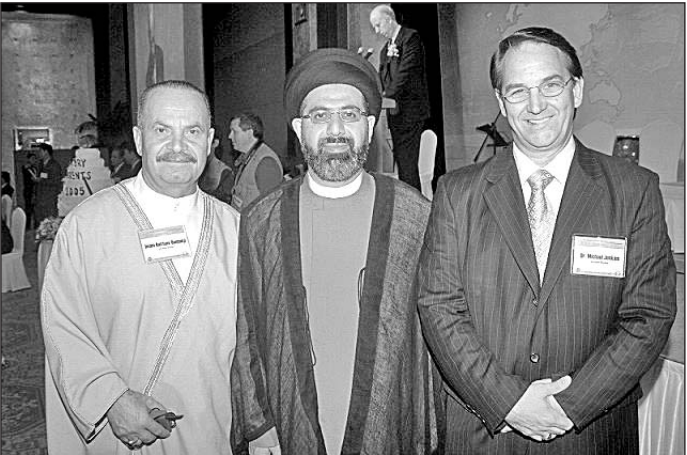
that the happiest participant in this celebration of love and marriage must be God. He referred to the conferences that took place during the WCSF 2005 and thanked True Parents for all their hard work for world peace. He noted that many good young people in his nation had been educated by the Unifi-



Then the former prime minister of Mongolia gave the congratulatory address. He said that he was so happy to be present, and he felt that the happiest participant in this celebration of love and marriage must be God. He referred to the conferences that took place during the WCSF 2005 and thanked True Parents for all their hard work for world peace. He noted

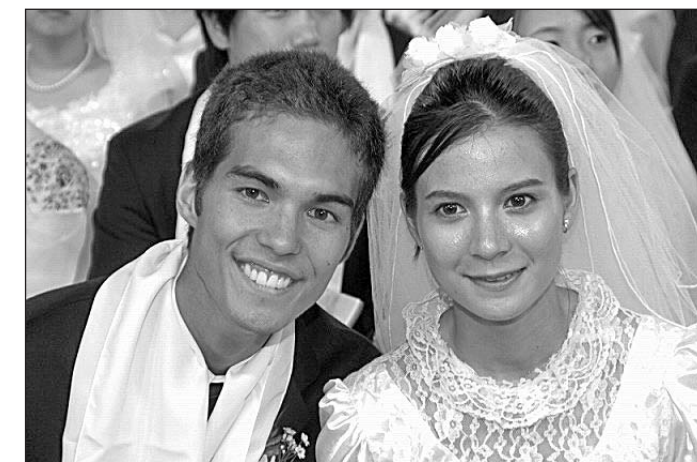
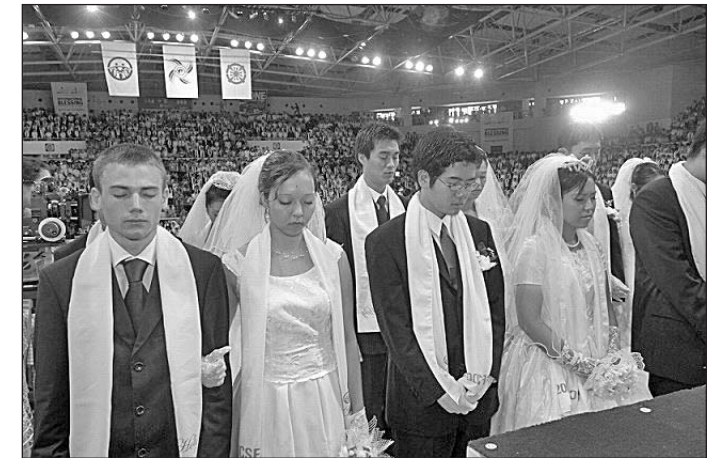
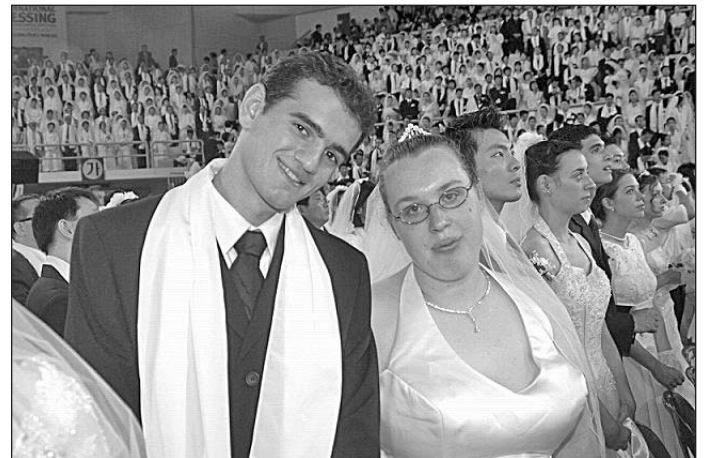
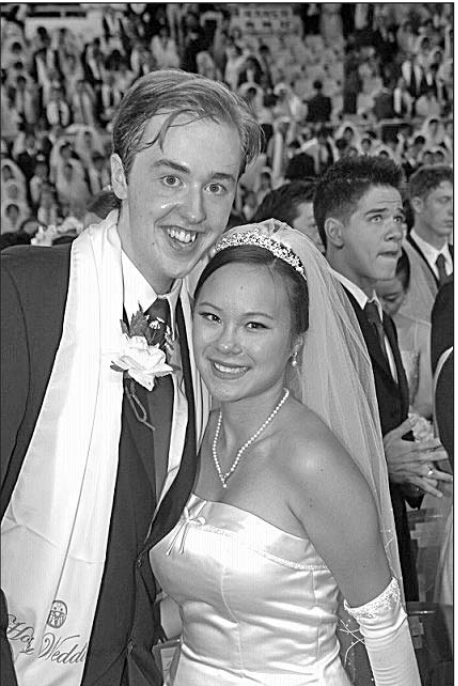
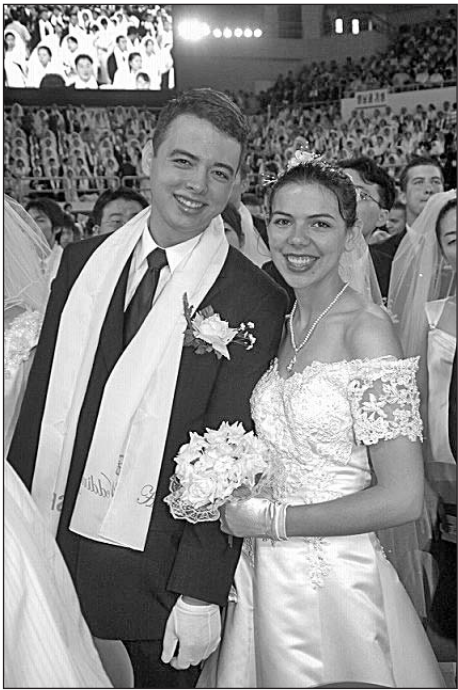
cation Movement during the past ten years.

The Color of Love singing group offered a congratulatory song, followed by the presentation of flowers and gifts by two representative couples in appreciation to True Parents. Then all the brides and grooms offered a bow of appreciation, first to the True Parents of humankind and then to their parents and families in their home countries. The ceremony concluded with three cheers of eog mansei, led by True Parents.❖



WCSF 2005 International Blessing Ceremony of 400 Million Couples

August 1, 2005
Chonan, Korea



The 3rd International STF Assembly

July 26 - 31, 2005
Cheongshim Youth Center at
Cheong Pyeong

The historic 3rd International STF Assembly 2005 came as the exciting experience of a lifetime for the 460 STF members who attended, at the Cheongshim Youth Center at Cheong Pyeong Lake in Korea from July 26th to 31st.

They came as representatives of STF chapters in Korea, Japan, USA, Europe and Latin America. It was a profound experience for these young brothers and sisters to discover a common heart, transcending languages and cultures, and a common longing to liberate the heart of our Heavenly Father, True Parents and True Family. All could feel a strong oneness of purpose for the 2nd Generation, to become the Owners of God's Providence.

All the STF members have been working hard fundraising, witnessing and serving with Service for Peace throughout this past year. Their hard work and efforts paid off when they could share their experiences over the past year with one another. Besides the opportunity to share testimonies, they were also able to entertain each other with well-prepared heartistic performances.

The schedule was packed with activities and opportunities to learn. Each day began with Hoon Dok Hae, followed by activities such as white water rafting, a prayer walk to Cheong Pyeong Training Center, sports activities, fundraising and Service For Peace activities, and inspirational talks from Shin Won-nim (Hyun Jin-nim's eldest son), Rev. Kwak, the STF directors, Akiko Ikeno and others. The days often ended with testimonies, entertainment and prayer.

Of course the highlight of the International STF Assembly was Hyun Jin Nim's speech to almost 1,300 brothers and sisters, (mostly 2nd Generation.) He seemed to feel very comfortable in the presence of STF members and shared his heart very freely. He inspired the STF members to challenge themselves more, and they responded to his challenge enthusiastically!

The following morning STF members attended Hoon Dok Hae with True Parents at Hanamdong; for many of them it was their first opportunity to meet with True Parents.



All of the activities were meant to challenge and inspire, and energize. It was an unforgettable experience for all in attendance and the only sadness experienced was when we had to part from brothers and sisters in order to return to our home countries. ❖



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the Providence. Now is the time to flee from this world of anxiety, fear and confusion, and follow the teachings of the True Parents to establish God's Kingdom of Peace on earth. If you, the citizens of the leading nation of the democratic world, cannot do it, God will accomplish His will nonetheless, even by educating atheists in formerly communist countries to do so.

The State of Resonance

Ladies and gentlemen, how can we become intermediaries who can unite with the will of heaven? We should enter a state of resonance with God. In nature, resonance occurs when two objects vibrate with the same frequency. Sound waves of harmonic frequency create resonance. The resonating objects no longer vibrate independently, but begin to move around one center. In the same way, when a person's spirit self and physical self resonate with each other and begin to revolve centering on God's true love, the person's spiritual cells and physical cells begin to function together. His or her physical eyes, for example, will vibrate in step with their spiritual eyes, and they will be able to see not only the physical world but also the complete reality of the spirit world.

For the same reason, when we reach the state where our spirit self and physical self become one by the explosive force of true love, we will resonate with the earthly world, the heavenly world and even with God. What is the force that can move our mind and body into a state where they resonate 100 percent? It is not God's wisdom, efficacy, or power. Only His true love can do it.

Every human being has a dual structure, consisting of mind and body. Each man and each woman has a mind and a body. So when a man and a woman come together, it could be said that there are four entities present. If they are not united, it could be chaos. But these four become naturally one when they resonate with God's true love.

Lords of Creation Who Can Inherit God's Kingdom

Ladies and gentlemen, it is a law of the universe that for every particular being or central core, there will always be a second being that revolves around it as its partner. The relationship between God and human beings is an expression of the same principle that causes electrons to revolve around protons. The human mind, like an electron, forms a relationship with and interacts with God's mind as if it were protons. By this principle God carries out His Providence of Restoration.

Indeed, as you delve into the words of truth, you will experience how God's life energy and love commune with one another. As the Apostle Paul said, it is because God loves us as His children that we shine as lights unto the world.

The truth is eternal and unchanging. But how in this evil world can you distinguish between good and evil in order to travel the path of truth? The answer is this: turn away from the pursuit of self-aggrandizement and place yourselves in a low, humble position. The Bible says, "Whoever humbles himself will be exalted." (Matthew 23:12) The essence of a human being is spiritual. When people die and go to spirit

world, they understand much more clearly that essentially human beings are created to live for the sake of others. Nonetheless, we have not been able to escape from selfishness and individualism because we still are yoked to Satan by the shackles of his fallen lineage.

You should now eat spiritual food. Between spiritual food and physical food, which do you think should be the tastier? If you are to survive and stand on the side of God, you should prefer the taste of spiritual food. This means that you should prefer a life based on spiritual strength rather than a life based on physical strength.

It is said that human beings are the lords of creation. Yet a person does not

both an invisible mind and a visible body. If we had preserved the relationship of mind and body that God had intended, then the mind and body, though distinct and different from each other in terms of function, would be eternally united and whole.

Please consider your own life. I don't think you can deny that your mind and body are often fighting each other. How much longer are you going to allow this fight to continue? Ten years? A hundred years? Or will it not end even when you die? There is a definite order designed for all beings in the universe. This means God did not create us to exist in the imperfect state in which we now find ourselves. Your task now is to empower your mind and subdue your body.



become a lord of creation simply by virtue of being human. To be minimally qualified, a person must not live mainly for him or herself. They are rightly called lords who live for others and serve the whole. God is trying to accomplish His will through such people. God is not building the Kingdom of Heaven for Himself. By having such selfless people build the Kingdom, He wants it to belong to them.

God created human beings to live forever. But if we were unable to cast off the yoke of this evil world during our sojourn of one hundred years or so on the earth, how would our life be superior to that of an animal? Because we are spiritual beings, we should differ from animals. It turns out that the reason human beings can be lords of creation is that our hearts never grow old. Nature is always changing. Even a rock, a symbol of permanence, cannot endure forever the effects of erosion. Only the human heart was created with the potential to remain unchanging for eternity. Hence the title, "lord of creation," cannot be awarded based upon one's money or knowledge. It is not based on power. It is only based on the true unchanging love—God's love.

Becoming Original Human Beings

Ladies and gentlemen, what are the ties that will bind original human beings to each other? Original relationships involve sharing joy and exhibiting the values of praise and respect for each other. Above all, they manifest perfect true love within the realm of God's absolute love.

Thus, original human beings are to encapsulate the harmonious oneness of all relationships in heaven and on earth. This is the very reason we have

The grace of Heaven will be with you in this effort.

In the relationship between the mind and body, the mind is the more important of the two. The body persists for about a hundred years and then passes away, but the mind, or spirit, will live for eternity, transcendent of time and space. You may spend your days on earth eating and dressing extravagantly, but someday you will die, and then what? You are better off setting a good spiritual standard and then harmonizing your physical life to that standard. Make of yourself a person of integrity and wholeness embracing both spirit and flesh.

Building the Peace Kingdom

Respected leaders of the United States, we are now entering a glorious age. The Kingdom of Heaven on earth, God's ideal of creation, is being established before your eyes. This is the Peace Kingdom. In my life of more than 80 years, I have walked a lonely path. Heaven called me to walk that path, soaked with blood, sweat and tears. Now, that effort is bearing victorious fruit for the sake of all six billion people of the world.

In more than 180 countries, Ambassadors for Peace have inherited Heaven's will and tradition. They are working hard, day and night, proclaiming the values of true love and true families. They are moving forward with full force to establish world peace. In the Middle East, one of the world's tinderboxes, Jews, Christians and Muslims have found the resources in my philosophy of peace to engage in a new dimension of dialogue for peace. Unification Thought played an important role in ending the Cold War. I am now playing a decisive role behind the scenes to

bring about the unification of my homeland, Korea.

But ladies and gentlemen, that is not enough to satisfy me. I began my life's work at the command of Heaven. I have come as the True Parent of humankind with God's anointing, and I am determined to keep my promise to Him to create a united world of peace.

As I stand here today on this platform, I would like to make a truly important historic declaration to humanity. For thousands of years, Satan used the Bering Strait to separate East and West, North and South, as well as North America and Russia geographically. I propose that a bridge be constructed over the Bering Strait, or a tunnel be dug under it, so that it will be able to connect the world super high way starting from the Cape of Good Hope in South Africa to Santiago in Chile, and from London to New York, making the world a single community. I would call this, "The World Peace King Bridge-Tunnel."

Ladies and Gentlemen, to succeed with this dramatic and historic project, The United States of America, Russia, Europe, China, India, Japan, Brazil and all the nations and religions of the world should work hand in hand. With the complete success of this project, humankind will be one step closer to the Peace Kingdom on earth where there is no more division and war.

Heaven warns us that we can no longer tolerate separation and division. So let us really bind the world together as one community, tear down the walls of race, culture, religion, and nationality, and establish a world of peace on this earth. This

has been God's fervent desire. There is no other way. Humankind's current course of conflict and selfishness is a dead-end street. People are beginning to realize the significance and the hope in my teachings of "true love, true life and true lineage" which are the pivots of building the world peace. As the power of Heaven sweeps down upon the earth, even countries and peoples that appear strong today will run out of options and will surrender.

The choice is now yours. The Will of Heaven does not change. The teaching that I received in prayer 47 years ago is the same message to you who are living in the twenty-first century. The power and fortune of Heaven gave me the victory. Will you join in step with Reverend Moon as I rise, and work with me to establish true families, true societies, true nations and a true world on this earth? Or will you continue as a Satan's captive behind the wall of your religion, the wall of your culture, the wall of your nationality and the wall of your race, and spend the remainder of your life in agony and regret? Heaven is summoning brave generals who will turn this world of evil upside down and establish a new heaven and a new earth.

It is my sincere wish that each of you will have a fruitful and joyful experience during the World Culture and Sports Festival (WCSF), in whatever aspect of the festival you are participating.

Today I have delivered Heaven's message. Please inscribe it deep in your hearts and set new coordinates for your lives so that you may become wise leaders in the providence of God.

I pray that God's abundant blessing will be upon your families and upon your nations. ❖

by Dr. Chung Hwan Kwak

This address was given July 29, 2005 in Cheonan, Korea

World Culture and Sports Festival 2005 Welcoming Address

Esteemed leaders of every sphere of society from 120 nations, youth leaders of all faiths from the Interreligious Peace Sports Festival, distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen:

Welcome to the 2005 World Culture and Sports Festival, a festival of peace for heaven, the spirit world and humankind.

Humankind has endeavored throughout the ages to create a lasting world of peace, yet peace has eluded us so far.

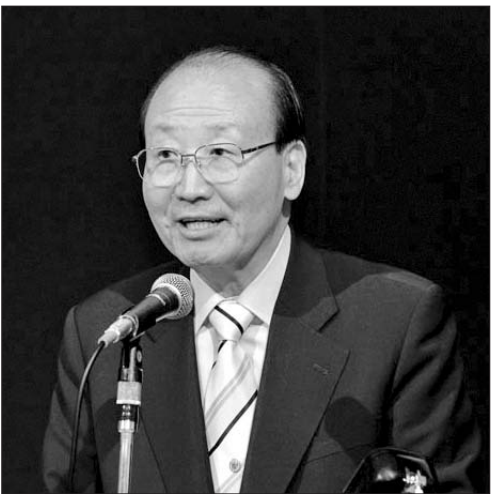
In over 400 volumes of sermons and speeches, and in the Divine Principle, Cheon Seong Gyeong and other selections of his speeches, Rev. Sun Myung Moon has revealed the source of humankind's misfortune and conflict and has elucidated the fundamental principles that shed light on the path towards peace through true love. To this, he has dedicated his entire life and has overcome the ignorance and persecution of those surrounding him. Now his endeavors to lay a foundation for building a world of peace have taken

visible form. An ideal world of peace is a global culture of true love and heart.

During the Seoul Olympics in 1988, Rev. Sun Myung Moon proposed the holding of a World Culture and Sports Festival. The Olympics, World Cup Tournament and various other exhibitions being held in the world today have become too commercialized. Unable to overcome barriers between political factions, denominations, ethnic groups, races and nations, they are inept at fulfilling their original role of becoming festivals for world peace. For this reason, the World Culture and Sports Festival is being held as a venue for fostering harmony among the peoples of the world and thereby engendering the creation of a culture of true love. Beginning with the first festival in 1992, the World Culture and Sports Festival is now being held for the eleventh time.

Distinguished world leaders and young people who will bear the responsibility of ensuring the future world is one of peace:

The World Culture and Sports Festival has focused on important agen-



das, centering on practices expressive of international, interracial and interreligious true love under themes such as The Realization of One Global Family, One Brotherhood in the Global Village, and Good Governance for a New World Order of Lasting Peace.

The World Culture and Sports Festival, with its component events—the Interreligious Peace Sports Festival, the International Marriage Blessing Ceremony, the World CARP Convention, the

Youth Peace Camp, Service for Peace and its service activities, and the IIFWP Assembly—is not a simple, isolated occasion. It is a sacred festival by which we

are striving, together with God and True Parents, toward the substantial realization of a world of peace as originally conceived by God—that is, a world of true love and a culture of heart that has been the hope of humankind throughout the ages.

This festival from this point on will be held every two years. In particular, from 2007, the Peace Cup Tournament, a soccer festival for peace, will also be held as a part of the World Culture and Sports Festival.

Your passion and purity of heart will transcend the walls that divide religions, races, ethnic groups and nations to guide this world toward God's ideal of peace. I am convinced that the character, spontaneous efforts and spiritual wisdom of the participants here can drive away the conflict, struggle and strife that marked the era before the coming of heaven to create a culture and world of true love in the era after the coming of heaven, where harmony and unity among God, humankind and the natural world is achieved.

May God's blessing be on all of you during the events of this festival. ❖

Global Family Festival

The Global Family Festival which is a part of the program to invite local citizens for IPSF 2005. This event, held July 30, that was held with foreigners was organized by the Service for Peace Global Family Center and the Global Family Festival Committee. The Global Family Festival was held on the 29th on the outdoor field of the Cheonan Sports Complex.

The International Service Camp is being held from the 23rd to the 31st. Here, Foreigners and Koreans are going to make one-to-one brotherhood and sisterhood ties with each other transcending race, nation, and culture, and

participate in a range of service activities. The other day on the 24th, over 40 students from local schools including Cheonan High School and Buk-il Girl's High School, and around 10 foreign students studying at the Korean Language Institute at Sunmoon University came together to enjoy rafting as a service activity for 50 children that came from orphanage centers such as Puranna, Aeyook-won, and Samil Yoogawon.

The organizer of this event, Mr. Taekyeong Kim, executive director of the Global Family Center explained, "The International Peace Service Camp

became a good chance to provide the children in these institutes with cultural experiences which they had been directly lacking and moreover, it became an opportunity for them to meet and make friends with foreigners."

Service activities that are conducted with foreigners during IPSF 2005 include the Noguli service project on the 28th and the facilities service on the 31st. During the service projects, 80 foreigners who have participated in IPSF 2005 will visit the 'House of Love' (a name coined in Korean for an orphanage facility) and provide services such as making one-to-one brotherhood and sisterhood ties, do the laundry, paint, bathe,

and spend quality time with the children.

The Global Family Culture Festival was held on the outdoor field at the Cheonan Sports Complex at 4 p.m. on the 29th. There was a diverse program planned for this event including lunch-

will all directly go through the Sri Lanka embassy to the SFP Children's Center that is providing tsunami aid to the children there.

Ms. Hwamyeong Kang, manager of PR for the Global Family Festival 2005 committee, comments, "There were many culture events until now but I



box, bibimbab, a display of the traditional pungmul performance, culture performances, and a bazaar. The field was transformed into a fair where people had the chance to directly experience the foods, clothing, and traditional styles of play from different countries all in one place. There was even a part during the Global Family Festival called the lunchbox event where 1,500 people made Jeonju bibimbab in one huge bowl and eat together in the meaning of promoting one global family. The entrance fee was 5,000won per single visitor and 10,000won for a family of 4. The profits made during this event

believe this is the first time that foreigners and Koreans were able to come together regardless of nationality, race, language, or religion and do service activities for the socially shunned people around us and celebrate in harmony." He also stated, "I think that the Global Family Festival is a place of camaraderie and harmony that can bring about peace for humanity. When people sweat doing service activities for others, when foreigners meet each other and understand each other sharing love, I believe that true peace can be attained."❖





REV. MICHAEL JENKINS

Rev. Jenkins is the President of the American Church

Festival in the Fatherland

Several major conferences have been held in Seoul including the United Nations Peacekeeping Korean War Memorial Federation (UPKMF). Veterans from sixteen nations gathered with us to memorialize those who were lost in the Korean war and to rekindle the commitment of those 16 nations for the reunification of Korea. Those nations are Australia, Belgium, Canada, Colombia, Ethiopia, France, Greece, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Philippines, South Africa, Thailand, Turkey, United Kingdom and the United States of America.

The American delegation was composed of 24 outstanding veterans who gave their blood for this central battle to stop communism and to prepare for the Peace Kingdom. Brothers and Sisters, there is something amazing about the veterans in terms of the spirit they bring when gathered together. They were young men then, and many came out of duty. So many gave everything to secure peace for the world. Many tears were shed and many deep testimonies came forth. Over 250 gathered from the 16 nations. It was the first time that such a delegation came together that represented all the nations who sent troops into battle representing the UN.

Many were prisoners of war. They could understand Father's prison course in Hung Nam prison for 2 years and 8 months. Quite a number were recipients of the purple heart. The trip was a combination of visits to the DMZ and other memorial sites that were of significance. We also visited and were welcomed by the 6th Infantry division of the ROK Army. When we arrived at the base on the border of the North and South they welcomed us waving the flags of the 16 nations.

The Central director of the UPKMF is Dr. Son, who is also international head of the Professors World Peace Academy. Dr. Son is a member of the 777 blessed couples. His leadership was excellent. He understood Father's heart and idea for this historic endeavor. Dr. Lee, who is very well known as a scholar and head of influential organizations for the Unification of Korea has been appointed by Father as President. General Lello of South African is now the current head of the International Association of Korean War Veterans and is known to all veteran associations. (This is not a group we started). His presence as a core leader of the advisory committee. This also contributed to the wide acceptance of the UPKMF. Our continental director Dr. Chang Shik Yang is also one of the special representatives. He helped to guide the conference very well and helped the Korean generals and the congressman to understand this historic work.

Also interesting was the support from

key Korean Political and Military leaders. General Cho and General Kim along with Congressman Chi, all who carry great influence have become the core advisory committee of the UPKMF. This meant that everywhere our delegation went official welcome was secured from the military at each place.

Also in support of this effort were the 16 "special advisors" that Father appoint-

world. Therefore it could be said that this war was a Holy struggle that had great bearing on the course of history and the free world. What was also significant was the reality of what they saw in terms of the work of our movement and True Parents to embrace the North in the last 15 years. Based on the theme of loving your enemy our movement has become an important contributor to the peace process.

These veterans are people of strong families and strong moral values. For them it was an enormous breath of fresh air to hear the UPKMF basic philosophy that promotes strong families and respect for all races and peoples. Many took it to heart that the same methodology must also be applied to the battle with terrorism. The battle must not be fought now with weapons, but rather with Truth and Love.

There are many many testimonies, we will be sharing them with you. God was present and acknowledged everywhere and the veterans loved it. Democracy without God can lead mob rule, however Democracy as that which was created in America that is founded on the underpinnings of faith and "we hold these

realized what they were fighting for. Another veteran shared that the most encouraging thing for him was to see a "twinkle" in the eyes of the Korean people now. He remembered so vividly that there was only total despair and hopelessness before during the war. Another shared how he had been on an advance team to "call in" artillery and he was deep inside enemy lines. Bodies were everywhere and his small unit of a few men came upon a Korean mother who was tightly grasping her two young children. All three had died together. They could not know who died first, the children or the mother. But the veteran testified when he heard Father's talk about True Love this memory came into his mind and he immediately was deep in tears. Even though the time on that hill for this unit was so urgent as the waves of Chinese were coming in a short time, they all felt the spirit of God. They felt we must lay this beautiful Korean mother to rest with her children. We must give her honor and dignity. They buried there with her children and were overwhelmed with the feeling that they must pray to God to sanctify their resting place. He wept as he shared this testimony.

The Turkish brigade that were praised by General MacArthur and President Eisenhower for their bravery and great fighting spirit went to Pusan with our delegation to the UN cemetery. There they were looking at the graves of their comrades from Turkey and they found their best friend. They had grown up together from grade school. Four of them. They did everything together as boys, in sports, in school, these four were inseparable. Four went to Korea for the war. Three came back. They never knew what happened to their friend and brother.

It always left a deep emptiness in their hearts. Suddenly at the UN site in Pusan, they found his grave site with his name. They all began to cry. They had finally found their buddy and their friend, they prayed and they thanked God that they could "visit" him one last time. They felt they were totally liberated and that he also was liberated. They could finally begin the period to heal their hearts.

These were just a small tip of the iceberg of what went on with these beautiful men who fought against communism to lay the foundation to secure the Fatherland.

I am very grateful to the Korean War veterans. I am deeply deeply moved by their spirit. They are so strongly encouraged by True Parents and this new association.

Our beautiful NJ contingent Joe, Jerry and Albert are great Americans (Rev. Dairo Ferraboli's friends). They are ready to get American Korean War Veterans in the "movement" of the UPKMF.

I sincerely thank Father Moon for his incredible vision and understanding of how to catch the hearts of those who sacrificed so much. We pray that the 16 will now make a great contribution to the Unification of the Fatherland. ❖



ed as Ambassadors of True Parents to the 16 nations. These national "Peace King / Ambassadors" also supported this historic conference. Somehow the 16 nations that gathered 55 years ago to unify Korea were successful at stopping communism from taking over all of Korea, but unfortunately they could not secure the whole nation. Therefore the 16 nations are reassembling now to complete the work that was to be done, that is the peaceful reunification of Korea. This time not by war, but by the creation of a movement to support, educate and embrace the people of the North together with the South. The peaceful reunification has begun.

The coordinator / MC of the effort was Mr. Jim Flynn, President of the AFC in America. Ms. Gail Paine was our special coordinator for the American veterans. As always, his work was excellent and of the highest quality.

Lecture presentations were given to the veterans by Dr. Walsh, myself, and a number of IIFWP representatives. Finally Rev. Kwak guided the veterans and gave them the gift of the Holy juice and blessing. This was great moment.

At the final banquet many were appointed as Ambassadors for Peace. A new era



truths to be self evident that all men are created equal" are essential to realize the dream of self governance. Only those who are internally governed by moral principles and faith in God can truly manifest a just society. Without God, we are simply material beings with no higher authority, with God the principles that are inherent in all of nature become the spiritual foundation for holding us together as a people of all races, religions and cultures. Amazingly, the veterans understood this very well.

There were many moving experiences. Mr. Robert Steele a Korean war veteran and his son John a veteran of the U.S. Army. They were on the tour and demonstrated a great depth of heart and sincerity. They really expressed their love for the Korean people and the hope they felt to see that their sacrifices were not in vain.

One veteran suddenly at dinner began sobbing and sobbing while sitting with Archbishop Stallings (Peace King Ambassador to Thailand). He shared that he so much had become clear for him now. He didn't believe in God before this trip and the war never made sense to him. But on this day he proclaimed he had discovered God and



has dawned. Particularly inspiring to the veterans was the education they received concerning the fact that the Korean war was not a simple "political" conflict but became the most central battle line between the forces of atheistic communism and the God affirming free

Interreligious Peace Sports Festival

The closing of IPSF took place in the midst of great enthusiasm and excitement on August 1st at the Gymnasium of the Sun Moon, Asan campus. All those involved in the festivities of the last nine days were faced with the finality of the moment. From the next day many would be leaving to their respective homes and the excitement of the festival would only be a sweet memory. But the closing itself gave another precious moment to be added to our collage of cherished recollections.

As the program began the crowd joined together in harmony chanting the symbol of peace in Hinduism "OM" permeating the air with the spirit of peace. Dr. Lee, the President of Sun Moon, addressed the crowd reminding them that through IPSF we could show the world how to live together in peace and harmony.

A special award was given to the two dance teams from Sri Lanka one representing the Sinhalese ethnic group and one representing the Tamil ethnic group. These two groups are now in confrontation in their country unable to come to a peaceful solution. As part of the closing program the two troupes did a beautiful peace dance together symbolizing their desire to create unity and peace in their war torn country.

As a central part of the program, Sportsmanship Awards were given to individuals as well as teams representing each religion that embodied the spirit of IPSF. The Individual Sportsmanship Awards went to: Shin-toism Kenichi, Japan; Christianity Nirnanjan, Sri Lanka;

Buddhism Niluka Githani, Sri Lanka; Hinduism, Saradha, India; Confucianism, Mr. Hwang, Taiwan; Unificationism, Ken Bourget, England; Sikhism, Manjeet Madan, India; Judaism, Hila Ben-Ezry, Israel; Islam, Zabbihulah Solani, Afghanistan. The Team Sportsmanship Awards went to: Women's Team-Basketball, Judaism, Israel; Men's Team-Basketball, Christianity, Sri Lanka.

As a new addition this year there was an award presented, the Founder's Award, which is given to the IPSF participant who demonstrated an example of service and high moral standard in the past year. Gayan Sameera from Sri Lanka who participated in the shot put event also last year was given the honor for his involvement in service projects especially helping not only his

own countrymen but also those in Thailand who suffered from last year's tsunami disaster.

In the final address of the closing program IPSF International Director, John Gehring encouraged the athletes to bring the things they learned home with them to their community. He reminded us that the participants should model character, goodness and service in their daily life. John Gehring said, "We must create a revolution of the Heart."

The evening was capped with music and dancing with a peace dance being presented by the Taiwanese group. The spirit was lifted to the highest level when Kelly from the educational committee led us in an appreciation exercise. She encouraged us to distribute roses to all those we felt to appreciate after our times together. Sharing the rose coupled with words of appreciation filled the hall with love and happiness as we passed the love around the room

Yi-Ming-Wu, confucianist from Taiwan won men's singles title in Tennis as Lee-Sille_Park, Unificationist from ROK won the title in women's single.

In Track & Field, Metka, Christian from Slovenia finished first in 100M (Women). In 200M (Men), Yong-U, Unificationist from Korea finished first as Wei-Chen and Ching-Chun, both Confucianists from Taiwan settled for second and third positions.

In 800M (Men), gold went to Nirnanjan, Christian from Sri Lanka as Silver was taken by

Sevgun, Hindu from India. Third position was grabbed by Dinesh Chamarra, a Buddhist from Srilanka. 800M (Women) had Buddhists from Srilanka take first and the third position while Hindu from India took the second.

In 1500M (Men), Hyoung-Gu, Unificationist from Korea closed at 4'03"46, Sergei, Christian from Russia finished second and Sevgun, Hindu from India closed in third.

5000M (Men) had Sergie, Christian of Russia go for gold, Kassa of Judaism, Israel went for silver, while Jung Shu, of Confucianism, Japan got bronze.

In Shot Put (Men), In-Seong, Unificationist from Korea came first, as Ebenezar, Hindu, from India stood second and Sergei, Christian from Russia came third. ♦



Afghans have a Taste of Peace through IPSF

Referring to the UN International Year of Sport 2005, Kofi Anan said, "Sport is a universal language that can bring people together, no matter what their origin, background, religious beliefs or economic status." The world is looking to the value of sport to help the world to come together and develop on a new level. The Interreligious Peace Sports Festival with over 1,200 participants took place in South Korea from July 23rd to August 1st has the same intention. Bringing 54 nations together from 11 different religious backgrounds the festival had the goal to transcend cultural barriers and form deep bonds of friendship and cooperation. This year the countries included in the competition included such war torn countries as Afghanistan, Cambodia, Laos and Sri Lanka.

There were many barriers to overcome but finally the first Afghan delegation to the Interreligious Peace Sports Festival in Korea arrived. Three young representatives from the Afghan National Olympic Committee arrived to participate in the sports festival whose goal is to promote peace and corporation.

Only Abdul Latif Wahidi had been out of the country for competitions before to Saudi Arabia and to Islam-

abad for the Safe Games. But for the other two, Abdul Raquib Samidi and Zabbehullah Solangi, they had only ventured out of Afghanistan as refugees during the time of the Taliban. It was all new and exciting and this opportunity gave them an experience that they could never had imagined. The international scope of the event was something the Afghans could never had imagined in the past. It gave them a new outlook on the world.

Zabbehullah is only seventeen. Although one of the youngest in the competition he did well in the tennis contest. Coming from the Afghan mountains of Solang his family is poor. Now he was here in Korea ready to face the challenge. In the competitions he was able to make it to the quarter finals but was defeated by Yi Ming Wu a Taiwanese Confucianist contestant who finally took the gold. It was tough luck for Zabe to met Wu at such an early stage of the competition but he felt it was all worth it.

When Zabe was only eight years old a rocket hit his house in Kabul and killed his little sister. After that his family went to Iran as refugees where he was introduced to the "King's game", tennis. He taught himself the game with an old bro-

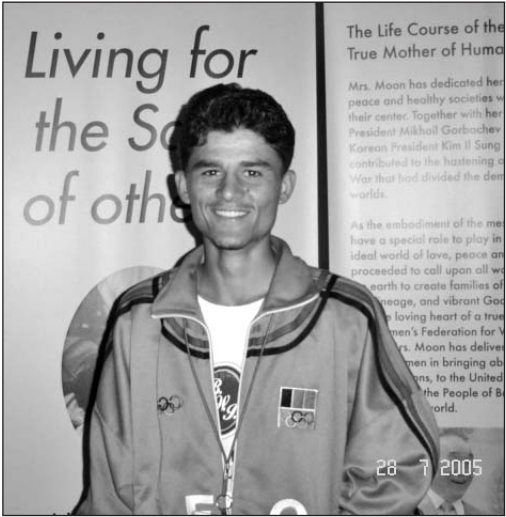


ken racket that was given to him by one of the member of a tennis club where he worked to help support his family. He trained himself and when he returned to Afghanistan the Olympic Committee took him under their wing and helped him develop his talents. His desire has always been to win an award on the international level.

Because of the political and economic situation in Afghanistan sports is not high on the national priority list, there are many more crucial issues in the war torn country that need attention. But these Afghan sportsmen realize that they can help their country through their sport. They want to change the image many have of Afghanistan through their excellence in their field. Although they weren't able to gain a medal during this festival they did

receive an award for good sportsmanship. Zabbehullah was awarded the Sportsmanship Award from the Muslim participants for his dedication to the spirit of IPSF. Because of his effort to go beyond his own nation, culture and religion and make friends and forge relationships of cooperation Zabe was given the award.

At IPSF 2005 the vision of the UN International year of sports was realized in the hearts of all those involved. As Kofi Anan said sports became their universal language and they came together overcoming barriers and building bridges. The Afghan participants went home tasting the spirit of peace through the harmonious interaction of all the athletes and staff giving them a vision of the bright future that is ahead of them. ♦



WCSP Press Conference

The IPSF international media team held a press conference about the ongoing IPSF at the SunMoon University international conference room on the 25 at 5 pm. Those that were present were Dr. Kyung June Lee, chairwoman of IPSF and also president of Sunmoon University; Rev. John Gehring, International Director of IPSF; Thomas G. Walsh, Secretary General of the Interreligious and International Federation for Woldr Peace(IIFWP).

Here are some of the questions and answers that were given.

Q1. I think that IPSF is an event exclusive to participants. Is there a way that we can work together with the local region for growth?

A1. IPSF will be held in Cheonan and Asan. Important VIP's from Asan participated in the opening ceremony and we also held a IPSF 2005 explanation fair inviting the delegation of a region on June 6. There are friendship

and culture events to promote exchange among youth of the different religions, races, and nations. The Asan City Coir sang for the opening ceremony and the Global Family Festival will be held where the local residents are welcome to participate.

Q2. Why are the teams divided according to religion?

A2. People all have different values. If this value is placed on the country, it is exclusive only to that country. However, the value of a religion goes beyond national borders. This is because one religion may be spread out through out several countries or continents. Religion allows us to find our own identity.

Q3. IPSF is an event with a good theme. Why is it only held in Korea?

A3. IPSF has a good relationship with Sunmoon University. Until now,

IPSF existed only conceptually but it was realized and came to grow in Korea. And the Middle East believes that this event is needed there. I believe that this will be held in other countries too.

Q4. Why can't we see any Korean representatives? Did you not contact the Minister of Cultural Affairs or the

Minister of Foreign Affairs?

A4. IPSF is an event belonging to the sports department of WCSF. The representatives of each religion in Korea will be taking part in the largest and most important event WCSF. The Minister of Cultural Affairs could not be present because IPSF is a small-scale event hosted by a private University. Therefore the Mister is planning to participate only at the general opening ceremony.

Some reporters that were at the press conference include reporter Hanpil Jeon, the Cheonan reporter from Joongang Ilbo; reporter Lee Jongil from Daejeon Ilbo; and reporter Lee Bong from Chungcheong Today. The religious leaders and reporters were greatly interested in IPSF and asked many questions. ♦



The 27th Mr. and Miss University International Beauty Pageant 2005

On July 30, the 27th Mister and Miss University 2005 Beauty Pageant was held at the Little Angels Performing Arts Center in Seoul, Korea. Student delegates from different parts of the globe participated in this prestigious event to celebrate peace, beauty, camaraderie and culture. The winners are to become Campus Peace Ambassadors for One World Family to spread the culture of peace in their campuses, communities and the world.

It started out more impressive than ever with dazzling 3D laser special effects and dance performances. The MMUI was first held in Tokyo, Japan in 1978. Since then it has welcomed its 27th time this year. It is interesting to note that in order to promote world peace, rather than emphasizing external beauty, MMUI focuses on the internal qualities of the human being such as academics, service, attitude and mind-set, leadership, character, sincerity, and purity.

A total of 16 countries participated in this year's event: America, Chinese Taipei, Estonia, Hungary, India, Japan, Kenya, Korea, Lebanon, Mongolia, Nepal, Philippines, Russia, Tanzania, Thailand, and Tianjin China. There was a male and female contestant from each nation. 8 judges evaluated performances including a talent show, formal wear parade, and on-the-spot open interview to select the awardees.

Mr. America and Miss Thailand were announced as First Runners Up.

The Talent Awards went to Mr. Tanzania, who performed a creative show about cooking, and Miss Tianjin China, who performed a traditional Chinese dance.

Mr. Tianjin China and Miss Philippines won the Service Awards for their outstanding performance and leadership during the DMZ project.

The Mr. and Miss University International 2005 Awards went to Mr. Korea and Miss Russia, who thanked all the organizers and each delegate for the memorable experience that they had in Korea during the entire course of the pageant.

The day that everyone was waiting for finally arrived. Even as the day started with another rehearsal session, the delegates could be seen with a little extra hop in their step. A walk thru of the whole program occupied the whole morning as the delegates were better prepared having a better sense of knowing where to stand and when to enter

and get off stage. Just like the day before, however, standing on stage in the hot light and doing a lot of waiting behind stage drained the delegates. But huge gleams filled their faces when they saw the pizza and hamburgers arriving for lunch.

All the delegates enjoyed their meal as many quickly gobbled down their food. Before resuming the next session, some of the delegates got in a little fun on stage. Miss America and Tanzania imitated being emcees, calling on people to perform songs; some good, some bad, but the key ingredient was fun and laughter as they enjoyed a time to relax as one family before the big show.

A small practice of announcing the finalists and winners took place before the delegates started getting ready. With a makeup room set up between the men's and women's dress rooms, the delegates came out flashing in their national costumes. Even before the main event, just being in backstage with these beautiful young men and women was an honor. Some family, friends, and guests of the delegates came to take pictures, but most of them were found being anxious, practicing their Q&A answers or walking around trying to calm themselves down.

When the clock ticked 7pm, the show was ready to begin. There was a short opening dance performance before the delegates entered the stage in their glamorous national costumes and introduced themselves by country. Right from the start, the delegates wowed the crowd in their dazzling national wear, taking the breath from everyone in the audience.

Director of HR Development for MMUI, Mr. Massimo Trombin, who witnessed the pageant as one of the judges, said, "The collection of all the participants in their national costumes held so much power. It was such a stunning sight that left the whole crowd captivated."

A well made video, introducing MMU and its history briefed the audience about MMU and its goals leading the way for the 7 finalists of the talent show. They were: Miss Thailand, Mr. Russia, Miss Hungary, Mr. Tanzania, Miss Tianjin China, Mr. Chinese Taipei, and Miss Korea in that order. Miss Thailand drew the audience in with her graceful ballet mixed with traditional Thai dancing as Miss Korea playing her Korean



with the misses being, Miss Mongolia, Philippines, Thailand, and Russia. Soon after, the Q&A session took place between the delegates and the judges.

As the scoring was taking place, the group, Colors of Love performed. Many of the delegates rushed to the sides of the stage to enjoy their performance, taking many pictures. Before the announcement of the winner of the awards, Mister and Miss University International 2004 came on stage for a small interview explaining their experiences from last year's program and the service project they were called on to do as Campus Peace Ambassadors.

Finally, the moment of anticipation came as many of the delegates could be sensed with tension. There were four prizes for each: the Talent Award, Service Award, First Runner-up, and Mister & Miss University International 2005. The Talent Awards went to Mr. Tanzania, who performed a creative show of cooking and Miss Tianjin China, who performed a traditional Chinese dance. Mr. Tianjin China and Miss Philippines won the Service Award for their outstanding performance and leadership during the DMZ project.

Momentum was building up as Mr. America and Miss Thailand were announced as First Runner-ups leaving the air chilled and the crowd on the edge of their seats. As the winners of this year's pageant were being announced, a huge roar came from the audience as their homeland representative, Mr. Korea took the title of Mr. University International 2005. Before Miss University International 2005 could be announced, he was mobbed by the male delegates, showing the closeness of brotherhood that they built together. Miss. University International 2005 went to Miss Russia, and in her interview, started shedding tears of joy, congratulating and thanking every delegate for the awesome time she was able to experience.

It was a captivating night as small fireworks went off to signal the end of this wonderful festive event of beauty. It took awhile for the theater to empty, but there was nothing but cheers that left the whole place feeling moved by this show of harmony between external and internal beauty.❖



SAVE DR. BO HI PAK



InJin Nim's Letter to Members

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I feel compelled to write this letter concerning Dr. Pak's incarceration due to the tragic nature of the case and the strange turn of events that is keeping him in prison. One thing that I'd like to make clear from the beginning is that Dr. Pak has neither asked nor encouraged me to write this letter on his behalf. Frankly, I have not spoken to him for the past several years. But I know, having spoken to different members of his family, that Dr. Pak is truly sorry for the events that led up to his arrest and for bringing shame and embarrassment to his family, the brothers and sisters of the movement, and my own family.

Dr. Pak knows that he has made a terrible mistake in following bad investment advice from people with criminal motives and he takes full responsibility for his mistakes. If reprieve is not forthcoming, he will carry out his sentence faithfully to the end. After all, first and foremost, Dr. Pak is a soldier. He will live and die on whatever battlefield he finds himself. He has faithfully served his country during the Korean War as a Colonel and he has continued that service for God and True Parents over the course of five decades. Regardless of what battles await him, Dr. Pak will continue to live and fight for the cause that his heart has chosen with dignity, courage, and honor.

As a sister to my brother Dr. Pak, however, I cannot be at peace knowing that a beloved leader of our heavenly community is needlessly behind bars. Regardless of how people might feel about the circumstances that led to his arrest, the bottom line is that he is one of our own. How can we be a movement that turns our head away from a brother in need of our forgiveness, help, and love? Should we not forgive our brother's lapse in judgment? Let us not forget my father's call to forgive, love, and unite during the Watergate scandals in order to help President Nixon survive his Presidency. My father understood that Nixon was more than a man. He was a symbol of this nation. Likewise, Dr. Pak is not just a man. For many, he is a symbol of a faithful



public servant carrying out his duties as a prominent elder of our church. He is the face of Rev. Moon's most loyal disciple.

Thus, Dr. Pak's embarrassment is our own and his incarceration is an embarrassment to my father, Rev. Moon. Who can claim that he or she has never made mistakes in the course of his or her life? No one is perfect in that sense. Dr. Pak made a terrible mistake entrusting his faith in certain church members who introduced him to the fraudulent deal and believing that he possessed immunity from harm because he is God's and True Parent's disciple. As naive as this may sound, it could have happened to anyone. It could have happened to either you or me.

As a daughter of Rev. Moon, moreover, I cannot sit quietly and watch the world belittle my father as a callous and an uncaring person. Ever since the first news break on Dr. Pak's situation, I have been bombarded with questions and looks of disbelief from numerous friends and associates who see my father as a man without principles for letting a loyal follower, a friend, and a member of the Reverend's family through marriage, sit and rot away in prison. They ask why my father cannot find it in himself to forgive and help his in-law. They ask why my father allows certain individuals to advise his every move to the detriment of the very religion he has founded. They say that my father is an insecure man destroying the very visible disciple who helped him, along with other faithful followers, build the church. They ask why Dr. Pak is denied the hope of forgiveness and deliverance. They ask why millions are raised and spent on the promise of buying one's salvation with no regard for thinking beyond one's immediate family and lineage. They ridicule our church's feeding frenzy in wanting to liberate ancestors when one of our Elders is trapped in prison in need of immediate and desperate liberation.

Everyone is waiting for my father to act and save my father-in-law from prison. Why should this be the burden of my father alone? Why can't we help? In fact, why can't we take care of this problem by raising the money



SAVE DR. BO HI PAK

InJin Nim's Letter to Members



needed to get Dr. Pak out of prison? My father is a noble man, despite the fact that his inaction makes him look like a heartless leader. A king is only as good as the advisers with whom he surrounds himself and my father is no exception. He is making the best decision with the reports and advice that are made available to him by current leaders. This is the reason why I have put together a Save DP website where anyone interested in the case can have the facts at their fingertips.

As a mother of my children, furthermore, I want to raise my children in a movement that is worthy of their respect and devotion. Our children need heroes to inspire them. The young people of our movement need first generation examples of undying loyal service to True Parents and God that our elders have shown in their life of faith. Our young ones need to see and experience the admiration and appreciation awarded to old timers of our church who have sacrificed everything for the Providence. Our children need to know that their service to God will be remembered in the twilight years of their life as a badge of honor and not as a reason for resentment and regret.

But what kind of lessons are to be gleaned from the lack of action that our church is taking in regard to Dr. Pak's predicament? The church asks members for a lifetime of loyalty and service to God and True Parents. If so, shouldn't the church take care of those who have sacrificed their lives by returning the same loyalty and service that it has receive over the years? Who wants to dedicate his or her life to a movement that uses people and tosses them aside the minute that person becomes a liability? How can we discard one of the most visible followers of our True Parents when we're in the business of salvation and redemption? If my father can forgive the dastardly crimes of Hitler, Mussolini and etc, surely Dr. Pak should be for-



To North Korea

It is precisely during trying times that bonds of love and understanding are tested. If our movement is indeed a family then we have a moral obligation to help our brother in need. We cannot sit silently, letting our inaction speak louder than words. We cannot let the world criticize our True Father as a cold and a malicious man. We cannot let our elder brother, Dr. Pak, waste away in prison.

I know that so many members want to help. They just don't know how. They thought that there was very little they could do to alter Dr. Pak's situation. But when the truth of the case was shared with different brothers and sisters of our community, I have been moved time and time again by their beautiful hearts and their willingness to do whatever it takes to liberate my father-in-law. And in the grand tradition of the True Family, I am asking for nothing short of a miracle. I believe that we can raise the funds necessary to guarantee Dr. Pak's release from prison. I believe that we can accomplish our goal without burdening my father with pleas for help. Please contribute as generously as your heart dictates.

For the sake of this effort, I have put together a CD called Crimson Sketches. This is a home made cause-driven product, an offering from my family to help raise funds needed to save Dr. Pak. I'm not delusional in my old age to think that I'm a professional singer or a fine musician. It's just an expression of my heart, mere sketches of feelings in the course of one's life. It's not a confessional piece of work or a diary etched in song. It is what it is.

Thank you so much for your hard work over the years. We, as members of the True Family, are grateful for your sacrifice and service. I truly hope that we can pull together as a community to save Dr. Pak. I believe that the fate of this brother is in our hands.



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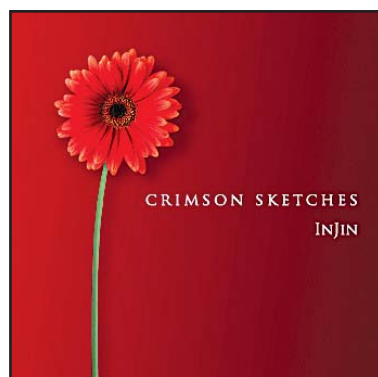


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given. And if not, what does it say about our church? Obviously we are not a church that puts murderers' salvation before our elder who was simply deceived by unsavory scam artists.

We must take care of our elders who have come before us. They gave their lives to the Providence and we must allow and facilitate a respectful retirement in old age. A community that does not respect its elders will be a community without an appreciation for a sense of communal history and belonging. How can we expect our children to care for us in our old age when we have not done the same for our elders? How will they learn to be any better?

There is an old adage in Korean that says God's will is spoken through the people. So then, what are we, as the people of this movement, going to say? What would God our father say to his prodigal son who has embarrassed the family? What would you say if Dr. Pak were your son, your brother or your father? Should we not as a community of believers come together and lend a helping hand?



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Miami Summer of Service

by Lili Kato

The third Summer Of Service (SOS) in Miami, Florida began on Saturday, June 18 with a focus on leadership skills development. Our group this summer is 30 participants – 15 high school students, 10 team leaders, 1 counselor, and 4 staff.

The first SOS program, in 2002, focused on community service in as many venues as possible. The next program in 2003 (one of 16 nationwide) focused on bringing people together from different backgrounds to do community service together. In 2004, we focused on giving participants different experiences through community service and this year's SOS has escalated to the Leadership Training level.

Our program includes an interfaith component, disaster preparedness component (with the Red Cross), environmental component, working with other well-established non-profit organizations (Hands On Miami, Habitat For Humanity), and education gleaned from the team leaders' training: Charity vs Social Justice; Citizenship; Cross-cultural communication; Rights & Responsibilities; to name a few. This 10-day program will be a significant step for those who are interested in the Global Peacemaker programs.

The second day brought us to Miami Gardens Church of Christ. We were invited to their Father's Day breakfast, sat in on their Young Adult Sunday school session, and attended the service. The sermon focused on DADS and their responsibilities. (D=dedicated; A=affectionate; D=decisive; S=sincere). It was inspirational and lively.

Afterwards, our group gathered for a verbal reflection, going around the circle and each one expressing their feelings about their experience. One college student team leader, who had noted her atheism at our team leaders meeting, expressed how overwhelmed she was with the amount of attention we received from the congregation. One gentleman had given her his own very much-used Bible - the congregation was not aware of her atheism. This was the first time she had ever entered a church and she was genuinely amazed at her experience. Other participants expressed how much they enjoyed the sermon, and recognized the importance of its message. This was one of our interfaith components for the Summer Of Service program. We wanted to experience other people's faith and theology, understanding how it impacts their lives, how it makes them who they are, and how it affects their actions in society.

The first thing we did day three was to have a written reflection in everyone's journal on the interfaith activity we had the day before. Next, a representative from the Red Cross gave an excellent presentation on their history and what they do. It was very informative, and many participants were inspired to consider registering for their CPR and life-guard classes. The Red Cross training in disaster preparedness is valuable preparation for local service as well as service done outside of our country.

Monday was an "inside classroom" educational day: the team leaders facilitated this session, presenting much of the information they had received at the team leaders training (Charity vs Social Justice; Defining Service; Cross-cultural Communication) and CONNECTING it to the Service For Peace Core Values.

We did ice-breakers and teambuilding exercises as well, and the day ended with written reflections in their journals.

Days four and five took place at The Hope Center, a non-profit organization dedicated to supporting people with developmental disabilities. This facility is a residential and day training facility that provides training, opportunities and care for people with developmental disabilities, opening doors to greater independence.

We painted the outside walls of the building, giving it a much needed sprucing up. One team painted the clinic. We began the first day with an introduction presentation on The Hope Center from the programs director. At the end of the day we were given a tour of the facility. The SOS team was deeply moved by what Hope Center does: giving dignity and value to every human being, regardless

of their physical or mental condition.

The Hope Center staff was very impressed with our group and what we are doing. They also thought we did a very good painting job. I had an opportunity to talk with a couple of the high school participants as they were waiting for their ride home and learned that one of them started a Model UN club at his high school last year and continues to build it up. He is currently the president of the club. This is his first time with our organization and he is so impressed with what we are doing.

Day six was Field Day ... a day of fun with a purpose. We gathered at a beautiful nature reserve with a man-made beach and a gigantic water slide. We started the day with written reflections about the day before (finishing up painting at the Hope Center). The facilitator for today's activities explained why we were having a field day and what its role was in this 10-day program. She expressed the hope that the activities we were going to do would have something we could apply to our future work, education, home life, and just about everything else; especially in the areas of teamwork and ownership. We would have snapshot reflections

after each activity to connect it with the objectives of the Summer Of Service program.

(One note: South Florida's weather has been off this summer, beginning with double the rainfall we normally have. Today I realized that having a program with factors that cannot be controlled adds an important component to leadership skill development. We are challenged to be creative, flexible, patient, and ultimately, successful.)

When the rain decided to leave us be, we had swimming at the beach, braving the water slide, building turtles in the sand, and a very good lunch. There was opportunity for the participants and the team leaders to talk with each other, and get to know each other a little bit better.

The seventh day of our program was spent with Habitat for Humanity of Greater Miami. We worked from 7:30am until 3:00pm in Overtown. This area, located in the heart of the city of Miami, used to be one of the nicest spots downtown in the 1920's and 1930's. However, today it is one of the poorest and most dangerous locations in the city. We laid sod, plant-

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NC Week of Summer of Service 2005

by Shawna Pace

We began on June 10th at the West Charlotte Recreation Center in Charlotte where we helped with the Violence Prevention program with other kids in their community.

The Next day, Service for Peace (SFP) along with Hopewell Young Life, from Hopewell High School, assisted in the opening of a new Goodwill Store in Charlotte. Here is a comment by a first time SFP volunteer named Ben from Africa. "I was extremely impressed with the hard work and teamwork that Service For Peace showed."

On June 12, our group gathered at the Doggie Day Out event, which supported the Gateway Village YMCA of Charlotte, NC. Everyone had fun washing the dogs and because of our hard work we were offered Chick-Fil-A sandwiches.

The next day our group traveled 90 miles West toward Winston Salem. We worked alongside with the youth from Christ Rescue Temple Church and the youth from the housing projects where we collected trash at the apartments known as the "Housing Authority of Winston Salem." SFP youth leaders gave presentation about leadership and showed a video about the global projects that SFP is involved with all over the world. Our work was well received. Later we crowded into the Pizza Hut for complimentary lunch.

On June 14, we left for a few local churches; Christ Rescue Temple, Inglesia Christian, and Cornerstone Baptist Church. There we did various projects: landscaping, moving, and painting.

On June 15, we again set forth to Durham and the Capital city of North Carolina, Raleigh. We first gathered at the Durham Rescue Mission where we were educated on the history of the building. This place was founded by 1974 by volunteers that strived to help drug addicts to get back with reality. SFP was divided into two groups. One group known as the "Gatorade Cooler Tops," was assigned the task of cleaning up the Great Samaritan Inn which will be opening soon to 120 families and women. The other group called the "North Carolina Finest" (which I was the leader of) set into trucks where donated items were bagged.

One of our SFP journalist asked Joseph Foster, the assistant Volunteer Coordinator, what he thought of SFP. ' He looked at me, chuckled and said, "Are you kidding? You guys are the ones that make this happen. I'm just in awe of this."

The next day, we drove to

Raleigh and again had two groups. The first group was with Helping Hands Mission and the second group painted new houses with Habitat for Humanity.

This wasn't a week of just work, although we worked hard, we also played hard. A lot of fun was involved by playing basketball, soccer and volleyball. We

offered awards to people that displayed key qualities such as leadership, outreach, teamwork and ownership.

The last day, we summoned to Jordan Lake. The lake felt wonderful under the hot summer sun. Again, we had lunches made by our supporting parents. Swimming, laughing and playing volleyball and just goofing around was

a great conclusion to our week of Summer of Service for 2005. You can see and feel how close we had gotten to each other.

That day, we left for home, tired but truly content and satisfied of our perseverance and diligence. We were looking forward to next year of Summer of Service . ♦



Louisville Day of Service

Peter Hayes, our local SFP City Leader, has been building a strong relationship with Wal-Mart in the Louisville area. This project was the result of this strong partnership mobilizing over 200 Wal-Mart employees, their relatives and SFP volunteers.



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ed trees and bushes for two of the homes that day, and it was some of the hardest work we have ever done! Also, the dirtiest! Habitat's project manager was very pleased with our group. They had gotten behind on much of their work and needed to catch up. And catch up they did.

Most of the SOS participants had never worked with Habitat before and they all had a gratifying experience. As always, the Habitat site manager gave an orientation to the volunteers. Included in this orientation was a very moving testimony from one of the Habitat homeowners. Eight years ago he had been a drug user and would hide from the police under some trees in the lot that NOW has his home which he helped build with Habitat. It was truly a stunning testimonial. The SOS participants were moved and inspired and recognized the power of transforming lives through volunteerism and taking responsibility.

The work was hard and long, but the SOS team found new friends and meaning in the world of community service. One additional experience that was added

to this day: at the end of Day 6 the SOS team was promised a surprise lunch at Habitat. Throughout this morning there were whispers and talk about this surprise lunch they were going to get, and visions of culinary delights were most likely dancing in their heads. After they all gathered for lunch and were awaiting their surprise, I asked Dr. Lenaghan to tell all of us what he was fed for lunch while in the Dominican Republic while working at the project site just recently. He told us "a big sweet potato, some raw nuts (sort of like cashews), and for dessert, mangos". He said it was delicious. Then I asked one of our team leaders who is from Peru about the food that is eaten by the country folk, living in the mountains where we might do a future project. Her reply was, "some baked bean and spaghetti soup" which is all that they have to eat. I also told them that the most popular food in Zambia, and what they would most likely be given to eat if they went there to do a project, is boiled mouse. The lesson was that what you eat is part of your project experience, whether you are here in a less fortunate neighborhood or somewhere else in the world. Oh, the surprise lunch?? PBJs and apples. It was a surprise to them, but they were so hungry from their hard

work there were no complaints.

Day eight, we worked with Hands On Miami, a volunteer center organization. The name of the project was "It's the Little Things That Count". This was a beach clean-up, focused on picking up the smallest trash, such as cigarette butts, tab tops, pieces of Styrofoam, etc., things that a turtle might mistaken for food, and ultimately choke on and die. The section of beach we worked on is a nesting area for the turtles and home to other marine life. Afterwards, we had a barbeque, beach volleyball, and swimming, all the while getting to know more about each other.

Day nine was our 2nd interfaith day in our Summer Of Service at the Tibetan Vajrayana Buddhist Dharma Center in Miami. This was a very interesting experience. We began with an introduction to Buddhism and a little background history. We were shown a short video, and afterwards we went into the meditation room and had the opportunity to experience meditating. It was fascinating to learn about the practices and beliefs of Buddhists, which added a new dimension to our ten-day program.

The final final day in the Miami Summer Of Service. We began with a post survey followed with written reflections. We

verbally went over each day with all of the participants to remind them of their activities in order to help them with their written reflections. Next, each participant was asked to prepare a one-minute "snapshot" presentation of their experience over the last 10 days: their name, where they come from (which school), which day/project was their favorite, and why. The team leaders were asked the same thing, only they had to connect their favorite activity with the SFP Core Values. This was my favorite part of the 10 days! I really enjoyed all of their presentations. We had a really nice photo presentation (with music) which captured the energy and emotion of the 10 days, and lent some humor as well. Certificates were then given out, with a photo of each participant/team leader receiving it. We had a group photo, congratulations, and a really nice lunch.

There will be ongoing projects with all the participants and team leaders throughout the coming months. These projects will include mini-certifications, along with their documented hours, which will be kept in their portfolios to be used as documentation of their training for national and international level projects. ♦

Chicago STF Testimonies

Dan Perry

This year was amazing. My spiritual life has grown so much. The first year of STF was laying the foundation of faith. After coming to the witnessing center, I could see how the second year was laying the foundation of substance. Without this year, I don't know how I would have been able to adjust to living in a college environment or even putting the Principle into practice as well. Living with a large family in the CARP center, I could grow my heart to understand many different kinds of people. I feel it was great training for life and the blessing.

I had so many experiences here in Chicago that changed the entire course of my life. My work with STF as well as with the Chicago family church opened so many new possibilities. After being here for just a couple of months and seeing the ACLC work, I became inspired to read the Bible. I'm already up to the New Testament and I feel my understanding of the Principle growing so much. In the future, I would like to get involved in witnessing to ministers and churches because I see so much progress here in the city of Chicago.

In the beginning of my STF year I was unsure about Chicago. I used to live here, but I didn't know what the city was going to be like. No one talked too much about Chicago while I was on my first year of STF. However, since coming here, I feel that I couldn't have been put in a more amazing city, providentially speaking. I'm going to miss the city. Chicago is my second home. As a captain, I memorized most of the main city streets and I can navigate through Chicago better than I can in Boston. When I leave, I'm going to miss the city a lot. Even though I'm a little unsure of my plans now, I can be certain that at least God knows where I'm going.

Yoshie Toyomura

Out of all the places that I've been to in my life, I can honestly say that Chicago is my most memorable city. I'm fortunate not simply because of being sent to this beautiful city along with my eleven unique brothers and sisters for my second year of STF, but because of the people that we've had the pleasure to spend time with.

One thing that amazes me about Chicago is the leadership and how the blessed children's community here puts so much effort in uniting with the directions that are given to attend God and True Parents. Many times what Bishop Kim said took me by surprise, because behind his firm discipline that he gives

to second generation I can feel the care, concern, love and the heart of the father that he has towards all of us. Although my understanding of the heart of filial piety is limited, I can see the highest extent of it in Bishop Kim, especially when he thanked the congregation for their support after his car accident and hoped for his speedy recovery only in order that he may attend True Parents at his best.

Whether because of the leadership or because it's just how God planned

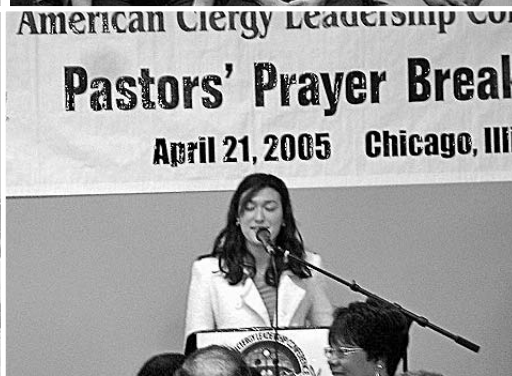
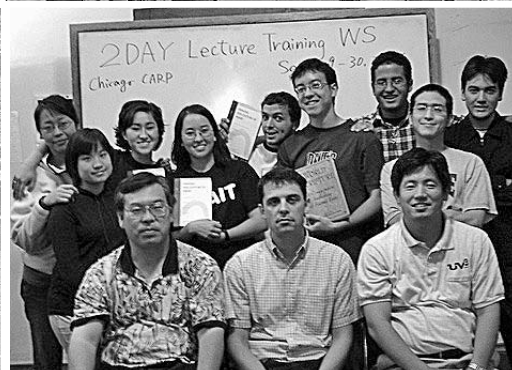
David Moffitt

This year in Chicago was such an amazing experience for me. I could gain so much from this year through witnessing and fundraising as well. I feel like I could really reach my goal of building a consistent life of faith.

I'm so grateful to the Chicago Family Church for being so welcoming to us STFers. It was always so inspiring to have the 1st generation come over to our center and give their testimonies.

thought I could handle anything God threw in my direction. However, God always has ways of surprising me.

The witnessing lifestyle was so different from the frontline fundraising I had been doing for the past fourteen months. There was a much greater need for initiative and self-discipline; investment was more long term and showed less result; and most significant of all was the relationships between the brothers and sisters I was living with. Over the course of the year God guided me



it, we all realized that it's not a coincidence that we had two opportunities to meet True Parents within a year. All the experiences that I was able to have this year are very real to me, and I'm truly grateful to everyone in Chicago community ... from the leaders who guide everyone to fulfill the dream of God and True Parents, to the parents who sacrifice so much of their time, energy, and heart to maintain a public mind and keep the family together at the same time, and to the kids who gives joy, hope, and happiness to all of us.

They would always drop by and love us up with their stories of fundraising and witnessing.

Kazuaki Watanabe

This year in Chicago has been one of the most significant in my life in terms of spiritual growth, self-realization, and development of relationships. I feel strongly that God placed me here very specifically to grow in the way I really needed to.

Before coming to Chicago for witnessing, I was doing extra fundraising as an assistant captain for the first year STF program. At that point I felt like I was doing pretty well internally, so I

in many ways and revealed to me many amazing things. Slowly, step-by-step, I was becoming more well-rounded.

What made the Chicago witnessing center unique from the other two centers (Maryland and Berkeley), besides the weather, was the community there. I was never around such a strong, united church community before, centering on Bishop Kim. I really felt that these people were on the frontline of God's providence every day. The strong sense of unity there inspired me every time I was surrounded by it.

Overall, I am grateful for all the experience

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riences God and True Parents allowed me to have during these past ten months in Chicago, and I am making a determination to do my best to keep the Chicago spirit back home in New Jersey.

Pablo Rivera

I am grateful to have been put in Chicago. Maryland is too close to home, and Berkeley already has all the foundation it could need. My experience in this 2nd year has been defined through three main aspects: the actual frontline activity, the blessed children's community, and learning about myself.

Witnessing frontline is a lot different from fundraising. The main point that kept me spiritually centered was the awareness that every guy and girl on campus is a child of God. The most difficult aspect of witnessing is the heart to keep going and keep investing. Equally difficult are those extremely important pivotal moments when a guest is not sure whether to go to a workshop or not. Mrs. Sometani contributed a lot to making the workshops special.

I feel the Chicago blessed children's community was an important part of my 2nd year, too, because I realized that these are my brothers and sisters. They need us elder 2nd generation to be role models and, more importantly, elder siblings. The Service For Peace Summer of Service was my best experience with this.

What's also important is the development of oneself. In this year I have been able to become more of myself, coming out of my previous shell, and more firmly understand my relation-

ship with God. Mrs. Sometani's personal advice to me helped me in this area. I also appreciated the various 1st-generation people who gave advice and testimonies at our house. In summary, I had a very heart-opening experience. Thanks to Bishop Kim for his support.

Joshua Frumin

This past year on STF has certainly been a whirlwind experience for me. I honestly didn't imagine so at first, but it eventually became clear that I needed this witnessing experience here in Chicago more than anything else. Heavenly Father truly knows what's best for us, although we often deny it. This year, it was as if God firmly clutched me with His hands, picked me up, and shook some heavenly sense into me. So many wonderful realizations and inspirations emerged from trying times. After receiving this witnessing training, I feel more confident re-entering the "world" outside.

I learned so much living with 12 other brothers and sisters under one roof. This year was tremendous change from my blasé island lifestyle that I've come habituated to growing up. Chicago, Illinois, is most definitely not Kailua-Kona, Hawaii. This I learned very quickly. However, I am so grateful to have worked with the Chicago community. The sincere, hardworking spirit of the blessed central families here definitely rubbed off on me. It's no wonder this midwestern town continues to lead God's providence in America.

I have an entire lifetime ahead of me, and with the help of STF, I hope to make it worthwhile.

Caroline Chen

When I first learned that I would be sent to the Chicago witnessing center, I was nervous. But after living here for one year I forget why I was ever nervous at all. My second year of STF has been quite an experience. I have learned so many things about Heavenly Father and His heart, His desire and hope for second generation, and what He wants this world to be like.

I am incredibly grateful for the leadership in Chicago. Bishop Kim gave us such a warm welcome that it already felt like home. As an STF team we went through so much together - good times and bad. I will always remember the lessons that I have learned here during my second year of STF and the wonderful people I could meet in the beautiful city of Chicago.

Eikoku Ikeno

The Chicago community has always been home to me. But never have I actually had to experience it from the inside out. Now, rather than just being a child on the end of forced participation, I was treated more as an adult with the freedom and responsibility that entailed. With each event -- be it a speech, an ACLC breakfast or SFP -- STF was given the responsibility of assisting with organization and participation. Actually experiencing the difficulties of preparing for these grandiose events, we gained a new appreciation for everyone's constant hard work and effort. Moreover, it provided us, under the guidance of our beloved Bishop Kim, with an example of what could be achieved through the unity of Cain and Abel on a statewide level.

Hyun Ju Maketa

I would like to thank everyone here once again for allowing me to be a part of such a warm and embracing community. Thank you very much, especially to all of those hardworking 1st Generation members who really went out of their way to help work with us and to share with us.

As the weeks have been drawing to a close for our second and final year on STF, I began to reflect on my year. Not just what this year has meant to me or what I have accomplished but also about why it was that God brought me specifically to Chicago. I also thought about what made Chicago such an amazing and unique city.

In all honesty, when I first came to Chicago, I didn't know what to expect. Coming from such a large and established community in Maryland/Washington, D.C., I was under the impression that Chicago was a small "middle-of-nowhere" community. But the whirlwind of Father's speaking tour in October, which sprang forth from the inspiration of the Chicago True Family Values Banquet, quickly crushed my previous concept. And, speaking with my father about this last speaking tour, his words only confirmed what I had heard: "Chicago always crushes the other cities in numbers."

It's not just the blood, sweat, and tears of the members that were invested here, but the city itself makes Chicago so special. It's such a key city in the eyes of God and True Parents' providence because it represents the heart of America. Geographically, it lies centrally located in the "heartland of America", the Mid-West.

Not only does the location of this city qualify it as the heart of America, but the culture of the city as well. Chicago is a quilted city, a tapestry weaving together the different cultures and regions that make up this great and vast nation. The buildings here stand tall and proud with just as much style and grace as an East Coast city; however, there is an air of the laid-back West Coast spirit here too. But what sets this city apart from all the others is the strong representation of the good old Mid-West/Southern, all-American hospitality. It's this warm and welcoming spirit that truly represents the heart of America. And it was to inherit this spirit that God brought me to this blessed city.

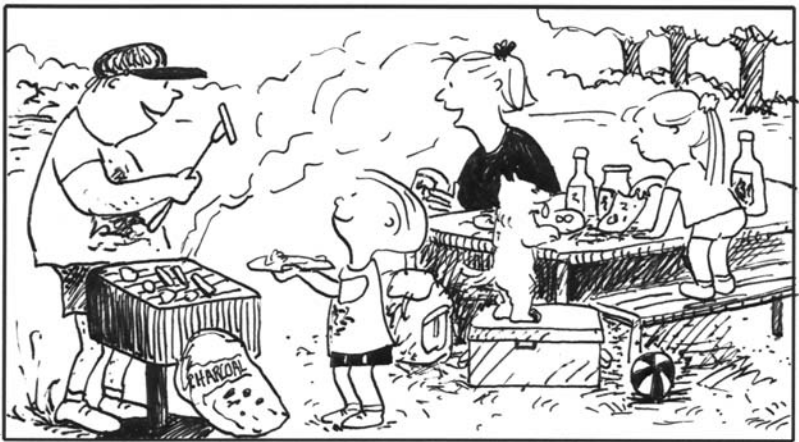
Living here within the community lends a certain perspective, but I hope that I have offered some deeper insight as to what makes this community so crucial in God's providence. Thank you so much for everything that I have learned from all of you.

Tomomi Kawase

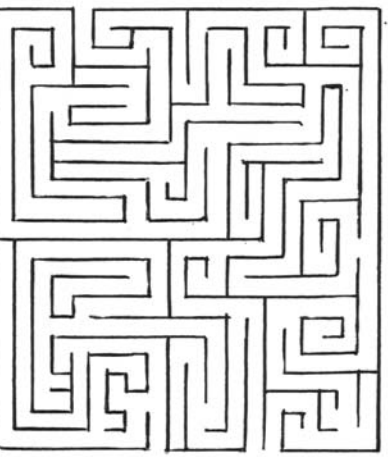
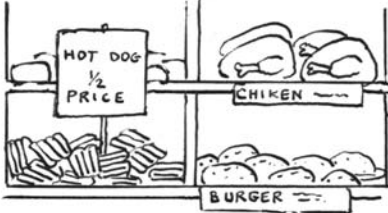
This 2nd year, I learned a lot, especially through relationship with brothers and sisters. The first year had a vertical focus, emphasizing my relationship with God. But this year, God showed me many things through horizontal relationships among brothers and sisters as well as with customers and witnessing guests. Chicago gave us many experiences, including True Father's tour, CARP, construction, and Summer of Service. Through these experiences, God showed me how He can work through unity and team work.❖

FOR KIDS

by Françoise



Find the seven differences between these two drawings of having a barbeque



Help them find the hotdogs

A TIME OF TRANSITION

Unificationist Burial Grounds in Korea, Japan, and US

by William Selig

Although each providential nation has established shrines to allow our loved ones to ascend with dignity, it wasn't until 1984 with the ascension of Heung Jin Moon that the tradition of the Seung Hwa Ceremony for Blessed members could begin. Originally, this was not to have begun until the True Parents went to the spiritual world.

In the general tradition of the world, funerals are sad occasions signifying the end of life, but with the initiation of this ceremony, and based on Heung Jin Nim's organization of the spiritual world, Blessed members can now celebrate the commencement of their lives as exclusively spiritual beings.

Father gave direction that Blessed couples should be buried in "Holy Ground," so when people bury blessed members on private property or in a public cemetery, the spot chosen for burial must first be prayed over and holy salted.

Memorial gardens for Blessed members around the world are not simple burial grounds or ordinary cemeteries, rather they are heavenly mandated Holy Grounds for prayer and communication with the spiritual world.

Besides burial at the Won Jeon, post-Seung Hwa memorial services in Japan and Korea include 3rd Day (Sam Oje), 21st Day, 43rd Day, 100th day and the 1st anniversary (which represents their birth as a purely spiritual being). These are necessary to help a Blessed person successfully ascend and register in the Unification Spiritual Sphere.

KOREA

There are two national memorial gardens in Korea, where they are known as "wonjeon, which means "the finest palace." The one in Paju is located on land donated by church members in the mid 1950s. Northwest of Seoul and near the DMZ, this Won Jeon is for members of the True Family and those approved by True Father.

At this point it holds Hae-jin nim (1964), Hee-jin nim (1969), Heung-jin nim (1984), Young-jin nim (1999), and Shin-yea nim (2001). With Tue Father's approval, others have also been buried there.

The won jeon in Chuncheon was inaugurated on April 13, 2004, as part of the 50th anniversary of HSA-UWC. It is located within an existing facility called Tong Sang Kongwon Myowon (East Mountain Memorial Park).

The non-denominational cemetery was founded about 10 years ago by a group of Christian businessmen. The entire park can hold 24,000 people and is in 14 sections. HSA-UWC has a contract for section #8 which can hold 1800 people. HSA doesn't actually own the property, but rather a commitment to purchase the area by a certain date.

Members deal directly with the cemetery.

It is about 40 miles from Seoul in the direction of the Cheongpyeong Training Center. The approximately 2-hour drive will be shortened to about an hour in 2007 with the completion of a nearby superhighway.

None of the members currently buried in our area have markers or headstones. It's considered bad protocol in Korea to have a headstone before the parents pass away. After True Father ascends into the spirit world, a headstone will be installed for Heung Jin Nim, and then likewise for the others.

As of February 2005, the park holds 13 Blessed members. The website for Tong Sang Memorial Park, which has many photos, is at www.dongsan-park.co.kr.

JAPAN

Japan has three church burial



Antonio Betancourt, Anne Inoue and Mr. Kwon Soon Choi (head of Family Department) at the Won Jeon in Chuncheon



William Selig and Antonio Betancourt visit the National Won Jeon in Chuncheon, Korea

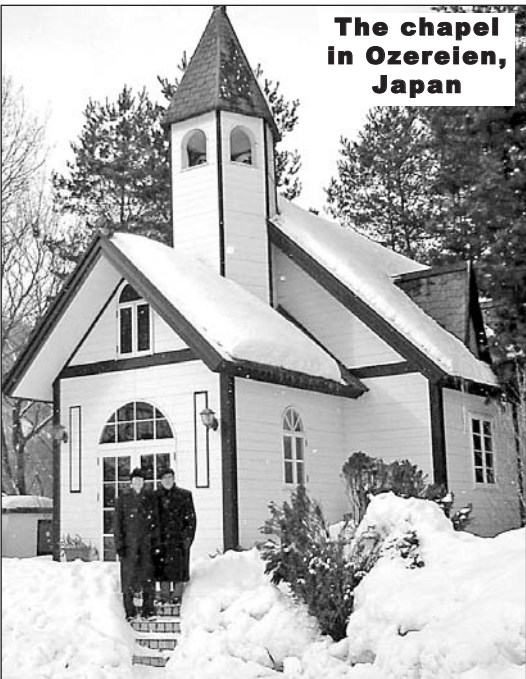
grounds, which are known as "reien," meaning "spirit garden." These are in (1) Gunma (north of Tokyo), (2) Osaka (central Japan) and (3) Kochi (Shikoku Island). The National Won Jeon of Japan is called Ozerein. They refer to it as the "Spiritual and Physical Treasure of UC-Japan." Ozerein is a Memorial Park located in the Oze National Park, in Gunma about 100 miles north of Tokyo.

Mr. Hiroyasu Tomaru, Director of Japan's National Won Jeon, contributed the following description.

The first Won Jeon in Japan known as Ozerein, or the Oze Memorial Park, marked the 21st anniversary of its official opening on June 8, 2003. With the name of the "Unified Memorial Ceremony for Seung Hwa People," we do it once a year on the second week of June



Ribbon-cutting ceremony at Fort Lincoln in Washington in 2003



The chapel in Ozerein, Japan

as a major event for the Unification Church in Japan.

An ever-growing number of about 2,400 people have gathered for the annual ceremony in the Ozerein on that particular day from around the country and beyond, some from the United States. Both President Yu Tehen, True Parents' representative to Japan, and UC-Japan President Hideo Oyamada attended the ceremony and gave sermons which are aired nationwide through a U-One TV live satellite-broadcast as a special Sunday service.

Some Americans married to Japanese sisters are also buried in the lawn-based cemetery. The largest group of non-Japanese Seung Hwa brothers and sisters here are Koreans married to Japanese. They are among the 750-strong Seung Hwa members buried.

On Nov. 3, 2003, a ceremony was held at another Won Jeon located in central Japan near Osaka, known as the Osaka-Abeno Church Cemetery. It was the 9th anniversary event for nearly 70 Seung Hwa people. The name will formally be changed to the Kansai-Shigi Mountain Cemetery probably next year when its 10th anniversary takes place.

There is another Won Jeon in Shikoku Island, not far from Osaka or Kyoto. It is the smallest, while Ozerein is the largest. For more info:

www2.ocn.ne.jp/~oze/index.htm.

AMERICA

The U.S. has two established Won Jeons. (1) The oldest is in Tarrytown, New York, at Sleepy Hollow, a cemetery that can trace its history back to 1650. Rev. Takeru Kamiyama purchased the 100 plots around 1985. There are two other burial sites in New York, both purchased by Dr. David S.C. Kim. One is at St. Sylvia's Cemetery on Rt. 9G about 5-7 miles north

of Red Hook, and the other is on Rt. 9 on the south side of Poughkeepsie.

(2) The second Won Jeon is in Fort Lincoln Cemetery just 5 minutes from The Washington Times. During the Civil War, Fort Lincoln's soldiers and cannons protected the city's eastern gateway. Named in honor of President Lincoln, who met there with his generals and advisors, the land was chartered as a cemetery in 1912.

The Won Jeon was acquired on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the Movement's purchase of the Mormon Church in 1976. In September 2001, the cemetery made us an offer for a group burial space after the ascension of our brother Thomas Wojcik.

The following year, on July 26, 2002, True Father gave his blessing to have the National Won Jeon Shrine in our nation's capitol. A ribbon-cutting ceremony was held on Oct. 9, 2003.

There are 15 members buried at Fort Lincoln. We have 150 plots. For further information, log on at: www.nationalwonjeon.org.

CONCLUSION:

"For we know not the day nor the hour," says the Bible, but if we truly understand the substantial reality of the spiritual world and the meaning of the Seung Hwa, then the more we prepare for the inevitable, the smoother will be the transition from the physical world to the spiritual world – for ourselves and our loved ones.

Special thanks to Anne Inoue and Julian Gray for providing background material. William Selig is director of the National Won Jeon Shrine in Washington, D.C.❖



SCIENCE IN THE ERA OF SPIRIT

Believers often get irritated with science — witness the debate over Evolution. But the science that is being criticized is a straw man; it was discarded a century ago. The quantum revolution introduced a whole new conceptual framework to the scientific description of our world; a way of thinking that atheists are not comfortable with; which is probably why you have not encountered the new science before.

Now you can.

SCIENCE—the discipline with a split personality! The conceptual framework that science started out with, and the one that is still in use in the biological sciences, is described by many adjectives: Newtonian, classical, nineteenth-century, old-fashioned, orthodox, conventional, etc.

This conceptual framework was abandoned with great reluctance by physicists, last century because it was found to be totally inadequate. Its replacement, the one physics currently embraces, is also multi-monikered: post-Newtonian, New Physics, quantum mechanics, twentieth-century, modern, way-out, totally weird, etc. In the science hierarchy: physics, chemistry, biochemistry, biology, evolution, etc., the switch-over from quantum concepts to classical concepts is to be found somewhere between physical and biological chemistry.

The concepts of the new physics are so radically weird to the classically-trained mind that they are very difficult to accept. As one wit put it: not only is reality stranger than you think, it is stranger than you can think. This book generalizes the concepts of quantum probability and applies them throughout the sciences:

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Antelope Valley Celebration of Parents Day and Holy Wine

by Sarah Devati

This year I organized two events in two different county in order to celebrate the Parents' Day. Why ? Because I knew many Christian leaders and civic leaders as well as the Moslem and Jewish leaders in the both county that I knew God wanted to reach out to . And I knew that there is no other family member living close by them who would go and visit them and bring true parents blessing to them.

In Southern California all the church outreach has been concentrated in the central Los Angeles and Orange county. Thus the North East end of the Los Angeles County which is called Antelope valley has been ignored and neglected.

I moved to the area two years ago . However, I live two and half hours away (round trip)from the other main cities in the Antelope valley . But I did not allow far distance drive and expensive gas prices stop me from doing what God had asked me to do.

It was my prayer to bring true parents blessing to this far end of the Los Angeles county.

Well God answered my prayer. Soon True Parents decided to visit Los Angeles . The spiritual world was already mobilized to help me based on true parents prayer. I had to physically accomplish what True parents expect of me. I had to bless four thousand people with the GIK holy candy in my area. So I got busy and started to visit churches and give out Holy candy to pastors and their congregations . Sometimes I was asked to give a short talk to prepare people to receive the holy candy. I also went door to door shop to shop or even the schools. Until I accomplished that task. Based on that small spiritual foundation I could move forward.

Why that was a small condition? ..because There are 100's of thousands of people living in the antelope valley and kern county and only four thousands received the holy candy. There were no other family members living in this area. There were no other family members who would go around the area and bless the people except me and my efforts were not enough for that vast area. But God can still use this small work and multiply it.

Mother Teresa once said: we can do no GREAT work. Only we can do small works with GREAT LOVE.

I started to prepare for Parents' Day celebration in two different cities in two different county six months in advance. To start with I needed two Big banquet hall in two different city and it must be free of charge.. I did not even had the liability insurance money for the potential three hundred people invited to NPD celebration. Either I was able to put any deposit down. I had to rent an office space to held meetings and make phone calls and send invitation letters and faxes for the event in Lancaster.

I could use my own home office for the NPD event in my own city in kern county. But it was not close enough to organize an event in Lancaster/Palm-dale area.

I needed a new computer and printer and ink cartridge . I needed a copier and long distance phone service and as it comes closer to the event I had to think about celebration cake, flowers, refreshments, decoration items, registration forms , office supplies, table cloths and plastic cups and plates and balloons and gifts to give away.

Who is going to pay for all these? I had absolutely had no financial support either moral support from my unification church . I was relying on God and true parents to provide for His project. I only can work hard and expect miracles. Besides, I had organized and financed Parents Day events for the past nine years and I knew God will show up ..but when and at what period in the project is He going to show up, I did not know!... I walk by faith and not by sight.

Soon God opened the door one after the other...The City of California city had hosted our program mayor Larry Adams accepted to be the honorary chairman for the NPD 2005. Thus we could use the city facilities including the sport center free of charge. They did not even asked me to put deposit for

the liability insurance.

Mayor Frank Roberts from the city of Lancaster volunteered his time to be the honorary chairman for NPD 2005. We could use his name in our flyers and benefit from his good popularity. But that could not take care of 10.000 dollars liability fee for the use of the city facilities. Again mayor Roberts stepped in and lead me to receive the support of the private organizations. Based on Mayors' recommendation I was able to secure a big hall in the Elks lodge .. though it was exclusively for its members . But they made an exception for us letting us use their facilities free of charge. That was a miracle. .

Then soon another door was opened. One of my Christian contacts, Patricia St. Pierre, a very well off lady of good family fortune, volunteered to attend some of the meetings with me. She was very impressed by my presentations at one of the local ministerial alliances prayer breakfast meetings. One day she handed me a key to her home office and told me ...please feel free to come anytime and use my office and even if it is too late for you to drive back home, just stay in my guest room . I was almost jumped out of joy. It was a miracle....how she could trust me just knowing me



for a few months.

I think about it for weeks and cannot figure it out. But I knew that Lord put it in her heart. That was truly a Miracle...without her house as a base for my NPD activities It was impossible for me to accomplish any thing. It was truly a miracle.

Everything was coming together little by little. I knew God is behind all these things. So I was working hard. Everyday I worked the whole day in the office and in the afternoon I would go door to door fundraising. I often asked for donations and people were supportive. When I received donations , I felt God and the spirit world is supporting me.

In the month of June , church had many projects going on. Pasadena h.q. were sending letters asking for financial support. I felt obligated to support them too. I was already burdened by my NPD events . But I had to support church projects as well. .

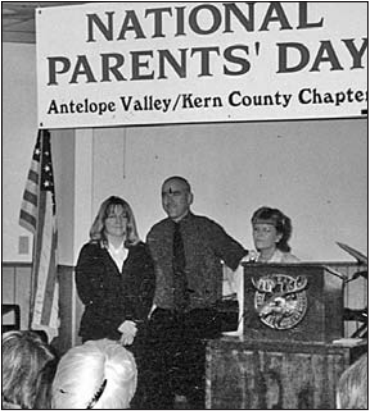
I had three /four projects going on at the same time and no time to fundraise. I started to spend from my emergency savings.. I had my own household bills that needed to be paid off. I had to sacrifice my personal life and personal bills in order to take care of the public projects first.

Then I prayed asking God to show up and provide for me and take care of all the expenses or I will go hungry....

Then God showed up again and answered my prayer....It was in that time that I often were visited by pastors who just stopped by my house to hand me money or a check.

It happened many times that a pastors' wife would come to my house and hand me money or bring me a bag full of good quality groceries. I asked them why?

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Camp Tongil 2nd Gen in the Pacific Northwest

What a blast! It was better than we expected. The power of God's loving spirit poured out on all of us for six days giving renewal and joy to young and old alike.

There were 120 Blessed Children aged 8 to 13 enjoying lectures, games and crafts in a glorious environment. Their 14 teams were led by 20 2nd Gen teenagers, who poured out energy, enthusiasm and fun all week. There was vibrant musical accompaniment and theatrical performances of varying qualities.

The support staff included some 2nd Gen students and about 30 volunteer parents to oil the wheels, cook the food and keep us all on task. In addition to the staff, we had 15 young people in our Counselor-in-Training program, led by Mrs. Rose Ann Kennett with Ms. Vicky Martin. They did a great job of teaching leadership skills necessary for future counselors.

We shared prayer and testimonies, skits and hikes, canoeing and swimming, and a week that felt like God's kingdom touching down from heaven, embracing everyone. None of us will soon forget it.

Our camp was on beautiful Whidbey Island in Washington's Cornet Bay; wild herons, blue skies, great trees of the Pacific Northwest lined the hills and lakesides beside the vast Pacific



The younger campers were entertained and educated by Pastor Mike Yakawich from Montana, who made the Divine Principle accessible to them through wonderful stories, a deep and prayerful heart and some astonishing props, activities and magic tricks.

The older children were taught by Dr. Thomas Selover from Saskatoon, Canada. His interreligious insights and his knowledge of Chinese characters enriched the presentations based on the 8 paragraphs of The Family Pledge. His lively and original perspective both underlined important concepts and opened our minds to think of them in new ways.

An additional session covered Church traditions including prayer, Holy Candles and Holy Salt. Some of the older campers participated in elementary abstinence education that promoted awareness of media bias against sexual purity and role-playing techniques to resist negative peer pressure.

All in all, it was a rich and rewarding week for everyone. On the final evening, Rev. Lee, the Regional Leader for Washington state joined us and shared a short video of his recent visit with True Parents in Alaska.

We want to thank all those who participated and helped to make the camp successful. Thank you to all the par-



ents who sent their children to participate and to all those who worked hard to make the camp possible. Special thanks go to Mr. John King and Mrs. Jane Bowman, who invest so much time and effort to make Camp Tongil a reality.

And most of all, we wish to thank God and True Parents for their inspiration and vision of the Kingdom that we are privileged to share. ♦

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Why are you giving me money. They would tell me Lord asked me to. They said: "God put it in my heart" One time a pastors' wife stopped by my house and handed me a fifty dollar and said, I was coming back from my church and Lord told me to make a u-turn at your house and give you what I have in my purse!

Three weeks before the Parents Day events , one lady minister stopped by my house and handed me a four hundred dollars check. She told me Lord asked me to give this money to you. I jumped out of Joy...It was a miracle. Money out of heaven landed on my door. I felt God was watching me all this time and he

knows what I need.

There has been one miracle after the other. A banner was donated to us by a sign maker who lives on the mountain of Tehachapi. He even drove all the way down to my house to drop off the banner at my home office. Imagine that.

The media were very supportive as well. They aired three interview with me three times right before the parents day event to raise public awareness and solicit their support.

On July 17 the Channel three Local TV. station on its evening news aired the parents day event and it was on the radio news the same evening as well.

First Annual Parents/ Students/ teachers/ model business of the year Award Ceremony in Antelope valley Day program started by presentation of the National Anthem by Mrs. Donna Swiekew, Golden Hill band , a happily married young grandma of deeply Christian faith. The pledge of allegiance was recited by Pastor Clarence Belton. , one of Ambassador's for peace candidate. It proceeds by the invocation by the Pastor Kathryn Efford, senior pastor of the Christian community church. The key note speaker was the prominent speaker and author Rev. Sandra Querin, the founder of the Abba's ministry from the four Square church in Fresno , California.

We had the representatives of the Congressional offices of the Los Angeles county board of supervisor , districts 5 th and

the assembly women Sharon Runner and the congressman George Runner. The congratulatory address from the office of the state of California honorable Governor Arnold Schwenneger, was read by the vice mayor of the city of the Lancaster, bishop Henry Hearn. Bishop Henry Hearn is also the founder of the Baptist church and the university campus in the city of little rock , la county.

There were the representative couples from the Jewish faith, Islamic faith , Bahai faith present. there were over ten different churches had send their minister of pastors in support of the Parents Day.

The certificates for the honoraries were prepared by the office of the Mayor Frank Roberts and had signed by him personally . mayor Roberts was the honorary chairman of the NPD in antelope valley.

The program conclude by the cutting of cake and All the audience were asked to recite the pure love pledge in their heart

and take the cup of the GIK holy wine. every body drank the cup even Mr. Norm Heckling, representative office of the Los Angeles board of supervisor...

The program was a total victory for God and True Parents

I would like to thank kimyo Anceney , Helgi & Joanne Hardson and the Nass-er & Ulli Zomorodian for helping with the GIK Holy Wine Ceremony.

On July 24 , National Parents' Day was celebrated in the kern County . Mayor Larry Adams presented the opening remarks and His office prepared the certificates for the honoraries. President Shane Hubble from the latter day saints church was the key note speaker. The program concluded by the reciting of the pure love pledge and the Gik holy wine ceremony.

The two events in the antelope valley was a big victory for God, True parents and lord Jesus. ♦

Kim Jong Il Receives President of Washington Times Corporation

Pyongyang, August 16 -- Leader Kim Jong Il Tuesday received Joo Dong Mun, president of the Washington Times Corporation, on a visit to Pyongyang. On the occasion the president offered his congratulations to Kim Jong Il on the 60th anniversary of Korea's liberation.

Kim Jong Il welcomed the Pyongyang visit of the president, had a cordial talk with him and posed for a photograph with him.

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Conclusion

Most American clergy accept the Bible alone, and our Unificationist belief in the Principal has been a challenge to unity. We need to emphasize our clear understanding of Jesus Christ, and his life and mission. This leads to an increased reverence for Jesus, and to a heartistic closeness.

We can meet Dualists halfway, in seeing God's love and design in nature. Also by offering them clarity, and the path to untainted, eternal love.

As for leftists and atheists, their own ancestors and intellectual forebearers, now in the spirit world, are working to

open their eyes to a greater reality. Meanwhile, it's often possible to engage them intellectually, and plant a few seeds of Divine truth.

Because of mental and emotional factors, a fundamentalist would have a difficult time doing any of this. Only folks who will ask serious questions, and are able to see major issues from different points of view, can engage in effective give-and-take.

At the Bay Area Family Church we've been talking about a 'practicable' spirituality. We'd like to establish the best possible standard of belief, and of believers, for this savvy and skeptical region of America. In our True Parents, and now in Hyung Jin Nim, we have great examples to follow. ♦

Montana's 8th Annual March v. Drugs & Violence

by Pastor Mike Yakawich

On June 11th, 2005, the community of Billings, Montana, took part in the 8th Annual March Against Drugs and Violence. Youth, community members, civic, church and political leaders participated in this annual event. Co sponsored by the Family Church, Billings Police Department, Tumble Weed, several other community organizations and churches, the march had an exceptional turnout this year.

Originally founded by ACLC clergy eight years ago with less than ten participants, it has grown into a community event. Today it exceeded 250 people in participation. The program began with an enthusiastic group at the Courthouse Lawn. With music in the background by the Dirty Jones Band (a popular Billings Band), Rev. Tom Schlotterback of the Lutheran King of Glory Church offered a prayer. Preceding this were encouraging words of praise and pride by Deputy Police Chief Archer, who commented, "This showing of so many people shows a serious concern for our community."

Our march then began, led by a Boy Scout troop. The entire group of marchers walked about one mile around the downtown. The Billings Police Department guided the group, stopping traffic all along the way. It was indeed a novelty to walk down the middle of 27th Street, the busiest street in town.

The group then returned to the Courthouse Lawn for the main event. Rev. Dr. Vernon Johnson of All Nations Christian Fellowship Church led the group in a prayer of thanksgiving and protection. As people proceeded to a wonderful barbeque on the lawn provided by many volunteers, they listened to the event's speakers.

One cosponsor of our event, a Montana state government Republican leader, commented: "Every legislative session has a long list of bills attempting to do something about the problems resulting from drugs and violence..... Families are being destroyed and lives are being lost. Yet even with more legislation and more resources put in place, the problem continues to grow. The solution lies in a grassroots effort by dedicated community members who are willing to step forward and do what they can to alleviate this scourge on our society."

A Montana U.S. congressman commented: "Drugs and violence destroy the hopes, dreams, security, and health of children and families.....You can make such a difference, and you do. You are the eyes and ears and conscience of this community. You set the

standards...Thank you for gathering to reaffirm our commitment to end illegal drug use and violence in our lives."

And the mayor said, "When you demonstrate by your participation in this march that drugs and violence are not what we want in our community, you are setting an example for others."

We had a band performing and a youth ensemble from the Family Church. Also, local organizations and companies donated some great door prizes and helped cover the cost of the food. The local media was a fantastic support. The local ABC and NBC affiliates did interviews with us earlier in the week and then placed our event on that night's local news programs. The Billings Gazette printed a guest editorial about the event from one of our key sponsors. The weekly paper, The OutPost, also had a nice public service announcement of the event.

You could sense a real community atmosphere. There were many children with their parents as well as elderly

with wheelchairs and canes. Numerous races, faiths, and cultures were represented. Our closing prayer was given by a Native American from Wolfpoint, Montana, who thanked the Creator for such a beautiful day. And it was a miraculous day, since it rained consecutively for the past five days but on this day the clouds opened up to give us 72 degree weather with much sunshine and good cheer.

Here is some background on the event. Montana is one of the crystal meth capitals of the country. Why? Because people who move from inner cities to rural areas to get their youth away drugs sometimes bring such problems with them, and rural America can be a safe corridor for dealers to distribute drugs between larger cities.

When my wife and I moved back to Montana from Manhattan, I was astounded to see the drugs and violence in rural communities. A young girl was shot and killed in a drive-by shooting a few

houses from where we were living. Later, I was shot at and my children were finding drug needles in the street. A clergy friend and I talked about doing something publicly and substantially as a way of addressing this problem. On the first march we had ten people. We had three major goals, (1) to educate, (2) to find common ground to work together with other churches and community organizations, and (3) to provide a positive event for the community. We find that we are getting information out to our community in a creative way and that we are stimulating ways for groups and people to work more together.

We are very grateful for Bishop Lee, Rev. Mary Anglin, and Rev. Gerhard Wiesinger, who provided important guidance and support on the regional level. We are indebted to the many local families, friends from the local schools, and members of our church for all their hard work and investment in the program. Certainly, we are grateful for our



by Soniyae Stephens

This year I was in Unit 3, Team 5. Our counselor was Hope and our Counselor-In-Training was Rachel. My cabin mates where (going in bed order) Miwa, Maria, Annie, Tracey, Misha, Jungy, and Francesca. I love you guys! Good times in the cabin, with all those fake tattoos, and really random, weird, and funny conversations. ^_^ I LOVE YOU GUYS!

Ok, Let's see ... this is now my 5th year at Camp Sunrise. Camp this year was very different than the others, well I think so. But, change for the better.

This year there was "praise and worship", where you sing songs and connect with God. For me it was ... what's the word ... moving. I felt like I was connecting with God for the first time. (I think that's cool!) Before I didn't really connect with God because I didn't really know how. But through singing I think I did connect. Through some of the songs we sang, I could feel God's heart. I guess I found a way to understand God.

I realized that everyone has different ways to connect/understand God. For instance, praying. For me praying wasn't my specialty, I just couldn't really pray. I mean, I would pray silently and in my head, and then I would get off topic. Also, when I really try to pray to God and hear a voice, for some reason I don't think it's Him. I just think it's me answering my own questions or thoughts.

Anyway, for some people they can go out in the world and see all it's won-

ders and understand God. When I go out in a forest, I just say to myself "wow...he made this for me" But I kind of feel selfish after that. Some understand God by being a parent, I'm only 14 so I am definitely not a parent yet, so I can't try that method out yet. There



are many more I am sure. If you haven't really connected with God, don't worry, there will be a time when you really try. And who knows it might be another way to experience God. ^_^

I remember when I didn't really think God wanted to answer me, or help me out. But it's kind of funny how many times he has helped me. Oh like when I was about 7 years old, I remember my dad telling me that if I get the chicken pox when I am older then I might die or something like that. After I heard that I was so scared, because I didn't have the chicken pox yet. So I prayed so hard. I probably said something like this "Dear Heavenly Father, PLEASE,

PLEASE, PLEASE give me the chicken pox! ... Amen." I think I prayed that for maybe 2 days and about a week later, I got the chicken pox. (I am really glad I got them so I don't have to worry about them anymore) Funny story but true.

I have another story. I don't remember the age I was, but I was about in the 3rd grade. I was at the park near my house with my next door neighbor, Robby. I was on the swing trying to look all-cool by not holding onto it. So I was swinging with "no hands" when I got really high and flung backwards and landed on my neck, on mulch. (ouch) Robby was probably thinking "she's dead" but I got up, trying to breathe. I remember sitting up and seeing Robby telling me "I'll go get your dad!" and seeing him run as fast as he could to my house. After a while of just sitting on the mulch, then I see my dad running with open arms. I think any normal kid would have gotten a broken neck from that. So I thank God for that day, and keeping me safe. I am very thankful for every little thing God has done for me. I probably don't even notice how lucky I am to be a 2nd gen. From now on I will thank God for everyday of my life.

Ok, enough with little stories, I am really here to talk about Camp Sunrise. Yeah, as I said before the praise and worship really helped me connect with

God. I hope the singing helped others as it helped me.

During camp we had Uncle Joe Leonard give the lectures.

Personally I thought he was a great lecturer. He kept me interested when he started talking. He lectured about God, and God's heart. Also, what is "my God" as in how do we see him. For me he is like my dad. Strong, yet soft, at first I thought he was just a ball of light, but as the days went by at camp I realized that I actually thought of him as my dad. I really respect my dad. I love him so much.

This year we didn't have to do little skits. When I first did the skits, which was a couple years ago, I hated them. I guess back then, I just had stage fright. So this year I was happy there wasn't any, but once I thought about it, that was a good part of camp. I always remember the skits, and usually they were funny and fun to do. Oh and how can I forget some where embarrassing...(which made it even funnier) If you read my testimony last year you would remember my skit, if you don't, it's ok you don't really want to know about that anyway. ^_^ During the planning of the skits I think the units got to know each other better. I thought the "name game" that Unit 3 played at the beach was not helpful at getting to know each other, at all. I thought that game was scary, because that whole game was somewhat a blur to me. This is just me, maybe for others that game was helpful.

This year was the first year I ever forgot my camera!... that really got me sad. L All I have right now is the whole camp picture from Sara! Thanks Sara if you're reading this! J

Ok, sports for the Obajathon (sorry if I spelled that wrong...) where practically the same from last year, nothing new. But it was still fun. There was that one game where you had a string attached to two trees and everyone from a team has to get over it without touching it. Man, I remember getting everyone over

it last year. This year everyone got over except Tracey and I, we were just trying to figure out how to do it. I was trying to think of what I did in the past but nothing came to my mind, weird huh? Anyway, that was a little experience I had...

Food, was good. Like every year it's good. J Thank you kitchen staff and the head chef!

I cannot wait until I become 16! So I can become a CIT, doesn't it seem exciting to be one? Don't you think so? Well you might not, but anyway...I think if I were a CIT, I would get closer to God. I really want that relationship to get stronger. Also, I get to meet new people and be a "mini" leader, I guess. So that's something I will look forward to in two years.

All in all camp was great! It's always great! Can't wait until next year! Hope to see everyone next year! ♦



Pennsylvania Family Camp 2005

by Rob & Sally Sayre

Over 120 families attended the three sessions of the 11th year of Family Camp held July 25 - August 11, 2005. This was the largest and most ambitious undertaking yet. Three new initiatives were introduced this year: stand-alone management teams for each week, senior second-generation staff, and a new educational track, Introduction to the Blessing, Marriage and Family Life. The management teams were responsible for every aspect of their week of camp. The positions were: Camp Director, Education Director, On-Site Registrar, Food Services Director and General Affairs Director. These key positions recruited and

formed each workshop and workshop group, formed and managed each work group in camp, and oversaw the various activities offered and organized during camp. Bringing together a diverse group of people, some of whom had not worked closely together before, to orchestrate Family Camp was not an easy task. The unity developed and teamwork exhibited were truly amazing and a strong testimony to our children of what unity and teamwork are really all about. We specifically recruited second generation to work in key positions this year, including Education Director, Assistant Camp Director and key workshop positions. These kids performed magnificently! Many stayed two

week,s and a few stayed for three. They provided continuity between weeks, built the spirit and provided the core leadership for all the workshops. We predict that within two years, at least one week of camp will be run by the second generation. Finally, we introduced a new educational track, centered on preparing for the Blessing. Not an official Blessing Workshop, but a stepping-stone toward the commitment to the matching and Blessing, this turned out to be a resounding success. Our hats are off to Henri Schauffler, Gerry Servito and Alan Saunders, who developed the curriculum and inspired young and old alike with their lectures. We also had three generations of blessed families attending for the first time, which was an inspiration to all. It won't be too long before three generations at camp will be the norm! This truly is kindgom- building work!❖



2nd Gen Surf Challenge in San Diego

This year began the first official C.I.G. Surf Challenge. Eighteen second generation teens joined instructors John Modesitt and Jack Ashworth for a powerful and challenging three and a half days of instruc-

tion and adventure. The Culture of Heart that True Parents are teaching was the basis for this program. Beginning with HDK, we read from Father's words about the ocean. Next, we headed for a full day of surfing. Many that

joined had never been in the ocean and went beyond their limitations. Everyone was exhausted and sunburned towards the end but we all had a new sense of appreciation for the power and beauty of God's incredible creation.

The goal was to elevate our awareness of the creation and discover Heavenly Father in a whole new way! More information on this program, email at chateaugod@yahoo.com❖





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BELIEVERS

This article is about beliefs. Not the formal doctrines that fill so many weighty tomes, but rather the concepts and viewpoints that folks live by every day. People do guide their lives by some belief system, whether they admit it or not. Usually that's a good thing, but not always

Faith

All religions wish to separate their adherents from the sinful, mundane world. Whether it's ancient India or the modern United States, secular society continually tempts believers. Therefore, it's good to have strong faith.

Modern culture loves to denigrate believers, especially Christians and members of new religions. Many scientists, presumably the smartest and best-educated people around, are atheists. A whole bunch of people can relate terrible experiences with their childhood religion, and will run the other way whenever it's mentioned.

Why is this? Many reasons. Do believers themselves the blame? Unfortunately, yes.

In the 1720s, the Lady Wortley Montagu of England learned about smallpox inoculations during a visit to Turkey. Despite its obvious effectiveness, most people remained wary. When London was hit by an epidemic, desperate physicians finally utilized her method. Even then, some British preachers resisted, claiming that smallpox was God's method of judgment.

In fairness, the prominent American minister Cotton Mather did advocate smallpox inoculations, even after

angry mobs threatened his life. But then, around 1750, certain pastors made the same kind of irrational objection, in opposing Ben Franklin's newfangled lightning rods.

Around the year 1900 silent movies were first developed, and huge scandals erupted over the depiction of men and women kissing. Preachers

thundered that such films (originally, about a minute long) would ruin society. If they saw half today's TV shows, not to mention the rest of our pop culture, they'd probably have a heart attack. (Hmm... could they have been right after all?)

Today, a lot of people (including one lady I knew) are Young Earth Creationists. Not only to they bash Darwin, but the entire weight and canon of science! They claim the universe is about ten thousand years old, so that items such as dinosaur fossils, ancient craters, and the Milky Way must either be debris from Noah's Flood, durable misunderstandings, or Godly deceptions

Fundamentalists

Every religion has its zealots. Most are small scale annoyances, and a few are vengeful crusaders. In almost every case, they aren't doing anyone, including their own religion, much good.

What sets them apart? More than strong conviction, it's a powerful emotion and will, accompanied by little, if any, deep thought.

These fundamentalists have latched on to some leader (or tight-knit group), and to his (rarely her) doctrine, and proceed to believe and do anything they're told. If that trusted leader says so, it's enough. No doubts or questions are entertained, just instant, emotional agreement. At worst, there are infamous clerics who justify, encourage, or even conduct terrorism; be it in Iraq, Sri Lanka, or Northern Ireland.

On a personal level, fundamentalists can be equally harsh. They usually have a deep but narrow certainty, because they assume their every idea and opinion is also God's own. Thus, anyone who doubts or disagrees is not only wrong, but evil. This sort of woman might feel sad about that; or a man, contemptuous. And then, with a shake of their heads, anger rises instead of compassion, and "righteous" punishment is administered.

These days it's popular to bash religion for producing such people, but other belief systems have fundamentalists of their own. It could be a political ideology, or some nutritional theory, or the gansta rap culture. Because they lack 'internal' skepticism, their mindset also sustains a host of wild conspiracy theories. (Listen to talk radio shows and you'll hear plenty.)

Fortunately for humankind, genuine fundamentalists are rare. Your author has met several hard-shell Old Time Religion ministers, and all were friendly, at church and at home. As with lawyers, a nasty few give the rest a bad name.

(It's rare for now. Billions of Saudi oil dollars are funding Wahhabi madrasa schools all over the world, churning out ignorant, hateful young

people as fast as they can.)

Dualism

Another common religious belief, which can be found in almost any town or fantasy novel, is Dualism. (I don't mean Cartesian philosophy here, but that's another tough issue.)

Theologically, you often find Dualism blended into New Age beliefs. (Most of those folks don't know it.) Originally begun by Zoroaster, in Jesus' time it was popular as Mithraism. Later, in Europe, it revived as the Cathar heresy.

Dualism is enjoying another big revival. My writer friend Candace Gilmer put the concept succinctly: "There will always be a balance between darkness and light, always between good and evil. There is no top without a bottom, no left without a right, no up without a down, and of course, no God without a Devil."

The popular Star Wars genre is perhaps the greatest fount of such ideas. The theme of "bringing balance to the Force" can easily be interpreted as Dualism. It may be a coincidence, but Candice operates one of the largest Stars Wars 'fan fic' web sites out there.

Ultimately, Dualism is hopeless belief, since it makes God and Satan eternal and coequal. Thus, neither ourselves or the universe could really be cleansed of evil, contradiction, or suffering. It's nearly the opposite of the Principle

Atheism

Dualism doesn't accept One God, but atheists don't acknowledge a God of any kind. I've been participating in a couple of discussion groups, online forums that include many scholars and technicians. Always fascinating! For every believer who speaks up on a topic, there's an atheist to respond, and so on.

It turns out that atheists can be as passionate, and defensive about their belief system, as anyone else. For example, they'll slam critics of Darwin in a manner that would make a gossip columnist proud.

Not all leftists are atheists, but in virtually every case, their God is so wishy-washy they might as well be. Among thinkers on the left (the handful of folks who have followers of their own), squabbles get just as intense as the ones between theologians. At places like Berkeley's

KPFA radio, arguments and scandals often erupt; sometimes over ideology and tactics, but also from clashing personalities. This is Marxism's special version of "how many angels can dance on the head of a pin." In the past, it became just as deadly as any Catholic inquisition or Sunni-Shia war. Just ask Leon Trotsky...

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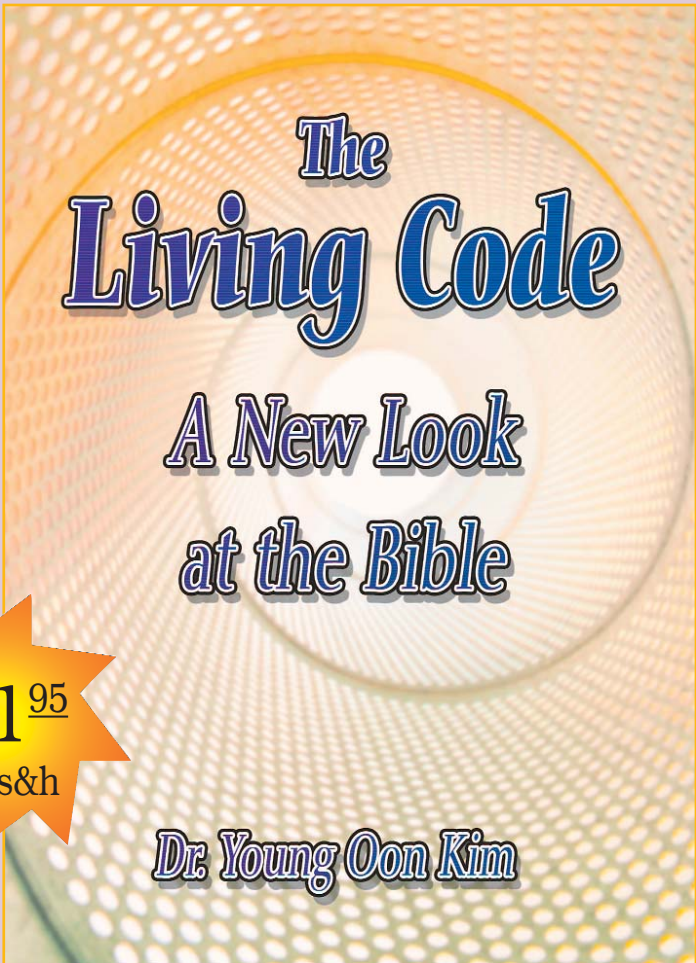
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