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True Mother's tours

1992 True Mother's World Speaking Tour

On November 13, 1992, more than fourteen years after leaving Great Britain, True Mother arrived at Heathrow Airport from Berlin on the second leg of her eight city European speaking tour as President of the Women's Federation for World Peace. That evening, she spoke at the New Connaught Rooms in London, where many church events had been previously held, including the 1989 World CARP Convention.

After some initial negativity that threatened to stop the event had been overcome, True Mother was able to address the audience of over 1,000 on the topic of "Women's Mission for World Peace". Diplomats, professors and religious leaders were represented in the audience. It was all a long way from 1972 and the Friends Meeting House.

That night she stayed in Livingstone House, a mansion built for the famous Scottish missionary David Livingstone that had been purchased by Rev. Moon in 1978. In recent years, it had been restored as a house for Rev. and Mrs.

Moon and a conference center. British members were pleased to hear her say, "Father will like this place" when she toured the house and grounds the following morning.

True Mother gave her second speech that night, November 14, before 400 people in Edinburgh and departed the following morning for Paris, France, next stop on her speaking tour.

In the excitement of her visit, two items in the British press were almost overlooked. On the day of her arrival, the Church of England decided after many years of debate to allow the ordination of women. Was this some internal recognition of the coming of the age of women?

Then, a few hours before the speech, police stopped a truck which was being driven "suspiciously" and discovered more than 1000 pounds of high explosive: the biggest IRA bomb found in London and possibly destined for the general area of the New Connaught Rooms.

Left: True Mother receives a gift after delivering her speech, at the New Connaught Rooms in London, November 13, 1992.

Right: True Mother speaking to members at the victory celebration after the speech November 13, 1992.



On November 1, 1992, the UC's Ecumenical and Interfaith Department held the first Youth and Society Forum, in Cambridge on the topic of 'The Original Human Nature as seen from the Various Religious Traditions'; five traditions gave their views. This was followed by a second Forum on February 20, 1993, in Southall, West London, where six traditions gave their views on the 'The Role of Religion and the Family in Building a Better Society'.

In April 1993, Mark Brann was appointed president of the British movement after Masatoshi Abe's 10 years at the helm. In July, in Lancaster Gate, Unificationists and friends celebrated the 25th Anniversary of the registration of HSA-UWC as a charity in the UK.



1993 A snapshot of the movement

Left: The main event poster of True Mother's speech, London, November 13, 1992.

Right: True Mother signing the programme and her speech.

A church publication from 1993 printed the following snapshot of the UK movement:

56 younger members are on MFT, 29 of them on the continent of Europe. A witnessing team of 7 works centred on the video centre in central London. A mobile Revival Witnessing Team of 15 members is currently based in the Midlands. 7 members are working in Bulgaria and 6 in the CIS [Russian Commonwealth]. 30 others are working temporarily in other foreign countries.

Businesses which are active and effective are fish, Ginseng and health products, farming, printing and photocopying. In all 18 full-time and part-time members are involved together with other employees.

CARP has 7 full-time members and is working in Oxford, Cambridge and Wales.

The bulk of the members are in a home town situation, with jobs, and part of the 22-church organisation.

In this period from 1993 to 1996 there was great success with our witnessing and outreach programmes. The UK Movement had the best witnessing results among all the European nations for two consecutive years and regular two, seven and twenty one-day workshops were held, with new members joining activities in the New Hope teams.

Two PWPA conferences were held in 1993. The first was from April 8 to 9 in London on the topic of 'World Futures' and the second was from August 4 to 6 at St Andrews, Scotland on the topic of 'Science, Morality and Values'.

1993 True Mother visits with declaration of True Parents

On November 7, 1993, True Mother returned to the UK in the course of her 40-nation world speaking tour. She spoke in London on “True Parents and the Completed Testament Age”. In this speech, the messianic mission of the True Parents was clearly proclaimed to the British public for the first time:

“Ladies and Gentlemen, it is my great privilege to announce to you the first completed True family. My husband and I, together with our thirteen children and twenty grandchildren, are absolutely dedicated to serving God and humanity. With three generations in one family, we have achieved on the family level the central root (grandparents), the central trunk (parents), and the central bud (children) of the ‘Tree of Life’ mentioned in the Bible.”

Before True Mother arrived the blessed wives did a two-hour prayer condition for 21 days and True Mother commented at the breakfast the morning after the event, “You must have done a lot of prayer to make this kind of success”. True Mother gave her speech in the evening held at the Royal Lancaster Hotel, where the 3rd ICUS had been held in 1974.

Although the hotel’s external circumstances were not so great True Mother was very happy. Of the 1,200 who attended the speech, there were 900 guests of which half were VIPs. This was very significant because we could not do what True Parents originally wanted, which was to hold the event in the Parliament or some other major national building. The next-best thing was to hold the event in a hotel where True Parents had been before and to have the highest-level quality of participation. Forty-four ambassadors or other very high-level diplomats came to the VIP reception.

The person who introduced True Mother was Professor Ursula King, a world-famous scholar and she gave a very glowing testimony to True Mother. Surely True Mother was especially very happy to have such a woman in an Eve country give an introduction to her.

During the Victory Celebration, True Father from Korea congratulated British members and then said, “What can I do for the British movement?” It was very inspiring to members to see how happy True Father was and actually in Korea he started to dance. True Father said later to Japanese leaders that the combined victory in London and Canada was like the final condition to restore the failure of Christianity on the global level. The next day True Mother went off to Canada and one of the things that True Father said was that because of the victory in London, as the mother or parent nation, then the success in Canada, the younger sister or child nation, could be guaranteed.

Following True Mother’s speech, True Father gave the goal of distributing her speech to every household in the nation, so in 1994, a special edition was printed and members did their best to disseminate it.

A campaign began to make 1,000 church members: a 70-day prayer and fast condition was made and there was a general mobilisation effort with rallies in many cities.

On September 27, a one-day seminar on Ecumenical and Interfaith Contacting and Relations was held in the Lancaster Gate HQ for members from all parts of the country.

Bottom-Left: True Mother giving her speech in London on the November 7, 1993. The title of the speech was: “True Parents and the Completed Testament Age”.

Bottom-Center: True Mother receives an award after her speech.

Bottom-Right: The official poster of the event.





1996-98 Inauguration of the FFWPU

Top: True Mother receiving a gift at the victory celebration, November 7, 1993.

Left: Tim and Dolores Read appointed as National Leader of UK in 1996.

Right: Inauguration of the FFWPU at the New Connaught Rooms in London, October 19, 1996.

In January, 1996 Tim Miller was appointed as National Leader of the Unification Movement in the UK. Nine months later in October, 1996 Tim Read was appointed as National Leader and he served in this position for the next 11 years, becoming the longest serving National Leader in the UK.

True Mother embarked on a World Speaking Tour to Inaugurate FFWPU and came to Europe in October 1996.

She was due to speak in London on October 19 but was called back to Korea one week before she was due to arrive. In her place, Rev. Chung Hwan Kwak came to London on October 19 and delivered her speech to a packed audience of over 900 in the New Connaught Rooms in Central London.

In 1996 the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification (FFWPU) was established in the UK.





True Father called for 4 National Messiahs to be appointed to every nation throughout the world, the USA and the UK together being designated to find a total of around 190 'Abel' National Messiahs. Over 100 British members from the UK and overseas responded to the call and set off for Korea to attend a National Messiah 40-day workshop in Cheong Pyeong, after which they were allocated to a particular country and made arrangements for their travel. The National Messiahs appointed to the UK were:

Rev. and Mrs Young Hwi Kim (Korea)

Adam National Messiahs

Mr. and Mrs. Michio Fujii (Japan)

Eve National Messiahs

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Stein (USA)

Abel National Messiahs

Mr. and Mrs. Bruno Klotz (Germany)

Cain National Messiahs

From the end of 1996, the movement's activities focused initially on FFWPU projects, with an emphasis on interfaith and intercultural reconciliation work, service projects and work with family values and youth. Later, by 2004 - 2005, work was done to develop links with the media and in the political field.

January 4, 1998 saw the completion of a seven-day workshop for 44 second generation teenagers held at Livingstone House, Chislehurst.

Later that month, British Unificationists donated money personally to the IRFF to provide food supplies for North Korea, following an appeal to the worldwide HSA-UWC membership for funds to supply humanitarian aid.

The Unificationist-led Morality Forum worked with other churches throughout the year to oppose immorality of all forms in society. Active members met on March 18 and subsequently attended meetings of such organisations as the National Viewers and Listeners Association (now Mediawatch-UK).

On June 21, a seminar was held in central London for educators, teachers and parents, entitled "The Importance of the Family and Education of our Children". It featured speakers from Westminster Interfaith, the West London Islamic Centre, the Sathya Sai Education in Human Values programme and the FFWPU, under the auspices of the Interfaith Intercultural Circle for the Family (IICF). The IICF held another seminar under the same heading, also for educators, teachers and parents, in central London on November 28.

In September, an IOWC / Pure Love Alliance (PLA) team was established, working out of the basement of Lancaster Gate. The PLA promotes sexual abstinence before, and outside, marriage.

Left: The new appointed National Messiahs couples at London's Headquarter, July 1, 1997.

Top: Mark and Linda Brann with Mr and Mrs Abe in front of Lancaster Gate, Headquarters 1996.



1999 True Mother's World Speaking Tour

Right Page: True Mother giving her speech at the New Connaught Rooms conference centre in London, May 16, 1999.

True Mother visited Britain again on May 16, 1999 as part of her 82-city world tour and spoke at the New Connaught Rooms in London to an audience of 1,300 including 440 guests and VIPs.

True Mother's plane landed at London Gatwick Airport and despite a number of difficulties that the European church had been facing in getting permission for True Parents to enter, she arrived safely and stayed in Livingstone House, which had been vigorously prepared over the preceding weeks.

During her visit, a meeting of all the European leaders was held under the guidance of Pres. Kwang-kee Sa, the European continental director at the time. Meals for all the European guests had to be served in a large marquee in the garden.

True Mother gave a long speech at Hoon Dok Hwe after the event and gave strong guidance to all the assembled European leaders and members.





A number of 'New Families for a New Millennium' seminars were held during the year, starting in April at Lancaster Gate in London with 30 participants, followed by a meeting in June at which 350 people attended. The next one took place in London on August 21 at the Marylebone Campus of the University of Westminster, where the speakers were Professor Anthony Flew, Cllr. Lurline Champagnie and Timothy Read. On October 23, a seminar was held at Lancaster Gate, where the speaker was Mrs Veronica Pierson, and the final meeting of the year was held in December.

The inauguration of the Youth Federation for World Peace (YFWP) in the UK took place on July 31, 1999, attracting 80 participants. The meeting, under the title of "Empowering Youth for the New Millennium", offered both words of inspiration and ideas of what young people and youth groups could accomplish together in Britain in the future. In August, a rally was held in support of the Pure Love Alliance, which had 50 participants and 200 spectators.

On November 24, a seminar on inter-racial harmony was held in London, and in the same month, at the Morality Forum in London, a talk was presented on alternative teenage magazines. On December 9, a Faith and Reason conference was held. Also in this year, the first National Hook Dok Hwe Conference was held at the Lancaster Gate headquarters.

A 'New Families for the New Millennium' seminar was held at the London HQ, on February 19, 2000, with 30 participants and another seminar was held at the same venue on April 9, with 25 participants. On February 22, an elder Unificationist couple appeared on the Esther Rantzen Show on television, speaking about the Blessing. In the spring, a Family Life seminar took place at Cleeve House discussing unity between husband and wife and harmony with children.

50 members of the Kimbanguist Church held a joint service with the FFWPU at their London HQ on April 16.

Top: True Mother at the leaders meeting in Livingstone House, 1999.



2000 True Mother's World Speaking Tour

Top: True Mother sightseeing in London, May 20, 2000.

Left: True Mother speaking in London, May 20, 2000.

Center: True Mother, with the recipients of the special award, after the speech in Edimburgh, May 21, 2000.

Right: True Mother in Birmingham, May 22, 2000.

From May 20–22, 2000 True Mother spoke again in London, Edinburgh and Birmingham as part of a wider world tour.

In London, the main event took place in the Marriott Hotel in Grosvenor Square, which is situated in a very fashionable and elegant area. The hall was completely packed. There were more than 1,000 guests (more than the original estimate), including 30 key religious leaders, eight politicians, 10 ambassadors and diplomats, 30 academics, three members of royalty, and 10 women leaders.

In Edinburgh, the venue was The Balmoral Hotel, the finest hotel in the city. The speech was attended by some 250 people, and the atmosphere was very warm.

In Birmingham, the event took place in The Centennial Centre, one of the Midlands' most prestigious conference venues. Just over 400 people attended True Mother's speech. Members and guests came from Newcastle, Manchester, Wales, Bristol, and London – all parts of the country – as well as Birmingham.



