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By Song Gwang-seok, President of FFWPU-Korea



Dear members,
I hope that 2024, the Year of the Blue Dragon, will be a landmark year in the substantial building of Cheon Il Guk. May we all heed the words of the True Mother, and shed all negativity to embark on a fresh start.

The year 2023 was a time to deeply appreciate the miraculous golden age led by the True Mother. The Korean Family Federation has diligently sought unity with Cheonshim Won, inspired by the True Mother's teachings to grow in spirit and truth. Our church is witnessing a new rebirth, energized by the active participation of staff and members in vigils at Cheonshim Won and the significant events at the HJ Heaven and Earth CheonBo Training Center. We are seeing the spiritual and physical healing of our members through the liberation of central spirits.

Building on this foundation, we continue to nurture and educate new members, ensuring the church's growth through witnessing. We are offering educational opportunities to acquaint new members with the teachings and life of the True Parents. This includes the Yongpyeong Happiness Principle Seminar, the Cheonshim Seminar for inheriting Heavenly Fortune, and Pilgrimages to Holy Lands, such as visits to the original headquarters. Moreover, to foster a culture of innovation within the church, we support advanced degrees for pastors and provide pastoral training courses to enhance preaching and evangelization.

We are laying the groundwork for our youth, the future of Cheon Il Guk, to become deeply rooted in the church. This includes appointing young leaders under 40 and implementing various youth support policies.

Korean leaders embarked on the Year of the Blue Dragon with a 14-day seminar (February 23 to March 7) at the HJ Heaven and Earth CheonBo Training Center, likened to the womb of the True Mother. There, they delved into the True Parents Theory and experienced spiritual rebirth through vigils in Cheonshim Won. This training reinforced our commitment to unite with the True Mother, the Only Begotten Daughter, and substantial Holy Spirit. It's essential for revealing the essence of Jesus, for Christianity to fulfill its mission, and to welcome the True Mother. At the seminar's conclusion, the True Mother visited and prayed for Korea to unite with her and become the joyous homeland of Cheon Il Guk.

Dear members, the True Mother aims to dedicate to God the "Entry into the Cheon Won Gung Cheon Il Sanctum" as part of a heavenly unified Korea. It's our duty to proclaim the presence of the Only Begotten Daughter during this golden age. As we progress toward the victory of Vision 2025, the Heavenly Korea Family Federation is committed to wearing the armor provided by the True Mother and to advancing as brave warriors of heaven. Your support and encouragement are invaluable.

Thank you. With love. 

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The God Who Needs Liberation

Cheon Seong Gyeong, Book 1, Chapter 4, Section 3

To complete the providence of restoration, we must restore all levels that were not completed. This includes the level Adam could not attain after the Fall and the level Jesus Christ was unable to reach. All of these we have to explain, indemnify and restore in the context of our present time. This is the mission of the Unification Church. I have to fulfill them myself, and I have to lead all the Unification Church members worldwide who follow me to do the same. This is my mission.

We must awaken to an understanding of God's plan for the world—the environment and the ideal that He bestowed upon Adam and Eve prior to their Fall. We have to have a clear ideological standard and conviction so that we can overcome any harsh environment, no matter how much our enemy, the devil, may oppose and struggle against us. With this we should be strong enough to overcome all the evils that influence society and affect our daily life. If we are pulled down and fall away, it will be impossible to complete the providence of restoration. That is why each of us who is alive on earth and who knows the Will must resolve, "I am the one who will solve the problems of this

world. I will do it, even if I am the only one left on earth." Without having such conviction, we cannot stand as representatives of the world in front of God, the subject partner. Thinking of this, unless our basic attitude is that we are free from attachments to this world, unless we uphold the ideal that God had for Adam and Eve before the Fall, unless we have the mindset that we are the embodiments of the subject partner, and unless we are resolved to transcend this world of death, we will surely fail repeatedly on the way of the Will.

Up to now there has never been a true family, a family whose lineage is based on God's true love. Our ancestors are fallen, and our ties with them are based on false love, false life and false lineage; that is the reason our mind and body struggle against each other. Adam and Eve became enemies, and killing occurred among their children. God's providence of salvation is the providence to restore all this. In order to complete the providence of salvation, we have to build the true family that was lost. That is, we have to be sons and daughters who unite our mind and body, and then we have to become couples that absolutely unite in true love and live with God eternally.

When the Messiah comes again, what will be his purpose? It will be to shatter Satan's sovereignty, bring humankind back to God, expel Satan from this world, and work with Christianity to finish God's providence of salvation. These are the purposes that the Messiah comes to fulfill. In other words, the mission of the Messiah is to complete the providence of restoration for the sake of returning to the original world of God's Will.

The Lord of the Second Advent comes to complete the foundation of God's providence of restoration that Jesus left. Specifically, he comes to perfect the ideal of True Parents, who are the origin of God's true love, true life and true lineage. Thus, he is the original seed for completing the ideal of creation. He comes upon the victorious foundation of the fundamental providence on God's side that had been completed up to the time of Jesus. This means that he comes directly upon the foundation of the victories that Jesus established in his life up through the time of his maturity as an individual. Then he fulfills the tasks that Jesus left to be accomplished later. These are to find his bride, to become the True Parents, and to save all of humankind. 





We must educate and reveal the truth of providence

*Heavenly Korea Church Leaders Special Workshop
on the Theology of True Parents - Closing Ceremony, March 7, 2024*

I have been waiting so long to meet you. Sixty-three years have passed.

As you will be going out into the world and should in particular be working to restore the Christian realm, I would like to talk with you about Jesus.

Following the Fall, Heaven had to conduct the providential history of salvation. God chose

the people of Israel. Yet, how difficult must it have been for God to lay the foundations for individuals, families, tribes, ethnic groups and the nation that it took God 4,000 years to send His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ? Moreover, when Heavenly Parent saw His only begotten Son, whom he could call his own, having to go to the path

of the cross after only 33 years on earth, and in the unimaginable situation of being crucified with thieves on both sides of him, what would have been in the heart of our Heavenly Parent?

Despite his pain over losing the final time to complete his responsibilities, Jesus prayed, "Yet not my will, but yours be done."

Jesus, however, said he would return. Jesus had to return.

The beginning and end of Heaven's providence must be the same. There can be no concept of failure. Since failure is always followed by indemnity, the truth must be revealed in the era of the completion of the providence.

The only begotten Son was born 2,000 years ago, but the only begotten Daughter did not appear. Because of the indemnity they had to pay, the only begotten Daughter could not come through Israel.

Heaven raised the Korean people, among whom the only begotten Daughter could be born for the sake of the completion of the providence. You all have received training in the Theology of True Parents, so you are all familiar with this topic, aren't you?

In 1943, God's only begotten daughter was born on the Korean Peninsula. (Applause)

God provided Christianity with many opportunities to fulfill its responsibilities in relation to the birth of the only begotten Daughter. God also provided opportunities for the individual who had to take on the responsibility of the returning Messiah. Korea was under Japanese rule at the time, and in 1945, the nation was liberated. In 1950, the Korean War began. The Korean Peninsula was divided North and South, between communism and democracy.

Yet, even in such a situation, Heaven had to give the only begotten Daughter time to grow. Sixteen UN member states intervened in the Korean War. All of this was possible due to Heaven's presence and grace.

It was Jesus' hope to meet the first Only Begotten Daughter. After meeting her, they would have assumed the position of the True Parents. His wish was to do that. As a result, True Parents are responsible to create the environment in which we may attend the Creator, Heavenly Parent, on this earth.

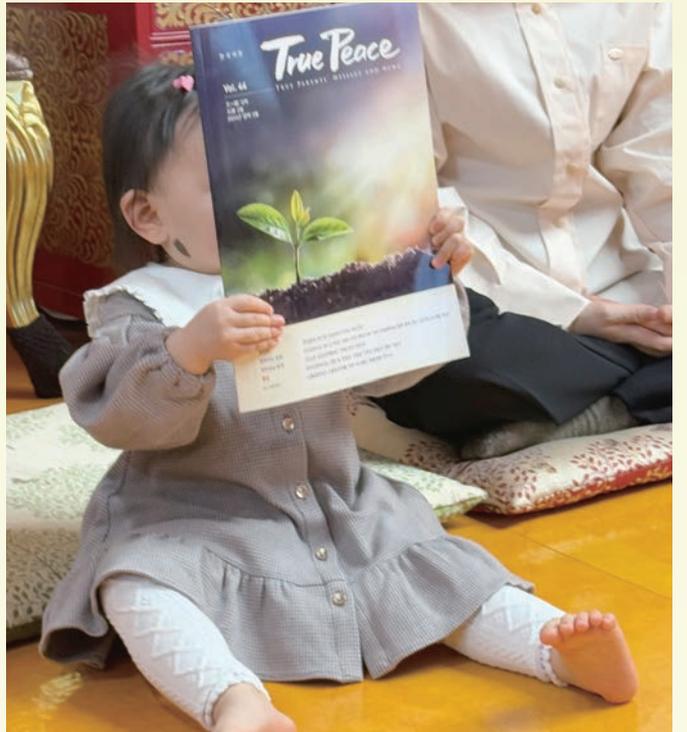
However, as you all know, the 53 years of the Unification Church became a wilderness course. I had to wait and endure. I am a person who knows Heavenly Parent's dreams and wishes. I am now more than 80 years of age, and still, I cannot say that we have succeeded in restoring a nation or continent, can I?

Living in an unprepared environment, blessed families, especially 2nd-generation members born from 1st-generation blessed families—the 2nd-generation born as "Pure Water" from True Parents whom Heaven sent after 6,000 years—did not fully understand the providence; even so, I am thankful that they believed in True Parents and have grown up well. (Applause)

Ten people are better than one. One hundred people are better than ten. The Pure Water, who are increasing in number, must boldly educate and reveal the truth of providence to the world. Thus, I hope that the Korean Church and Korea can stand before the world having fulfilled its responsibilities as the homeland for the Entrance Ceremony for the Cheon Il Sanctum in Cheon Won Gung next year. [Aju!] Will you do so? [Yes.] 







Korea – Special Training for Korean Church Leaders on True Parents Theology

The special seminar, “Special Education on the Theology of the True Parents for the Victory of Vision 2025,” took place at the HJ Heaven and Earth CheonBo Training Center from February 23 to March 7, 2024.

This event featured the participation of 263 pastors from 230 churches across 16 regions nationwide. Its aim was to prepare Heavenly Korea’s pastors to fully unite with True Mother and clarify Jesus’ essence, guiding Christianity to fulfill its mission by accepting True Mother as the Only Begotten Daughter. The core program included lectures on the Spiritual Status and Value of the True Parents, development of lectures on True Parents’ Theology, vigil at the Cheonshimwon, Cheonshim unison prayer, special talks, a contest of lectures on the True Parents Theology, Ceremony to Inherit the Special Holy Salt from Death Valley for a Heavenly Unified Korea and a Heavenly Unified World, Sunday service for the True Parents’ birthday and the Heavenly Top Gun Blessing, and the special Cheonilguk Sunday service.

On the opening day, Dr. Song Gwang Seok, president of FFWPU-Korea, expressed his firm resolve in the opening session: “Through two weeks of special training, we will reestablish the theory of the True Parents and inherit the heavenly fortune of the True Parents for Korea’s reunification, creating a path for homeland unification.” From the second to fifth day, the lectures were delivered by professors who have written on the status and value of the True Parents through education in the Theory of the True Parents, including a lecture by Vice President Lee Ki-sik. On the theme of interpreting the life and words of the True Parents, Vice President Lee Ki-sik stated, “The owners of the words are the True Parents themselves, and substance (or incarnation) precedes the words. The providential plan was carried out and accomplished through choices, decisions, and the fulfillment of responsibilities by both parties. The outcomes of the True Parents’ providential plan are truly infallible.”





Professor Oh Taek-yong testified in the Introduction to Chapter 1 that True Mother, the only begotten daughter, is Heavenly Parent's Only Begotten Daughter born in 6,000 years and is the central axis of the providence's consummation. Professor Hwang Jin-soo, in Chapter 2, explained God, Heavenly Parent, discussing why the Creator God is both Heavenly Father and Mother, possessing male and female nature and status, but historically referred to only as God the Father. In Chapter 3, 'The essence of 2,000 years of Christian history,' Professor Do Hyeop-seop highlighted the essence of the 4,000-year History of the Restoration Providence as the birth of the Only Begotten Son and Daughter, stating that Jesus, the Only Begotten Son, died on the cross because he could not meet the Only Begotten Daughter. He mentioned that Jesus promised to return to celebrate the 'Marriage Feast of the Lamb' as per the book of Revelations, emphasizing that Christianity's essence is to prepare for the birth of the Only Begotten Daughter and the calling of Messiah at the Second Coming. In Chapter 4, 'The True Mother, the Only Begotten Daughter at the First Coming,' Professor Kim Min-ji explained that True Mother grew up in direct communication with Heavenly Parent and chose to enter the Holy Wedding and assume the position of True Mother. Chapter 5, 'The True Father, the Messiah at the Second Coming,' presented by Professor Joo Jae-wan, detailed that True Father inherited Jesus' mission, the Only Begotten Son, clarifying that the Marriage Feast of the Lamb is celebrated when the Only Begotten Daughter and the Messiah at the Second Coming marry in holy matrimony and become True Parents. Finally, in Chapter 6, 'Main Providences for the Establishment of Cheon Il Guk,' Professor Oh Taek-yong delivered a lecture expressing his hope for all of Heavenly Korea's pastors to unite their hearts with True Mother and commit to fulfilling God and the True Parents' dream. Afterward, pastors grouped by regions and teams, prepared their presentations on the lectures of the Theory of the True Parents, presented them, and finally, six competed in a lecture contest.





During the special training period, Korean pastors not only learned the theory of the True Parents but also communed with True Father, Hyojinnim, Heungjinnim, and Daemonim through nightly devotion and Cheongshim unison prayer time at the Cheonshimwon. Through a special talk, Moon Yeon-ah, Chief of Staff, Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon's 1st Secretariat, encouraged pastors by sharing her experiences as the True Family's eldest daughter-in-law during her mission of personally attending to True Mother. Song Yong-cheon, President of FFWPU- International emphasized that communing with True Mother and realizing God and the True Parents' dreams is the most crucial mission and responsibility of the Family Federation's public officials during the golden era of providence. Dr. Yang Chang-shik, Chairman of UPF International, lectured on the Korean Peninsula's division process and the True Parents' unification theory under the theme "Towards the Day of Heavenly Unified Korea," emphasizing that only the True Parents' ideology can create miracles.

During the Special Training Period, congregation members participated online live in special Sunday services part of the seminar. The first service was the 'Memorial Service for the Birthday of the True Parents and the Special Heavenly Top Gun Blessing,' with a sermon by Minister Kim Seok-jin from the Cheonseung Church. The second service was led by Park Jin-guk from the Gongju Church, representing the "Heavenly Top Gun missionaries, themed "Pure Water Resembling Wang omma."



During this period, nine pastors from the South Chungcheong region held the ‘Special Prayer Meeting on Mount Baekdu-san to pray for the unification of South and North Korea’ on the mountain itself and symbolically purified the heavens and the earth with the holy salt from the Valley of Death blessed by True Mother.

On the night of the 13th, the “Ceremony to Inherit Special Holy Salt from Death Valley for a Heavenly Unified Korea and a Heavenly Unified World” for a Heavenly Unified Korea and a Heavenly Unified World was held at Cheonshimwon. Lee Gi Seong, director of the Cheonshimwon, prayed at this ceremony for the restoration of the World through the Special Holy Salt from Death Valley bequeathed by True Mother. Subsequently, Song Gwang-seok, President of FFWPU-Korea distributed the holy salt to 230 leaders. The Special Training closing ceremony took place on March 7 in the presence of True Mother.

Excerpts from True Mother’s words: “God’s providence must be consistent from beginning to end. There can be no failure. Since failure always leads to indemnity, the truth must be revealed in the era of the completion of the providence. The Only Begotten Son of the First Coming was born 2,000 years ago, but there was no Only Begotten Daughter. Jesus’s desire was to meet the Only Begotten Daughter at his First Coming and assume the position of True Parents. The responsibility of the True Parents is to create a foundation that serves the Creator, Heavenly Parent, on earth. Unite with the Only Begotten Daughter, True Mother, and become the chosen people, the sovereigns of Cheonilguk, who joyfully serve God.”

The special training on the Theory of the True Parents for Korean pastors, prepared with the love of God and the True Parents, enables all pastors to unite with True Mother, the Only Begotten Daughter of the First Coming, to properly understand the history and essence of providence, and to be equipped with Spirit and Truth to correctly teach all members and particularly to awaken Christianity so that they fulfill their mission of receiving the Only Begotten Daughter. The leaders committed to assisting True Mother in realizing Vision 2025 and establishing Cheonilguk. 



The Providential Plan of True Parents for the 13th Year of Cheon Il Guk

Special Briefing by Song Yong-cheon,
President of FFWPU- International

Beloved and respected blessed families, members, and Cheon Il Guk leaders!
My warmest greetings to you all.

In Korea this April, the 12th year of Cheon Il Guk, the new shoots breaking through the earth, the flowers blooming, and the mountains and valleys green with new leaf, are filled with the boundless love and grace of Heavenly Parent.

I am praying that Heavenly Parent's warm blessings, like nurturing rays of spring sunshine, will always be with your families and churches.

Today, I would like to discuss the significance of the Reformation that occurred 400 years ago, a subject True Mother has often highlighted, as well as the essence of the providence she is leading toward victory in the 13th year of Cheon Il Guk.

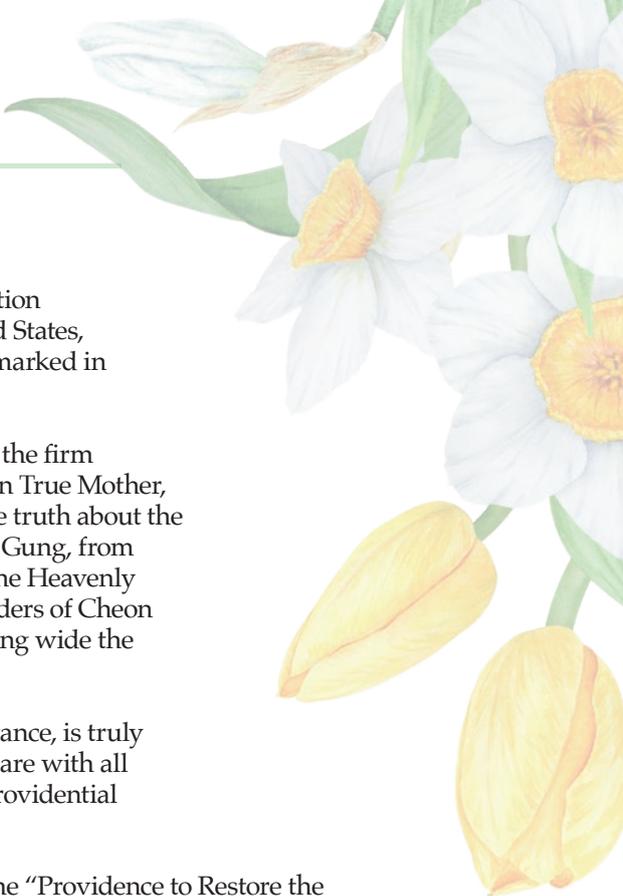
As you know well, the Reformation came about through Martin Luther in 1517. Because the structure of the Catholic Church at the time suppressed original human nature, people could not freely attend God. The Reformation was necessary in light of Heaven's providence to usher in an era to prepare for the Second Coming of the Messiah.

It began with Martin Luther and was consolidated by John Calvin, from the second generation of reformers in 1543. The spirit of reform expanded to the national level when some 80 years later in 1620, the Puritans—who wanted to attend God more directly—established themselves in the New World.

Their priorities were clear: first, they constructed a church in which to worship God and, next, a school to educate their young generation. Only afterwards did they build homes for themselves. This allowed them to receive Heaven's blessing as the central nation in the providence.

Four hundred years after the Reformation, in 1920, the advent of the Returning Messiah, True Father, heralded a new and great transition in Heaven's providence. Through the birth of the only begotten Daughter,





True Mother, in 1943, the providence moved toward its completion and conclusion. And 400 years since the inception of the United States, the 2nd Israel, the substantial settlement of Cheon Il Guk was marked in 2020 with the HJ Cheonwon complex at its center.

The parallel providence from the time of the Reformation to the firm settlement of Cheon Il Guk in substance, which was centered on True Mother, is far from coincidental. True Mother, who has shed light on the truth about the providence, is dedicating the Cheon Il Sanctum in Cheon Won Gung, from which our Heavenly Parent can freely work. She is nurturing the Heavenly Top Gun, from our younger generation of Pure Water, to be leaders of Cheon Il Guk. Through the Holy Spirit and the Truth, Mother is opening wide the gates to a substantial Cheon Il Guk.

Heaven's providence, which is planned and prepared in advance, is truly mysterious and miraculous. From this perspective, I wish to share with all blessed families and members about the "True Parents' Four Providential Dispensations looking to the 13th Year of Cheon Il Guk."

The first core providence that True Mother has overseen is the "Providence to Restore the Essence in the Cheon Il Guk era."

The core of the Cheon Il Guk era is the theology of True Parents, which focuses on True Parents who have become one with Heavenly Parent. Establishing True Parents' position and value is of the utmost importance. In line with this, Heavenly Korea conducted a 14-day special training program for all church leaders nationwide, on our teachings about True Parents. Throughout this period, the Korean pastors developed their own lecture materials and even participated in a lecture competition.

Their warm enthusiasm is spreading through the churches in Heavenly Korea, and all members are receiving education about the True Parents.

I hope that training on these teachings about True Parents can be swiftly conducted throughout the world's regions, so that all blessed families and members worldwide can establish solidarity of heart based on hyojeong [filial devotion], and offer gratitude and glory to True Parents. The International Headquarters is also dedicating its efforts to developing presentations on True Parents for the task of the Restoration of Christianity. We have already conducted three public hearings on this.

The second core providence is the "Entrance into the Cheon Il Sanctum in Cheon Won Gung" Currently, we are in the midst of a second 40-day period of devotions to celebrate the 64th anniversary of True Parents' Holy Wedding and to prepare for the victorious Entrance into the Cheon Il Sanctum in Cheon Won Gung.

Cheon Won Gung will house the central offices of the Cheon Il Guk administration, the Cheonji Sunhak Won, an exhibition showcasing the lifetime achievements of True Parents, and the Cheon Il Sanctum, the sanctuary where we can attend our Heavenly Parent. It will be the base for Heavenly Parent's providential work.

Now with just one year before the Entrance Ceremony next year, I urge members to engage in profound communication and resonance with God in the special Cheon Shim Won prayer room in your church, for the victory of the Entrance into the Cheon Il Sanctum in Cheon Won Gung. One focus can be the five prayer topics. Particularly, I encourage and ask you to

earnestly seek out the righteous individuals that Heaven has prepared, carrying in your bosom the Special Holy Salt from Death Valley that True Mother has bestowed on us.

The third core providence is “The Providence of Nurturing Our Younger Generation.” With the opening of Cheon Il Guk, True Mother’s paramount concern and focus has been on nurturing the members of our younger generation. Through the “1st Class of Heavenly Top Gun Kick-off Ceremony” and subsequent dispatch of 128 Heavenly Top Gun on overseas missions, True Mother has firmly established the foundation for this providence.

The Top Gun missionaries have been sent to many parts of the world, where they are committing themselves wholeheartedly to their witnessing efforts. Their dynamic participation is already infusing fresh energy into the churches, sparking a 2nd revival of heart in the nations where they serve.

The fourth and final core providence is the “The Providence of Recovering Our Spirituality.” Centered around Cheon Shim Won, our global jeongseong headquarters, the mission and providence of recovering our spirituality through the Spirit and the Truth is spreading rapidly worldwide.

On March 22nd, we finally held the 1,000th vigil prayer at Cheon Shim Won. No one could have expected that these vigils, held each night from 10:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m., would have reached this milestone.

We have a saying that “If there is deep devotion, Heaven will be moved.” Our blessed members’ faith and sincerely devoted effort have resulted in great things. It is clearly a precious condition that will allow Heavenly Parent to carry out great works, and it will serve as a solid foundation of faith for a victorious Entrance into the Cheon Il Sanctum in Cheon Won Gung next year in April. Now, I earnestly ask all of you, the blessed families, to please build upon the foundation laid through the vigil prayers and devotions at Cheon Shim Won, and to devote yourselves to the task of witnessing. Please work hard with an earnest and deep heart.

Beloved and respected blessed families, members and leaders of Cheon Il Guk, Guided by the four core providential dispensations True Mother is leading, let’s look ahead one year to the Entrance Ceremony for the Cheon Il Sanctum in Cheon Won Gung, and let’s sincerely demonstrate the living work of the Heavenly Parent through our lives and through our achievements!

What do you think? Let us all do our best to soar high in 2024, the year of the Blue Dragon, making it a time of grace and deep emotion when our Heavenly Parent can say to us, “You have truly worked hard with True Mother, thank you so much!”

Dear beloved brothers and sisters! Let’s really do this! Let’s all move forward vigorously for the restoration of the Christian realm, and also for national restoration, for a heavenly unified Korea and a heavenly unified world!

May you all find happiness and success this April under the grace and love of the Heavenly Parent and the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind. Thank you. *TP*



Overseas Mission Unveiled: The First Batch of Heavenly Top Gun in Action

After the initiation training and Kick-off ceremony for the first group of Heavenly Top Gun on February 22nd, 32 Jr. UPA members were deployed as missionaries to the USA, Europe, and Canada, while 4 Korean Heavenly Top Gun members headed to Africa by February 29th. Then, on March 1st, another group consisting of 10 Sun Moon UPA members set off for Africa, and 3 Korean Heavenly Top Gun members went to the Philippines. Due to academic schedules, 39 Japanese Heavenly Top Gun members finished their training by March 3rd and sequentially embarked on their missionary journeys.

Globally Kick-offed missionaries, including Jr. UPA and Heavenly Top Gun members, are actively spreading hope working as the eyes, ears, hands and feet of True Mother in this providence, constantly engaging and united heart and spirit with True Mother as they do their missionary activities.

Heavenly America

In Heavenly America, the inaugural batch of Heavenly Top Gun, including trainee Moon Shen-Heung, has started their mission training. Their first action was to embrace the filial spirit towards the Heavenly Parent, True Parents, the American mission, and Hyo Jin Moon's legacy of devotion, while at the same time





attending the Seniors present. Despite the brief duration, this batch, including Moon Shen-heung, initiated practical training, infusing new energy into the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification's sites in Heavenly America. Remarkably, within a week, trainee Moon Shen-heung in LA successfully invited 3 guests.

Moon Shen-Heung Trainee

Beloved True Mother, including myself, five UPA trainees are staying in Belvedere, New York State, USA. Meeting American members and looking at the historical footprints left by True Parents on this land, we are reminded of their greatness and importance. True Mother, today in America, we witness the enormous foundation and the historical sites established through the blood, sweat, and tears of True Parents and the early members who sacrificed their lives. Facing the reality of why True Parents sent me to this land, I am determined to run vigorously to realize dreams that seemed impossible together with True Mother. Within the providence of Heavenly Parent, I dedicate my life to testifying to the truth revealed by True Mother, the Only Begotten Daughter, and to accomplish triumphant results through my deeds and endeavors. I sincerely love you, True Mother.

Kakiuchi Akina, Trainee

I have come to realize the important mission of the United States within the global providence as emphasized by True Parents. And why I came to America, what results I should achieve during my missionary period, reflecting on myself, I felt a clear sense of purpose and mission. On behalf of True Parents, I will meet people True Parents most want to meet and give love, to those who are struggling without realizing True Parents, and inform them of the truth. During my stay in America, I will not forget what I have felt in my heart and will work hard. Thank you, True Parents.

Omi Reika Trainee

Visiting places like Belvedere, East Garden, Manhattan Center, and New York Hotel, or listening to the testimonies of senior missionaries, I learned about the history of True Parents' efforts and hardships in sending missionaries to America despite extreme difficulties. Like the first generation who walked with True Parents and advanced in unity, I too will strive so that the day Heavenly Parent and True Parents desire can arrive, carrying the same faith and heart. True Mother! I will definitely become a filial child that brings great joy and hope to True Parents. Thank you.

Heavenly Europe

The first group of Heavenly Top Gun members sent to Europe, including Moon Shin-chul, started their mission by studying European history and others improving their English skills. They then started outreach activities in public areas and managing relationships with potential church guests.

Motivated by True Mother's deep desire, this first group is working hard to share the teachings and significance of True Parents far and wide. They aim to foster a global community dedicated to serving Heavenly Parent, overcoming any language challenges along the way and hoping to see positive results from their missionary efforts.'

Seo Kayu Trainee

True Mother said that pure water should not remain still; it must flow, moving to a higher and broader world to purify the fallen world and create Heaven on Earth and a place where we can attend Heavenly Parent and True Parents.

While on the mission, there will be joyful moments as well as difficulties and sadness. However, I firmly believe that if I always maintain a heart united with Heavenly Parent and True Parents and continue to spread true love, I will undoubtedly achieve victory in Heavenly Albania. So, True Mother, please do not worry! I will surely return more hope to Heavenly Europe, including Albania, before Heavenly Parent and True Parents!! I love you, True Parents!! Thank you!!

Kondo Yuto, Trainee

It feels like just yesterday we were with True Mother at the Kick-off ceremony, and already we're here on the field starting various activities, including witnessing. We are eagerly seeking activities that can help proclaim Heavenly Parent and True Parents here in Albania, together with the Albanian members. True Mother, I have been to Albania before through the UPA's GMP program. However, back then, I honestly couldn't break through my limitations. Now, seeing the dedication Moon Shin-chul trainee shows for Albania, and his efforts to accommodate everyone, I find myself gradually overcoming my own limitations.



There will be times ahead when we face difficulties and feel overwhelmed. But, especially in those moments, we will look only to the members beside us, Heavenly Parent, and True Parents, and walk gratefully on this path opened by True Mother. We will move actively to create a beautiful and shining world! Thank you! I love you!

Mae Hiroaki trainee

I miss True Mother, who always embraces us with warm love. We, the first batch of Heavenly Top Gun, are moving forward across the globe, engraving in our hearts the teachings and resolutions from our training, and the words spoken by True Mother. Our team, consisting of Moon Shin-chul, Moon Ji-woo, Yuto Kondo, Sakai Ayame, Han Jeong-min, and Hiroaki Mae, a total of six members, was dispatched to Tirana, Albania, on February 24th. First and foremost, we are thankful to Heavenly Parent and True Parents for guiding us all safely and without harm to Albania. True Mother! We will not forget the words you gave us at the Heavenly Top Gun Kick-off ceremony and the resolution we made at that time. We will do everything in our power to become children united with Heavenly Parent and True Parents and achieve victory. We will definitely succeed. We will report this victory to Heavenly Parent and True Parents.

Heavenly Africa

The first batch of Heavenly Top Gun members dispatched to Zambia, Heavenly Africa, is conducting training with Heavenly Africa Hyojeongrang students to continue the foundation laid by the first African missionaries and achieve victorious results through missionary activities suitable for the Cheon Il Guk era. Consequently, Heavenly Africa has announced a detailed education plan for the next six months, including a 21-day workshop, 40-day lecture and weekend witnessing practice, and a 70-day witnessing campaign for the first batch of Heavenly Top Gun.

In this vein, the first batch of Heavenly Top Gun is taking the lead in spreading the golden age of providence, the truth of Heaven, on the stature and value of True Parents throughout Heavenly Africa, ensuring the substantial settlement of Cheon Il Guk. 



12th Year of Cheon Il Guk's Memorial Service for True Children Ascended

The Memorial Service for Ascended True Children was conducted on March 29th at 7 PM at the Cheonshimwon of the HJ Heaven and Earth CheonBo Training Center. Attendees included leaders from Heavenly Korea, heads of providential organizations, pastors from Heavenly Korea, youth church presidents, officials from Heavenly Korea and IHQ, staff of Cheonwon Complex, along with blessed families and members from Cheon Won Gung Cheon Won Church.

Song Gwang-seok, President of FFWPU-Korea, in his opening remarks, expressed, "Today, we must remember the heart of the True Parents, who had to send the True Children to the spiritual world as part of their journey on the providential path for humanity's salvation." And continued, "Especially after True Father's ascension, it is our hope to comfort True Mother, who bravely continues on the path towards completing the providence."





Song Yong-cheon, President of FFWPU-International, offered a prayer stating, “Despite the profound sacrifices of their beloved direct children, True Parents never wavered in their dedication to the liberation of the Heavenly Parent and humanity’s salvation. Abel’s deep sacrifice laid the groundwork for the providence to be realized on a cosmic scale, leading to the complete and perfect execution of God’s plan. With the Coronation Ceremony for God’s Kingship, Cheon Il Guk was proclaimed, uniting the kingdom of the Heavenly Parent in heaven and on earth. As we gather here, bowing our heads, we must fully embrace this reality. Let us dedicate ourselves to fulfilling the dream of the Heavenly Parent and the wishes of the True Parents, undertaking our filial duties and responsibilities as blessed families’ worthy in the eyes of Heaven, in harmony with the desires of True Children in the spiritual world.”

Following this, Cheonshim Won President Lee Gi-seong, in his memorial address, mentioned, “The True Parents have faced unspeakable hardships and sufferings on the path of restoration through indemnity, with the sacrifice of the True Children being among the most heartbreaking challenges, experienced not once, but four times. At each instance, the True Parents clarified the providential significance, bringing hope to the Heavenly Parent’s providence.” President Lee emphasized the profound importance of the True Children’s ascension and encouraged everyone to embody the filial heart of Hyo-jin nim and Heung-jin nim at Cheonshimwon, serving True Father in heaven and True Mother on earth, and to strive towards the successful realization of True Mother’s vision for Cheon Il Guk.

The service concluded with three enthusiastic cheers of “Oeg Mansei” led by Kim Dong-yeon, President of CARP Korea. 



Third Public Hearing on the Development of a Lecture Plan Teaching the Theology of True Parents for the Restoration of Christianity

The international headquarters organized the third public hearings for developing a lecture plan on the True Parents theology as part of the restoration of Christianity. These took place on March 8, at the HJ Heaven and Earth CheonBo Training Center. Thirty experts participated in this meeting, including staff members from the Cheon Jeong Gung international headquarters and the FFWPU-Korea headquarters, leaders of providential organizations, and theology professors.

These third public hearings facilitated work on developing a lecture plan on the True Parents theology, which was the focus of the first two public hearings. The program also included a lecture by Dr. Robert Kittle, Cheon Eui Won Chair of Asia-Pacific, on the essence of the Heavenly Parent and the status and value of the True Parents. The goal of this meeting was to fully and correctly reveal to the world the historical truth about the First Coming of the Only Begotten Daughter. To this end, presentations of lecture plans and discussions focused on how to accurately reveal to the Christian sphere of Korea, the providential homeland, the truth about the providence, the appearance of the Only Begotten Daughter, and furthermore, the essence of Jesus.

The event's program took place in the morning and afternoon. In the morning, representatives from the FFWPU-Korea headquarters, UPF-Korea, the Korean Council of Religions, and the Korean Youth Association presented reports and participated in a Q&A session about actions needed to achieve the restoration of the Christian sphere. In the afternoon, leaders of providential organizations and church leaders (Hwang Bo-guk, head of the Cheon Il Guk Embassy; Reverends Cho Han-buk and Yun Kyung-hwan, respectively leaders of the Cheonseung and Jongro churches) presented research work on developing a lecture plan on the True Parents theology. It was a genuine moment of constructive exchanges.

After the presentations, there were in-depth discussions and the sharing of various proposals. At the end of the session, Reverend Cho Man-woong, president of the Association of Senior Pastors, Mr. Lee Hyun-young, president of the Korean Council of Religions, and Mr. Shin Dong-mo, deputy director of the True Mother's First Secretariat, each emphasized the necessity and importance of developing a lecture plan on the True Parents theology today. They then encouraged and supported all those who are making incredible efforts to carry out research work aimed at establishing a definitive lecture plan. 



HJ Cheonwon Flower Park

On January 19, 2002, True Parents designated the Cheongpyeong Holy site as Cheonwon (Heaven's Garden), reflecting its essence as the renewed Garden of Eden, a model base for one human family centered on Heavenly Parent, and the central community for the peaceful ideal world of Cheon Il Guk. After declaring the Foundation Day of Cheon Il Guk in 2013, True Mother bequeathed the essence of Hyojeong (the heart of filial piety) to all humanity to facilitate the tangible establishment of Cheon Il Guk, and on July 1, 2017, she rebranded Cheonwon as HJ Cheonwon.

“Before humanity, as Heaven on Earth and the Garden of Eden envisioned by God, where individuals, united in heart and without shadows, offer their joy and praise to Heaven daily, we are compelled to strive tirelessly towards realizing the dream of the Heavenly Parent, living each day with profound gratitude.” (July 1, 2017)

In 2023, True Mother advanced the HJ Cheonwon providence, a beacon for a peaceful world and the capital of Cheon Il Guk, by transforming it into ‘HJ Cheonwon Flower Park.’ The Hanju Group was established to steer the development and operational strategy of this new park. HJ Cheonwon Flower Park is offering a myriad of facilities related to environment, economy, recreation, and education. It is developed as the restored Garden of Eden and an ideal base for the completion of the three great blessings, where blessed families and humanity can receive education, live, and advance towards ultimate fulfillment.

“My sole wish is to see all my goals achieved within my lifetime. I want to show what a world centered on Heavenly Parents and True Parents would look like.” (May 6, 2016)

Managed by the Hanju Group, current facilities include the Magnolia Restaurant, Gapyeong Begonia New Garden, Gapyeong Cruise, and HJ Azalea Villa.



First Floor: SeenB Petting Zoo



delve into the beauty of animal ecology and the wonders of the natural world.

The “SeenB” Petting Zoo introduces a mini-animal interactive facility that appeals to visitors of all ages, fostering a closer connection with animals. This newly established space is designed to align with the current trend of deepening engagement with animals. It provides visitors with hands-on experiences, special events, and ecological education sessions, enabling them to

First Floor: Buheung Furniture

Buheung Furniture combines solid wood furniture and interior accessories, infusing daily life with luxury through eco-friendly solid wood. It caters to diverse consumer needs with products that leverage the natural properties of wood to emit oxygen and absorb carbon dioxide, ensuring a fresh indoor environment.



Second Floor: Aqua Garden Cafe & Restaurant



this aquatic oasis, visitors can find solace while surrounded by a variety of mesmerizing fish and aquatic plants.

The second floor of the Magnolia Mall houses Korea’s largest aqua Café. This unique concept features a massive aquarium with rare fish from various regions, allowing visitors to observe a diverse array of natural creatures in one place. With expert knowledge and cutting-edge technology, the aqua Café is pioneering a new paradigm for bakery cafés. Within

Third Floor: Chinese restaurant Chunsang

The Chinese restaurant Chunsang, is a premier Chinese restaurant led by a chef who served five South Korean Presidents, Korea at the Blue House for over 20 years, offers an exquisite culinary journey. It offers the essence of Chinese cuisine with its refined service and authentic flavors, it’s a place for cherished moments with loved ones.



Third Floor: Kristina Han

On the third floor, Kristina Han showcases a high-end collection of over 100 items, including jewelry, accessories, and bridal wear for wedding ceremonies. The simple yet intricately detailed dresses are designed to make the wearer look adorable and stand out, while the sleek black tuxedos and bow ties exude timeless sophistication.

The HJ Magnolia Mall, situated at the entrance of the HJ Cheonwon Flower Park in the capital of Cheon Il Guk, is a cultural space spanning a total area of approximately 1,390 square meters. Built across four floors, from the first basement level to the third floor above ground, this sanctuary harmoniously blends taste and style, providing a haven for both body and mind. Conceived with the vision of being the space where the dream of the HJ Cheonwon Flower Park begins.

On September 6, 2017, True Mother blessed the place, saying: "I pray that Magnolia Plaza, located at the entrance to the HJ Cheonwon complex, will attract people who think not only of

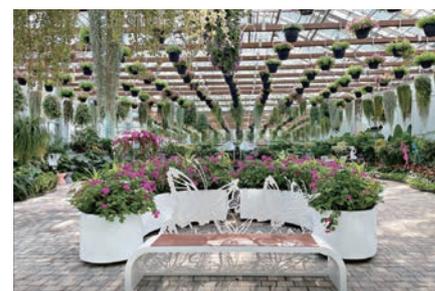


themselves but also know how to be considerate of others. It will serve as a guest room where people can learn and study True Parents' true love and seek hope for the future." She added, "I pray

that the steps of all those who yearn for this place and visit it will be directed to find the original heart towards Heavenly Parent."

The Gapyeong Begonia Bird Park

The Gapyeong Begonia Bird Garden, designed to resemble an outstretched crane, covers a 10-hectare area. This unique garden offers a healing retreat with its vibrant array of birds and blossoming flowers, featuring Korea's only Rufous Hornbill, over 170 bird species, and a vibrant collection of Begonia flowers. Beyond its role in conservation and the promotion of endangered species preservation, the garden features a designated photo area for capturing lasting memories. The garden also boasts five themed outdoor gardens for visitors to explore.



HJ Cruise

The renamed Gapyeong Cruise, is Korea's first 440-ton eco-friendly electric vessel. Glide along the Bukhan River's inaugural route, seamlessly connecting the HJ Cheonwon Flower Park, Nami Island, and Jara Island. Experience serene leisure in Gapyeong's pristine beauty, enhanced by the soothing symphony of nature and captivating music performances. At the Marina Café and Hyojeong Café operated by Gapyeong Cruise, Cheonpyeong Lake over aromatic tea and desserts. Developed in response to global environmental concerns, the eco-friendly cruise is designed to rejuvenate water tourism in the Gyeonggi-Gangwon area, providing a green solution to the pressing environmental issues of our time.



HJ Azalea Villa

Nestled in a quiet forest, away from the city's chaos, HJ Azalea Villa offers a peaceful sanctuary. This 40-pyeong haven of European elegance, once reserved for global leaders and VIPs, now opens its doors to all visitors, including families, providing a perfect retreat for relaxation and tranquility.



HJ Cheonwon Flower Park serves as a gateway to a realm of serene and enriching experiences. From the spiritual HJ Heaven and Earth Cheonbo Training Center to the Cheongshim Peace World Center, Korea's premier performance venue, the area is teeming with cultural and recreational opportunities. Engage with the arts at the Hyojeong International Cultural Foundation. Explore HJ Soon-Suwon, a cutting-edge research facility that remodelled a water purification plant. Indulge in culinary delights at eateries like Heaven G Burger, Hyojeong Cafe, Hanwon House, and Hyojung Yeon.

The community is further bolstered by the advanced HJ Magnolia International Hospital and renowned educational institutions, including Cheongshim Kindergarten, Cheongshim International Middle and High School, and Sunhak UP Graduate University. Offering an enriching experience for the mind, body, and soul, allowing the HJ Cheonwon Flower Park to emerge as a hub of leisure, learning, and wellness. 

International Headquarters, iPeaceTV: Training for Video Production Managers in Continental Regions

PeaceTV initiated an 8-week training course for video production managers across continental regions starting March 1st.

In today's era of instant communication, True Mother aims to disseminate the news of Cheon Il Guk globally in every language. Consequently, she has provided filming equipment and authorized iPeaceTV to offer this video production training. This enables participants to aid in the development of providence by creating and preserving videos about activities in each region, thereby sharing the words and teachings of the True Parents with people worldwide.

The international headquarters selected motivated individuals under 30 years old, engaged in public mission work on each continent and possessing basic skills in camera operation and video editing. The headquarters helps to accommodate this two-month training, designed to cultivate young talents who will lead video production efforts in their respective continental regions.

This comprehensive training merges theory and practical skills, including scriptwriting, planning, filming, video editing, and distribution. iPeaceTV's goal is to equip young individuals with the ability to produce premium content, significantly advancing the providence of True Mother, the Only Begotten Daughter within the public mission framework.

Looking ahead, these video production managers will maintain regular communication with iPeaceTV to conduct interviews with Cheon Il Guk's key figures in their regions. These interviews will be highlighted in the Hanju Hyodowon Memorial Hall, as per True Mother's declaration. iPeaceTV aspires to evolve into a global media platform that consistently broadcasts a wide array of activities taking place in different continental regions. Further information will soon be made available to iPeaceTV and the respective video production managers in each continental region. [P](#)





Letter to True Mother



Lee Eun-sun, Participant in iPeaceTV's Video Production Training (South America)

Dear True Mother, whom I dearly love and miss,

I am Lee Eun-sun, brought up within a blessed family from the Korea-Japan group of 360,000 couples. Inspired by your guidance that every moment should be used to advance Heaven's providence, I've come to understand that media is the most powerful means to swiftly share Heaven's providence with the world. I'm deeply grateful to have the privilege of being among the first on our continent to undergo this specialized training by iPeaceTV, the national broadcaster of Cheon Il Guk. Moreover, I appreciate the grace that enables us to use the camera and video editing equipment provided during this training for future projects on our continent.

Throughout this training, I've been profoundly moved by how much you value media and the effort you dedicate to developing future leaders in this arena. Following these 8 weeks, our goal is to quickly spread your message of compassion and providence throughout our continent, aiming to transform it into a 'Heavenly South America' aligned with Heaven's will. We strive to be the future generation of filial sons and daughters in South America, delivering reports of hope and victory, and sparking the revival Heaven eagerly awaits. I fervently pray for your continued health and longevity, so we may bring you joy and success reports throughout your lifetime.

Zancan Chung-nam, Participant in iPeaceTV's Video Production Training (South America)

Dear True Mother, my name is Zancan Chung-nam, a second-generation member of a Brazil-Chile family.

In our modern society, where the consumption of online media is becoming increasingly popular, I've come to understand the importance of ensuring that Heavenly Parent's Holy Community is likewise actively engaged. This involves delivering the messages, direction of providence from the True Parents, and sharing various activities with all global members in real time. Such engagement is essential for participating in the providence of the Heavenly Parent and True Parents.

For this reason, I'm deeply grateful for the iPeaceTV training course you've initiated. This training gives me confidence that we can enhance the bond between Heavenly Korea and Heavenly South America, which are pivotal areas of providence

Under the guidance of Continental Director Kim Dong-woo, Heavenly South America has built a studio within the Continental Headquarters and is now nearing completion of acquiring the necessary equipment for content creation. I am confident that with the required equipment and skilled team, Heavenly South America will greatly advance our mission to widely share and testify about the Heavenly Parent.

I commit to thoroughly learning and utilizing the filming equipment you have generously provided during this training. I intend to use this knowledge to create high-quality content once I return to the South American continent. I am truly grateful to you, True Mother.



Southeast Pastors and Next Gen Leadership Retreat

The Southeast Pastors and Next Gens Leadership retreat was held from March 1-2 at the Fajardo Inn in Puerto Rico and was attended by 38 pastors, 2nd-and 3rd-generation youth leaders. The primary objective of the retreat was to strengthen the bond among the Southeast leadership team and initiate the kickoff for the Southeast Vision 2024, centered on True Mother. Dr. Achille Acolatse, Director of the Southeast region, welcomed all participants and urged us to unite with True Mother's heart and sense of urgency for Church Growth. Goals were set and strategies for church growth were made with each pastor and youth leader reflecting on past activities using the SWOT analysis method and engaging in a session on SMART Goal Setting.

Leaders visited a nearby beach and enjoyed the beautiful ocean, even having the opportunity to pick coconuts from palm trees and receive God's love and healing through nature in Puerto Rico. The Blessing and Family Ministry held a one hour session the following day explaining the Matching process and shared resources empowering pastors to support candidates and parents. The retreat was concluded with a firm determination to fulfill 2024 goals for Heavenly Parent and in unity with True Mother. 





Blue Dragon Midwest Pastors Retreat

From March 1-3, 2024, midwest pastors and their spouses gathered at the Chicago Family Church to connect to Heavenly Parent and True Parents' dream centered on the Cheon Shim Won and unite with the national direction.

Led by Rev. Kazuo Takami, Senior Pastor, participants gained a clear understanding about the direction and strategy and gained unity with True Mother's heart and gained support from each other. 16 people attended.

On the third day, participants learned about the significance of the Cheon Shim Won and prayed there a lot. They offered sincere and desperate prayers for success in the year of the Blue Dragon. 



Celebrating International Women's Day

Belgium

Many events were held to mark the International Women's Day. Members in Belgium could attend the presentation given by Caroline Handschin held at the European Parliament in Brussels. The conference on the topic of empowering women's freedom of Religion or Belief brought together distinguished representatives from various faith and faith-inspired organisations.

Vice President Handschin spoke of her personal journey of overcoming hurdles in becoming President of the NGO Committee on the Status of Women at the United Nations in Geneva. She concluded by saying that with religious-minded women, working together to solve problems is a powerful tool.

The Belgian Chapter of the organised a conference, Being a Woman in Nepal, and consisted of a presentation on the recent trip to Nepal by Mrs. Suzuki and Mrs. Polin. In the presence of a representative of the Nepal's Embassy in Brussels, they illustrated the difficulties women face in Nepal as regards accessing education, health care, and overcoming economic struggles and insecurity.





They presented the most recent projects and the solutions they have brought forward, in particular, a pupil sponsorship programme, building greenhouses, and a dormitory for girls living in rural areas too far away from their school. Participants also generously contributed in a fundraising effort for ongoing projects.

France

To mark the International Women's Day, the meeting of Dialogue and Alliance shows the theme, the contribution of women to Interfaith Dialogue.

Ms. Marie Duran de Vaucresson, who served in a Vatican Reflection Group, asserts that women must have greater access to positions of responsibility.

Then representing Islam, Ms. Fuzia Oucazi read and commented on four short surras from the Quran. The third reading provided a unificationist perspective.

People from nearly 20 countries, followed by video conference. In the International Day of Women, Brigitte Wada from France, was invited to speak in an all-day event initiated by the International Association for Economic and Social Development, Africa, France, with the slogan Be Strong and Be Proud.

Fifteen new influential women give a very profound and authentic account of their professional journey. Brigitte Wada spoke about the three main global themes for this year, and she concluded on the importance of working together to realise peace.

2024 Fishing World Cup New Zealand

New Zealand hosted the “2024 World Sport Fishing Cup,” organized by the World Sport Fishing Federation (WSFF) in collaboration with UPF- New Zealand. The event focused on sustainable fisheries management, protection of fishing waters, promoting sport fishing, fostering mutual understanding and friendship through international exchange, and recognizing anglers as contributors to world peace. This tournament, part of the True Parents’ maritime providence to unite the world around the ocean, brought together 71 fishermen from 15 countries.

Since its inception in 2002, the WSFF has held six international tournaments in Japan, Korea, Taiwan, Australia, and Spain, with the support of local and central governments. The WSFF is dedicated to promoting fishing as a legitimate sport, uniting nations through the shared passion for angling, and engaging in dialogue efforts, including organizing symposiums to address local and international environmental issues.

Over 200 people gathered for the opening ceremony, which began with a welcome speech by New Zealand’s Minister of Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, Mr. Shane Jones. Outgoing WSFF President Mr. Yun Tae-geun and WSFF New Zealand President Mr. Leon Pogoni also delivered speeches.

The following day, participants headed to the dock and boarded boats for acclimatization exercises and a qualifying match for the fishing competition.

Meanwhile, about thirty individuals attended a marine resources symposium featuring speakers such as Mr. Keutekarakia Keu Mataroa, the Cook Islands’ Consul General in New Zealand, Mr. Choi Jin-ho, the new WSFF president, and Mr. Hori Masaichi, president of the FPPMU Asia-Pacific. Participants also signed the “Auckland Blue Pacific 2024” Resolution for world peace and commitment to preserving and developing marine resources.





Additionally, Mr. Yutaka Yamada, president of UPF-Oceania, gave a special lecture on the True Parents' vision and the ocean's providence. Environmental experts and activists also lectured on the management and preservation of fishery resources.

On the third day (March 10), over 140 people attended the semi-finals, the repechage match, the final, and the award ceremony. In the individual category, the first prize went to Richard Mold from New Zealand, the second to Chris Bruce from Australia, and the third to Kamlesh Narayan from Fiji. In the team category, first place went to Uruguay, second to Japan, and third to Malaysia.

After two days of boat fishing, over 700 fish weighing about a ton were caught. 90% of the fish was donated to NGOs, "Kai Ika" and "Papatuanuku Marae," which then distributed them to various communities in need.

Throughout the competition, members of the Family Federation of New Zealand were fully dedicated to introducing participants from diverse cultures to the providence of Heavenly Parent and the True Parents. The participants also showed a lot of energy and passion, greatly contributing to the success of the competition.

On March 12, the last day of the event, UPF New Zealand held an important meeting on the True Parents' maritime providence, during which it shared its roadmap for 2024. 



Hyojeong Academy Inauguration Ceremony, 14th Hyojeong Class Entrance Ceremony, and 12th Hyojeong Class Graduation Ceremony

On March 3rd, the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification, along with the South American Youth and Student Association, held three significant events at the South America Headquarters Church in Brazil. These events were the Hyojeong Academy Inauguration Ceremony, the 14th Hyojeong Class Entrance Ceremony, and the 12th Hyojeong Class Graduation Ceremony. Approximately 3,000 individuals, including Kim Dong-woo, the Continental Director of South America, national leaders, pastors, heads of providential organizations, and members participated both in person and virtually.

First and second-generation youths committed to Heaven's mission, including 6 graduates from the 12th class, 6 from the 13th class engaged in activities at Sun Moon UPA, and 42 members from the 13th and 14th classes that joined the continental activities, pledged to dedicate themselves to their faith and mission activities. Their goal is to realize their destiny as pivotal figures in the providence, uniting with True Mother, the Only

Begotten Daughter, in alignment with the will of the Heavenly Parent and True Parents.

Kim Dong-woo, the Continental Director, reflected on the previous 21 days of training in his keynote address, emphasizing, "True Mother, the Only Begotten Daughter, referred to the second-generation youths as 'Pure Water,' so that they can purify the fallen world and also blessed them to become true children. These words should deeply resonate within you as a guiding principle for life, encouraging you to progress in unity with True Mother, the Only Begotten Daughter, who stands at the center of providence."

For this special occasion, video messages of congratulations were received from several dignitaries, including Kim Sung-nam, the Cheongpyeong Itinerant, Sasaki Koichi, the FFWPU President Brazil, Samuel Ota Linhares, the IAYSP President of the South America, Seo Seong-jong, the sub-region 2 Leader, Simon Ferabolli, the Chairman of UPF for South America, Enrique Sotres, the Governor, Lee Yong-chan, Pastor, and Ilde Caceres, the President of the Bolivia FFWPU among others. 



Hyo Jeong Rang 2nd Generation 21-Day Workshop Opening Ceremony in Zambia

On March 6, 2024, Zambia's Twikatane HJ Heaven and Earth Training Center in Lusaka, Zambia was abuzz with the spirit of leadership and unity as it hosted the 2nd generation Hyojeong CheonBo 21-day workshop in Heavenly Africa. Aimed at fostering a 2nd generation of leaders, this event brought together 30 young participants from Hyo Jeong Rang Africa 2nd Class and Heavenly Top Gun.

Distinguished guests, including Cheon Eui Won Chair Rev. Bakary Camara and Heavenly Africa Regional President Jean-Pierre Kadima among others, graced the ceremony, highlighting the event's significance across the African continent. There were words of encouragement by various leaders on the regional, sub-regional, and national levels as well as pioneer missionaries of the African providence. Their encouragement resonated deeply with participants, reinforcing the importance of carrying forward the legacy and mission of True Parents.

The ceremony was marked by performances that beautifully reflected the participants' commitment to giving love and joy, to Heavenly Parent and True Parents and spreading peace throughout the world.

"We cannot afford to miss our moment. The second and third generations of blessed families must not let down the Heavenly Parent. Aim to demonstrate even greater filial piety to Heaven than your parents, and pursue your studies with this in mind. This is why I specifically intend to oversee and educate you." (May 19, 2019)

"You are the Hyojeongrangs, chosen by the True Parents after 6,000 years to be at the forefront of the safe settlement of Cheon Il Guk. You must thrive in this role." Do you understand? "In this pivotal moment, unique to both the past and future, I am committed to nurturing you into the leaders needed for the future." (July 21, 2019) ㄸ



A Life of Hyojeong

David Eaton

Chairman of the Cheon Il Guk Holy Song Compilation Committee,
Director of the Hyo Jeong Youth Orchestra

1. Journey of Faith: What sparked your decision to join the church?

I grew up in a large Catholic family. I'm the oldest of 12 children and we attended Catholic elementary school. But by the time I was in high school, religion wasn't so important to me. Music became my religion in a sense. I started music lessons when I was ten years old, and in high school I played in the school orchestra and band. I went to college, but I started working professionally in music during that time. In 1972 I got a phone call from a friend of mine. She had been studying Bible classes and she called me and said, "David, David, I have to tell you something. In our Bible class, we learned that the Second Coming will be coming in just a few years. You have to get ready." I replied, "Oh, that's interesting." I hadn't thought too much about religion through my high school years and into college, but all of a sudden this idea that if the Second Coming is happening, what does that mean for me? What does that mean for my family? What does that mean for music or for my career? So this thought remained in my mind rather consistently for several years.

Then in 1974, I was in Columbus, Ohio at the time, getting ready to start classes at Ohio State University, and I was approached by a German sister who was part of Reverend Sudo's IOWC team. She just walked up to me and said, "Do you believe in God?" I said, "Well, yeah." Then she invited me to a dinner and a lecture, which I went to and the first part of the introductory lecture was the Three Blessings and the Four Position Foundation --- in a sense, God's blueprint for how to build an ideal world. Then the next part of the lecture was the parallels of history; the last 4000 years from the time of Abraham to Jesus and then Jesus to 1920. And when they got to the 1920 part, I reflected on



what my friend said about the Second Coming being upon us, or in a few years. I thought, "Oh, is it 1920 and is the Messiah already here?" That was a shock for me at the time, but I felt, at the time, if this is true—and it was hard to deny the 4,000-year history parallels of history, it seemed so factual—that I thought I had to find out

more. So this began my journey to discover more about the Divine Principle. I was majoring in music at the time. I just wanted to finish college, but I felt spiritually there were certain things that happened that were not coincidental, and this made me think that maybe God is trying to tell me something, namely, to explore more about just who Sun Myung Moon was. Who is this person? And True Parents? Who are they? I was quite shocked and moved to hear about all these things that had led to Reverend Moon and his mission. I felt that God was answering my prayers. God was guiding me in some way to find the truth, to see the truth, and to understand who the True Parents were. This was a significant part of my evolution into becoming a believer.

2. Can you recount the momentous occasion when you first met the True Parents?

The first time I saw True Father speak was during the eight-city tour in Chicago at the Arie Crown Theater. This was, as I recall, November 12, 1974. Of course, Father was speaking in Korean and I remember Bo Hi Pak was translating, but I felt something like Father is speaking directly to me. Again, it seemed that my prayers were being answered through what I was hearing, which was reinforcing my belief. I then went to the seven-day workshop, 21-day workshop, 40-day workshop, and 120-day workshop at Barrytown in the summer of 1975. The first time I had a

real face-to-face with True Father and True Mother was after the Washington Monument campaign. I didn't know much, but I was learning, and I thought all of this was confirming a certain truth. All of this began to help me realize God is real. God is answering my prayers. I felt that God was guiding me in various ways to find the truth, to see the truth, and to understand who the True Parents were.

3. How did you become conductor of NY Symphony Orchestra?

When I was in high school I really became enthralled with classical music. In 1965 my high school band and orchestra came to New York City. This was a field trip in which we visited museums and went to a Broadway show and a ballet performance. At that time I had a dream that I would go to New York and become a symphony orchestra conductor. That was my dream in high school. However, when I joined the church I gave that all up for about two years. There was no real opportunity for me to do music at the time, although there were performing arts groups — the New Hope Singers and Sunburst, the Sunburst rock band and the Korean Folk Ballet. So there were some performing arts groups, but nothing that I could really participate in. In 1975 Father sent many of us from the 120-day workshop to prepare to be pioneer missionaries around the country. Just prior to the Yankee Stadium rally, the Go World Brass Band was formed. I joined the Go World Brass Band for the Yankee Stadium campaign and then the Washington Monument campaign. After the Washington Monument campaign, I was asked, along with several other musicians from the Go World Brass Band to audition for True Parents to join the New York City Symphony. Father, a year earlier, had acquired the corporation New York City Symphony, and he was developing it. True Parents became the patrons of this orchestra at that time. This orchestra was founded in 1926, but in 1974, through various circumstances, True Parents became the primary patrons of the orchestra.

Bo Hi Pak became the chairman of the board of the orchestra with the idea of fashioning a first-class orchestra in New York that could perform in the major concert hall. I auditioned to play in the orchestra, and that was my first real encounter directly with True Parents. True Father chose me and four others to join the orchestra at that time.

I was in the symphony team for two years, but then we received a call that True Father had sent half of the Go World Brass Band to England and they started the Go World Brass Band providence in Europe. The other half of

the band stayed in America and in 1978 I was sent to work with the Go World Brass Band in Boston. A year later Father asked me to join CARP to take the brass band from America, to join with Reverend Chung Goo "Tiger" Park. I spent three years under Reverend Park, and then in 1981 I came back to New York, continue to work back in the performing arts in New York. But then in 1985 I got a call from my central figure and he said: "David, Father has decided you should become the music director of the New York City Symphony". It's the story of Abraham and Isaac, right? Abraham was asked to offer the thing he loved the most, his son, and he was willing to do it. He had the knife, but the angel came and said, you have proved your faith. We need Isaac, for without Isaac, there'd be no Jacob, Esau, no lineage for Jesus to come in this sense. All of a sudden my high school dream had come true. I'm a conductor in New York City. So my dream came true, but in the most circuitous of way.

4. Could you describe the activities and initiatives you pursued in the U.S. under the True Parents' direction?

One objective that True Parents had for the New York City Symphony was to gain professional credibility in New York. When I started working with the orchestra True Parents provided a budget which allowed us to hire the best musicians in New York — some of the top-level freelance artists. We could play concerts at Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center, the United Nations. We were doing major concerts and after two or three years, we started getting very good reviews from the New York music press. Soon, other producers and artists started calling us, asking, "Can we work with you? Yes, we heard your orchestra. We love the orchestra and we'll help pay to work with your ensemble." As a result, I did many concerts in New York that were collaborative efforts between other producers and production companies, in which they were paying between \$10,000 and \$30,000 to have us appear as part of their productions.





5. True Parents Culture, vision for the Arts, and Culture

I think it's interesting that the two Korean leaders who were very much involved in New York and with the performing arts were Bo Hi Park and Joong-hyun Park, and they both had a deep appreciation for Western culture. Bo Hi Park's daughter, Hoon Sook Nim was a great ballerina.

And so they were very supportive of the idea of developing the classical arts as a way to witness and to testify to the vision of a culture that represented some kind of providential and heavenly initiative. They were very supportive of what we were doing. During that time, I would always mention in our program booklets for our concerts that True Parents were the patrons of the orchestra. This was an endeavour to shed a positive light on True Parents. Both Bo Hi Park and Joong-hyun Park were very supportive of this.

In 1988, the New York City Symphony came to Korea. We performed at the Seoul Olympic Arts Festival and we also did a tour in Japan at that time. We did four concerts in Japan and this was an attempt to use art and culture to highlight the importance of music and culture in the efforts to witness, but also to bring the truth to humankind through beauty.

6. Musical Bonds: Any cherished memories of collaborating with Hyo Jin Nim in music or other projects?



A few years prior to 1991, Hyo Jin Nim became hugely involved in the development of Manhattan Center and built three beautiful recording studios and a television studio. I was asked, along with Kevin Pickard, to join Hyo Jin Nim's team to work at the Manhattan Center. One of the first things Hyo Jin-nim emphasized was that we needed to learn the new computer technology that was emerging at the time. For those of us who were classical musicians we were asking, "What? Computer technology in music?"

But quickly we realized, "Oh, this is a great tool." Hyo Jin Nim really pushed us to learn the technology, and to this day, I use computer technology in all of my work. When I create score I input the notes into the software, and the software prints out the music. We now have virtual orchestra software that replicates sounds like a real orchestra (but it's just your orchestra and your computer.) Hyo Jin Nim really pushed us to do that. In her memoirs, True Mother states that it's not politics, but rather it's art and culture that change the world, because through beauty people's hearts are opened, and they can receive new things, new ideas. And then she says, even political regimes can change as a result. That's something I believed in before I met our church.

7. What led to your relocation to Korea and involvement with significant projects like the Holy Song Compilation Committee and the Hyojeong Cultural Center?

In December of 2015, I got an email from Reverend Ki Hoon Kim. In the email he said True Mother wrote a short poem that she would like to see if I could set this to music because the birthday celebrations are coming up in 2016 and she would like some kind of Hymn based on this poem. I said, okay. I got the poem and it was in Korean. I had a friend of mine do the phonetic (the Anglicized phonetics) of the poem. The words are: "찬미하세 찬양하세 참부모님 성탄 할렐루야 할렐루야 참부모님 성탄" Right there, I noticed a rhythmic pattern "Da

Da Da Da, so the words had a built-in rhythmic factor and it took me just 5 minutes to work out a melody to accompany the words. I fleshed out the basic arrangement in just 15 minutes and then I made a demo recording that I sent it to a friend to record a vocal track, I gave the recording to Bishop Ki Hoon Kim. The next day I received a call from Bishop Kim and he said, "Oh, oh ... True Mother really loves this. And it's almost exactly like what she was imagining it should sound like. You should come to Korea. We will have a big choir and we'll do it all, you know, we'll perform this piece." So just like that! I travelled to Korea in 2016 for the birthday celebration and I conducted that piece with a big choir — I think maybe a thousand singers. Now we use this music often at the birthday celebrations. It's become like the Hallelujah chorus. But now we should attempt to fashion our own music in the same spirit — King of Kings, Lord of Lords and honor True Mother. I felt that this composition represented that spirit.



all the time. I said to my wife that if I claim to be a filial son, and if True Mother asked to come, I can't say no. Right? You have to say yes. Otherwise, you can't claim to be filial. I think somehow that True Mother was touched by that. Maybe that time, and only that time, that was the one time in my life where I attained a certain sense of direct dominion then.

For now, I'm going back. Yet already True Mother mentioned to me that in 2025, for the opening of Cheon Won Gung, she would like new music composed specifically for that event, and she would like me to compose something. Interestingly, there is some opportunity for me to work on a project that the Japanese performing arts team have been developing for some time, and they need some musical assistance. I have a certain skill set that can help them now. So, they've reached out to me to see if I could help on a freelance basis and I will work with them.

8. As you prepare to return to the U.S., how do you feel about wrapping up your work in Korea?

There's a saying we have in English when you're going to become a parent: expect two things: long days and short years. Because when you're a parent, you have some long days with your kids. But I can't believe my two daughters are already 28 and 32 years old. I remember them as young children. Where did the time go?

That's how I feel about my time in Korea. It went by so quickly.

Two weeks ago, our cello students in the Hyo Jeong Youth Orchestra prepared a piece of music for me,

and they played it for me. It was very touching. I made a video and I showed it to my family. They were moved by how we've developed the youth orchestra here. They said they understood the value of what I was doing in Korea. Of course, they're happy I'm coming home.

But in reflecting on it now, the fact that when I was asked to come by Mother eight years ago, I came without hesitation, I think somehow that may have really touched True Mother's heart. I remember at the time I was talking to my wife about this. My family has been completely supportive of this direction. We talk

9. When you reflect now being about everything, what is your testimony to your life? What do you what comes to mind? What do you want us to remember?

True Mother always says three important things in our life of faith: Number one, Be grateful. Number two, Be grateful. Number three, Be grateful. Therefore, gratitude is important. Learning to be grateful even for the difficulties we have, helps us on our path. One reason the world has so many problems is that people aren't grateful. They become resentful. We might agree that there are many things to be resentful about. But if you allow resentment to dominate your heart, resentment becomes poison. When we study Divine Principle and the course of motivation of the fall, we understand how resentment can be our downfall. But gratitude is like the medicine, in a sense, or the remedy to help us overcome things that might make us resentful and negative. We need to try to always have the heart of gratitude. 

