

Commemorative Week of the Third Universal Seonghwa Memorial of Sun Myung Moon, the True Parent of Heaven, Earth and Humankind Begins

Theme: Let us Connect the World to Peace – Shedding Light on True Parents’ Peace Ideology and Life Achievement

The commemorative week of the Third Universal Seonghwa Memorial of Sun Myung Moon, the True Parent of Heaven, Earth and Humankind has begun. On 7.17 in 2012 by the heavenly calendar (Sept 3) at 1.54 a.m., True Parent of Heaven, Earth and Humankind Sun Myung Moon, the Savior of Humanity, the Returning Lord, the True Parent, and the King of Kings ascended to Heaven after perfecting, concluding and completing his mission on earth.

True Father’s Victorious Life and Universal Seonghwa, the Beginning of a New History

After True Father announced the heavenly calendar in 2010, he overstrained his sacred body to such intensity as though in preparation for his ascension. He went on worldwide speaking tours for about ten times and taught members about the urgently moving providence through daily hoondokhae.

In True Father’s last prayer before his ascension, he proclaimed that he completely finished his mission for the providence of restoration, revealing that he had successfully perfected, concluded and completed Heaven’s great work. After his passing, memorial altars were set up in Korea and in nations across the world, and for thirteen days, numerous visitors came to pay their respects; heads of state from different nations sent condolence flowers to True Father.

The Universal Seonghwa Ceremony of Sun Myung Moon, the True Parent of Heaven, Earth and Humankind was held in Cheongshim Peace World Center and the entire Cheongpyeong Holy Ground area on 7.29 2012 by the heavenly calendar (Sept 15) at 10 a.m. Around 35,000 members and 300 current and former heads of state, prominent guests from home and abroad, and Unification Church officials participated in the ceremony.

Prominent guests from home and abroad expressed their respect and gratitude to True Father saying, “Rev. Moon left a legacy on earth that humanity must uphold and develop. Rev. Moon is a winner of the inter-religious movement and taught us to live in accordance to God’s Will. His noble achievements will be remembered for eternity.”

The universal seonghwa ceremony was time for a new beginning in which participants looked back on True Father’s teachings, love and work, and made the resolution to establish CheonIlGuk in accordance to his life and teachings. Members across the world made tearful resolutions—“We love you. We will attend you for eternity,” “Father! We will realize God’s Will at all cost.”

On 8.2 by the heavenly calendar (Sep 17), the third-day memorial service was held through the event: the Unification Church World Leaders Special Assembly for the Victory of Foundation Day. True Mother called all members to advance without stop and proposed future directions the Unification Church is to take: the passing down of True Parents’ tradition, the realization of the ideal of a blessed family, the completion of our mission and responsibility as tribal messiahs, the establishment of a community based on the culture of heart, and others.



Meanwhile, through the proclamation of Foundation Day, the beginning of a new era and history, True Mother set off on the great path toward the completion of the substantial CheonIlGuk, enacted and promulgated the Cheon Il Guk Constitution, and compiled the three great scripture volumes –CheonSeongGyeong, PyeongHwaGyeong and Cham PumoGyeong.

In order for True Mother to conduct the global providence, she structured the external organization of CheonIlGuk. Centered on the CheonIlGuk Supreme

Council, she opened five organs – the Cheon Il Guk Government, the Cheon Il Guk National Assembly, the Cheon Il Guk Court, the Cheon Il Guk Foundation and the Cheon Il Guk Media Committee. She then moved the FFWPU International Headquarters to CheonJeongGung, subdivided existing regions based on language and cultural spheres and dispatched special emissaries to each region. In addition, she focused the capacity of the Unification Church for the substantiation of CheonIlGuk by designating providential and strategic nations.

Present Schedule of the Commemorative Events for the Third Anniversary of the Universal Seonghwa of Sun Myung Moon, the True Parent of Heaven, Earth and Humankind

	6.17-7.13 (Aug 1-26)	7.14 (Aug 27)	7.15 (Aug 28)	7.16 (Aug 29)	7.17 (Aug 30)	7.18 (Aug 31)
Aug	2015 National Seonghwa Camp Aug 7-9 World Jamboree Center Korean Headquarters 10th Anniversary of the Dream and Seed Concert Aug 19 19:30 KT Chamber Hall Aewon Volunteer Organization Religious Leaders Friendship Soccer Tournament Aug 22 09:00 Hanam Stadium The Korea Religions Association International Symposium Aug 24, 10:00 Sun Moon University Sun Myung Moon Research Center of Sun Moon University Unification Thoughts Research Center, PWPA Martial Arts Festival Aug 25 10:00 CheongShim International Youth Center Martial Arts Federation for World Peace	2015 World Climate and Environment Forum Aug 27 15:00 Korea Press Center Segye Times	The First Sunhak Peace Prize Award Ceremony Aug 28 10 :00 Seoul Intercontinental Hotel Sunhak Peace Prize Committee	Closing ceremony of the Youths and Students World Assembly	Pledge Service on the Third Anniversary of True Father's Universal Seonghwa Aug 30 07:00 Cheon Jeong Gung	Victory Celebration Aug 31 09:30 Cheon Jeong Gung
		PEACE ROAD 2015 Completion ceremony of the Peace Road journey in 120 nation Aug 27 11:00 Gwanghwamun Central Plaza Peace Road Organizing Committee	World Summit 2015 Lecture by the Sunhak Peace Prize Winners Aug 28 17:00 Seoul Intercontinental Hotel	The Third Anniversary of the Universal Seonghwa of Sun Myung Moon, the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind Aug 30 09:00 Cheongshim Peace World Center Cultural Performance on the Third Anniversary of True Father's Universal Seonghwa Aug 30 10:30 Cheongshim Peace World Center World Summit 2015 Banquet in Commemoration of the Third Anniversary of True Father's Universal Seonghwa Aug 30 12:30 Cheon Jeong Gung		
		PEACE ROAD 2015 Symposium for the Unification of the Korean Peninsula and for World Peace Aug 27 14:00 National Assembly Members' Office Building, Grand Conference Room Peace Road Organizing Committee				
		World Summit 2015 Aug 27 - 31 Seoul Intercontinental Hotel UPF International (Aug 27 Welcoming Banquet - 18:00, Seoul Intercontinental Hotel)				
		Youths and Students World Assembly Aug 28-30 Cheongpyeong Training Center World CARP, FFWPU Int. HQs				
		Exhibition on the Life Work of the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind Aug 27-30 Cheongshim Peace World Center, Cheon Jeong Gung FFWPU-Japan HQs, Cheon Jeong Gung Museum				
PEACE ROAD Journey across the World May 29 - Aug 30 Across the world UPF-Korea, Citizens' Federation for the Unification of Korea						
Sep	Cham Bumo Gyeong Publication Ceremony Sep. 1 10:00, Cheongpyeong Heaven and Earth Training Center History Compilation Committee	Special Assembly of Cheon Il Guk Leaders Sep 2-4 Cheongpyeong Heaven and Earth Training Center FFWPU Int. HQs.	Closing Ceremony of the Special Assembly for Cheon Il Guk Leaders	Holy Ground Pilgrimage by representative families from around the world Sep 4 -6 Main holy grounds, FFWPU-Korea Conference on Church Growth Sep 4-6 Chinhwa Education B Bd, FFWPU-Korea Welcoming Festival for New Members Sep 19-20 To be held in each region of Korea FFWPU-Korea	Cheon Il Guk Supreme Council Meeting Sep 7-8 Cheon Jeong Gung Cheon Il Guk Supreme Council	
	Family Education Lecturers Training Program Aug - Sep 1 19:00 Cheongpyeong Heaven and Earth Training Center Int. HQs, Korean HQs, Japanese HQs	Forum to Promote Sympathy toward Unification Jul 3 - 30 To be held in each region of Korea WFWP	First Peace Road Symposium Aug 5 10:00 National Assembly Tunnel Foundation for World Peace	PEACE ROAD Travels May 27-Jun 3 Las Vegas, U.S.A. Tunnel Foundation for World Peace	PEACE ROAD Forum Jun17 07:00 63 Convention Center Tunnel Foundation for World Peace	Love and Sharing Worship Service Sep ~ Nov FFWPU-Korea
Others						

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The Third Universal Seonghwa Memorial of Sun Myung Moon, the True Parent of Heaven, Earth and Humankind and founder of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification (FFWPU) will be held at Cheonshim Peace World Center in Gapyeong-gun, Gyeonggi Province on 7.17 by the heavenly calendar (Aug 30) at 9 a.m. Around 30,000 people including overseas current and former heads of state and prominent figures from Korea and abroad are expected to participate in the ceremony.

With FFWPU in the lead, around 20 or so organizations and groups including the Universal Peace Federation, the Women's Federation for World Peace, the Citizens' Federation for the Unification of Korea, Collegiate Association for the Research of the Principle, the Youth Federation for World Peace, the Korea Religions Association, WonmoPyeongae Foundation, the Sunhak Peace Prize Committee, the Federation of Multicultural Families for Peace - Korea, Segye Times and Sun Moon University, are carrying out diverse commemorative projects in memory of the True Parent of Heaven, Earth and Humankind Sun Myung Moon.

The diverse events include the First Sunhak Peace Prize Award Ceremony and Special Lecture by the Winners, World Summit 2015, Peace Road 2015, Global Assembly of Youths and Students, Exhibition on the Life Achievements of the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind, Publication Ceremony of Cham PumoGyeong, International Symposium and other events, and are held under the theme, "Let us Connect the World to Peace," transcending existing barriers between nations, race, culture, religion and ideology, in an effort to realize world peace.

FFWPU-Korea will be carrying out the Love and Sharing Festival in Commemoration of the Third Universal Seonghwa Memorial in 231 locations and will particularly hold Revivals of the Soul in four main districts under the theme -A Giant that Embraced Peace, the Life of Rev. Sun Myung Moon was Love - from September to October. The Love and Sharing Festival will become a nationwide festival commemorating True Father's Seonghwa and an occasion to share with our neighbors the life of love and peace that True Parents led. Other than this, varied commemorative events such as the Welcoming Festival for New Members, pilgrimage of holy grounds and others, will also be carried out.

Meanwhile, the 2015 National Seonghwa Camp was held under the theme "Seonghwa! Become the Lights of Peace and Unification" amidst True Parents' special interest and love from 6.23 to 6.25 by the heavenly calendar (Aug 7-9) at the World Jamboree Training Center in Gangwon Province. Around 5,000 young people from Korea, Japan and around the world gathered for the occasion. Through the camp, True Parents' peace ideology and vision could be planted within the hearts of participating seonghwa students, a culture of heart could be shared and participants could pray for the unification of the Korean Peninsula and the realization of world peace, in commemoration of the Third Universal Seonghwa Memorial.

The highlight of this Third Universal Seonghwa Memorial is the First Sunhak Peace Prize Award Ceremony. The Sunhak Peace Prize was enacted to remember the life achievements of Rev. Sun Myung Moon, who dedicated his entire life in carrying out a worldwide peace movement centered on true love as his cherished life mission and to uphold and develop his spirit.

Pointing out to the disasters happening in different corners of the world due to climate change and food crisis in the 21st century and that this problem may grow into a global crisis with elements that can threaten the survival of humanity, the Sunhak Peace Prize Committee focused on finding candidates who invested efforts toward resolving climate change and food crisis to bring about sustainable peace for the future of humanity for its first prize. It is based on this criterion that President Anote Tong of Kiribati (63 years old) and Dr. M. Vijay Gupta were chosen as the winners of the First Sunhak Peace Prize. 🌍

Opening Ceremony of the Exhibition of the Lifetime Achievements of True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind commemorating the Third Anniversary of Cosmic Seonghwa

True Parents presided over the event and gave benediction, with more than two hundred leaders from all parts of the world in attendance



'True Parents' Benediction given at the Opening Ceremony of the Exhibition of the Lifetime Achievements of True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind

Today is the day on which the Exhibition of the Lifetime Achievements of True Parents has been opened in commemoration of the fifty-seventh anniversary of mission work in Japan and the fifty-sixth anniversary of the founding of the Japanese Unification Church, with the third anniversary of Seonghwa almost upon us.

True Parents have walked the historic course of fifty-seven years of blood, sweat and tears in order to establish Japan, the enemy nation, at the center of the Providence, and they have always worked together with the Japanese Unification Church to make it what it is today.

Father! Please help the people of Japan to practice the true love of living for the sake of others, the example of which you have set before us, so that they can indemnify every disloyalty they have shown in the course of Providential history, and please guide them to stand at the center of the mainstream of Providential history.

Father! How hard have you worked to give birth to Blessed families, who can fulfill the promise to achieve the one world of peace, the one united world, which is the realization of the wish of our Heavenly Parent and True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind?

When we look upon the items exhibited here today, we can realize only too keenly how hard God has worked and how much effort and devotion He has given until now to embrace humankind. Please help all members of the Unification Church to follow in the footsteps of True Parents, so that they can do their utmost best and spur themselves on more and more in carrying out the work of establishing Cheon Il Guk.

We hope and pray that you will embrace all Blessed families living together with you in this proud age, and help them to make a firm resolution as of this moment of this day and to translate their resolution into action, so that they can receive the award of being your proud filial sons and daughters and your loyal followers. We sincerely hope to become people who no longer desire to only receive, but who can instead share out what we have to others and embrace the seven billion world population.

Beloved True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind, Father! We love you. We pray that you will hold us all in your embrace, so that we can become proud Blessed families and second and third generations who can follow in the footsteps you have trod before us, as you set an example of the life we need to live. We also hope that all these items we have prepared will be a source of comfort and of joy both to you and to us. I report this in True Parents' name. Aju! 🙏

True Mother hopes in her benediction that we can embrace the seven billion world population

The opening ceremony of the “Exhibition of the Lifetime Achievements of True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind”, commemorating the third anniversary of the Cosmic Seonghwa of Sun Myung Moon, True Parent of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind, was held at the first-floor lobby of Cheongshim Peace World Center under the guidance of True Parents on July 14 by heavenly calendar (August 27 by solar calendar) at 3 p.m..

Through the benediction she gave on this day, True Mother conveyed an encouraging message as she explained the meaning of the Exhibition, by saying, “Let this be an exhibition that will help us realize only too keenly how hard God has worked and how much effort and devotion He has given until now to embrace humankind, so that all members of the Unification Church can follow in the footsteps of True Parents and do their utmost best and spur themselves on more and more in carrying out the work of establishing Cheon Il Guk.”

The event held on this day was attended by more than two hundred people, including World President Yeon Ah Moon of Women’s Federation for World Peace, Chairperson Hoon Sook Moon of Universal Culture Foundation, World Vice-president In Seob Park of Family Federation for World Peace and Unification (hereafter FFWPU), World Vice-president Joon Seok Ahn, Korean Church President Gyeong Seok Yu, Japanese Church General President Yong Cheon Song and other continental directors, leaders of Providential organizations, and participants of the First Global Top Gun Workshop.

The opening ceremony, emceed by Japanese Church President Eiji Tokuno, was begun with the entrance of True Mother, followed by her benediction, tape-cutting, and taking of commemorative photographs. After the ceremony, True Mother moved to the Exhibition Hall set up on the second floor of Cheongshim Peace World Center, and after being presented with bouquets, she walked around the exhibition together with major leaders and looked at the exhibited objects with great attention. When she reached the fifth section, she even sat down on the chair placed in front of the exhibition panel to watch a video of her giving a speech in Japan to the very end before moving on.

Afterwards, True Mother moved to Cheon Jeong Gung Museum and, after participating in the tape-cutting together with major leaders in front of the Cheon Jeong Gung Museum Exhibition Hall, she also had a look around it.

An Exhibition of True Parents’ Providence in Japan seen at a Glance

The Exhibition of the Lifetime Achievements of True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind, opened with the blessings of True Parents, will be held under the title, “Providence in Japan and the Footsteps of True Parents”, for five days from July 14 to July 18 by heavenly calendar (8.27~8.31) at Cheongshim Peace World Center and Cheon Jeong

Gung Museum.

The Exhibition prepared under the leadership of FFWPU-Japan was planned with the intention of particularly introducing the Providential work carried out centering on Japan by True Parents from among all the victories and triumphs they achieved during their lifetime, and the course of faith of the Japanese members who participated in this work, in order to prepare the starting ground for education to achieve the victory of Vision 2020.

The exhibition in Cheongshim Peace World Center has been divided into nine chronological sections, from the time of True Father’s studying abroad in Japan to the Providence being recently carried out centering on True Mother, and a tenth section has been added under the theme, “Memorable photographs and testimonies with True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind & Photo Zone”, which sections have been set up in the form of panels in the second-floor hallway. At the center of each section, a video clip showing True Parents at each time period is screened to add more liveliness.

In Cheon Jeong Gung Museum, more than 120 items are exhibited, which give testimony to all major events and achievements in the Providence carried out in Japan, from when True Father studied in Japan in his teens to when he dispatched missionaries, as well as displays of the process of receiving an official permit as a religious organization, the first editions of the Explanation of the Divine Principle and the Exposition of the Divine Principle, and True Father’s visits to Japan and True Mother’s speaking tour across all parts of Japan.

In addition, exhibited in six separate sections are the articles of clothing True Father wore at the time of his first visit to Japan in 1965, the holy salt he used when he chose holy grounds during his world tour, the soil he brought back from holy grounds, letters exchanged between leaders, and a writing personally written and bestowed by True Father after the Blessing of Japanese Church President Osami Kuboki, which says “Lover of Japan and Origin of Loyalty and Filial Piety (日本之情 忠孝之源)”.

Among the exhibited items that attract the attention of visitors are such items as the wallet True Father gave True Mother to be cherished as his other self when she set out for her tour of Japan in 2002, as well as the writing of “Mansei for the Perfection of One Hundred Sixty Thousand People”, which True Father wrote on the blackboard of the great hall of Guri Central Training Center at the conclusion of the Japanese Women Leaders’ Workshop on November 20, 1994, and which has been preserved together with his autograph.

In the Exhibition Hall prepared at Cheon Jeong Gung Museum, more than sixty rare and valuable items are exhibited in all their splendor thanks particularly to the earnest cooperation and support of the Japanese Unification Church, including the writings bestowed at the time of the selection of eight holy grounds in Japan and other such occasions, and speeches from major events. 🙏

<Articles provided by Planning and Promotion Department>



1. True Mother looking around at the Exhibition on True Parents’ Life Courses in Cheongshim Peace World Center
2-3. True Mother looking around in the exhibition hall of Cheon

Jeong Gung Museum
4. A scene of the opening ceremony of the Exhibition on the Life Achievements of Rev. Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon

Martial Arts Festival in Commemoration of the Third Universal Seonghwa Memorial of Sun Myung Moon, the True Parent of Heaven, Earth and Humankind

Martial Arts Federation has expanded to forty nations ever since its establishment and is continuing the founder's spirit of Love God, Love all People and Love your Country.



1. True Mother observing and encouraging the martial arts demonstrations
 2. True Mother receiving a bouquet of flowers
 3-4. A view of martial arts demonstrations, the second part of the Martial Arts Festival
 5. Group photo taken after the Martial Arts Festival in commemoration of the Third Universal Seonghwa Memorial

Martial Arts Federation for World Peace (Martial Arts Federation in short) hosted the Martial Arts Festival in Commemoration of the Third Universal Seonghwa Memorial of Sun Myung Moon, the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind at the gymnasium in Cheongshim International Youth Center on 7.12 by the heavenly calendar (Aug 25), 10.30 a.m.

True Mother observes martial arts demonstrations and encourages the martial artists

True Mother honored the event on this day by observing in person the martial demonstrations of our blessed families' second- and third-generation martial artists and their congratulatory performances and by encouraging their work. She was welcomed with ardent cheers and applause as she made her entrance. After receiving a ceremonial bow from everyone, she received a bouquet of flowers from a representative second-generation martial artist. From a seat prepared for her on stage, she watched the martial arts demonstrations of the second part of the event.

Around 700 people including the Women Federation for World Peace (WFWP) Chairwoman Moon Yeon-ah, the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification (FFWPU) International Vice-President Park In-sup, heads of providential organizations, key leaders, eighty or so martial artists, the first class of the Global Top

Gun Workshop, Universal Peace Academy cadets and members participated in this festival, a time of resolve and determination to inherit True Parents' teachings and honor True Father's great life and spirit.

Martial Arts Federation Chairman Moon Kwon-jin gave the opening address, through which he said, "August 2015 is indeed a meaningful month as we celebrate both the 70th anniversary of Korea's independence and the Third Universal Seonghwa Memorial. Now that the period of offering mourning conditions for True Father has come to a conclusion, this Martial Arts Festival is a platform upon which we must all make the resolve to form a solidarity centered on our Heavenly Parent and True Parents for the unification of North Korea and South Korea, the hope of our people, and open an era of unification."

He urged everyone saying, "In order to successfully achieve a peaceful unification and become the leading force in the Pacific Rim Era and a world based on the culture of heart, we must train our minds and bodies, attain body and mind unity and grow into mature people that excel both at martial arts and in literary work.... Let us become future leaders who spread True Parents' ideology and spirit and contribute to the realization of a world of peace through martial arts."

FFWPU-Korea Chairman RyuKyeong-seuk said in his message of encouragement, "At

the Martial Arts Federation for World Peace Inaugural Rally, Rev. Sun Myung Moon emphasized that the path of true martial arts is one that restores the original role of the body and is one that trains the inner self and seeks to attain mind and body unity." After talking about the history of Martial Arts Federation, which has expanded its foundation to forty nations today, Chairman Ryu said, "As martial artists that have both trained mind and bodies and character, I sincerely hope that you creatively and actively respond to the changes of this new age and work toward bringing about harmony and unity in this twenty-first century."

In a report prayer offered by Director Lee Gi-seong prior to the above message, Director Lee earnestly prayed, "Please enable all TongilMoodo artists to become heavenly soldiers that achieve Vision 2020 and the substantial CheonIlGuk at all cost. Our True Father of Heaven, Earth and Humankind gave the name TongilMoodo with his blessings; please enable us to make Love God, Love all People and Love your Nation, the guiding ideals of TongilMoodo, truly live up to the meaning of "Train and Advance Bravely" and "Teaching Filial Piety and Gaining Ten Thousands of Victories," and enable True Parents authority of true love to come down on earth."

The meaning of realizing peace and unification through martial arts

Today's event was emceed by Martial Arts Federation President Moon Pyeong-rae. The event was divided in two parts: the memorial ceremony and demonstration of martial arts. The ceremony went in the following order: the opening remark, ceremonial bowing, the Cheon Il Guk Anthem, a report prayer by Cheongpyeong Heaven and Earth Training Center Lee Gi-seong, floral tribute and silent tribute, opening message by Martial Arts Federation Chairman Moon Kwon-jin (Read by Martial Arts Federation Vice-President Seok Il-jing) and words of encouragement by FFWPU-Korea President RyuKyeong-seuk (read by FFWPU-Korea Vice-President Lee Hyeon-yeong).

Martial arts demonstrations, which were held in True Mother's presence, began after the first part ended. First of all, teams of second-generation and third-generation members re-created a story. Next, the True Love Peace School team gave a demonstration centered on district pastor Hwang In-chun. Thirdly, four cadets from the Universal Peace Academy demonstrated discipline and courage through their performance of martial arts using sticks. Following it, the Japanese Cheon-Bu-Eun-Go team presented a special performance based on Moon Hyo-jin's song, "Be Successful" to express their firm loyalty and filial piety for True Parents.

Fifth, the Seonjeong-Seonhwa Brothers International Team presented a performance. One particular plot centered on Shin-chulnim conveyed the firm determination of blessed children that they will pierce through the darkness and move on to become True Parents' hope. Finally, martial art demonstrators of the Martial Arts Federation presented the essence of TongilMoodo based on Divine Principle contents including the four-position foundation and the give and receive action, by forming harmony between soft circular movements and strong straight-line movements. 🌟

“PEACE ROAD 2015” Completion Ceremony for 120 Nations held at Gwanghwamun

30,000 kilometers across 120 nations traversed in 93 days by more than 300,000 people from around the world with prayers for unification of Korea and world peace



1. A performance for peace and unification
2. Ryu Kyeong-seuk, executive chairman of the Third Universal Seonghwa Memorial, giving the welcoming address



3. Son Byeong-ho, executive chairperson of Peace Road - Korea giving the welcoming address
4. A commemorative photo with the Peace Road cycling teams from across the world



The completion ceremony of the “Peace Road 2015” Project for 120 Nations, participated by people from around the world with prayers for unification of Korea and world peace, was held at Gwanghwamun Central Plaza on July 14 by the heavenly calendar (August 27) at 11 a.m. with more than 500 people in attendance, including leaders from all fields, participants from the 120 nations, and Seoul citizens.

The Peace Road World Tour was organized by “Peace Road 2015 Organizing Committee” and hosted by the “Citizens’ Federation for the Unification of Korea”, a civil advisory organization to the Unification Preparatory Committee under the direct control of the Korean president, and the “Universal Peace Federation”, a special advisory organization to the United Nations Economic and Social Council. The tour was also sponsored by the Unification Preparatory Committee under the Korean president, Ministry of Government Administration and Home Affairs, Ministry of Unification, and Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism.

The stage for world citizens to become central figures in bringing about world peace

The Peace Road Tour, begun on April 13 last by the heavenly calendar (May 30), started out from the Cape of Good Hope in the Republic of South Africa and passed through the Middle East and Europe, and from Santiago in Chile through South America, North America and Japan, and arrived at the final destination, the Korean Peninsula, in 93 days, bringing the Grand Unification Tour to a close.

This Grand Tour was participated by more than 300,000 people from 120 nations, who with prayers for peace traversed the distance of 30,000 kilometers without taking time

to rest, using various kinds of transportation including bicycles and cars, and sometimes even on foot, all the while praying for unification of Korea and world peace, and finally arrived in Seoul.

Vice-chairperson Joon Seok Ahn of the Peace Road Organizing Committee, who attended the completion ceremony in the stead of Chairperson Sun Jin Moon, spoke of the results achieved through the Peace Road Project in his encouragement speech, “The Peace Road 2015 has served as an opportunity to awaken the passion for unification of Korea and world peace in the hearts of leaders and citizens of the world, and as the stage on which the world citizens came to realize that they can become central figures in bringing about world peace.”

Through his welcoming address, Chairman Gyeong Seok Yu of the Executive Committee for the Third Anniversary of Cosmic Seonghwa Organizing Committee spoke words of encouragement: “I am truly grateful to you participants who have come from all over the world to take part in the Peace Road Project to open the age of peace in the global village. Let us work together to make the vision of peace come true through the ‘International Peace Highway’, so that we can realize the ideal of the global village living together as one family”.

Chairman Byeong Ho Sohn of the Peace Road Korean Executive Committee also welcomed the participants, saying, “The fact that Korean residents living abroad and world citizens came together to traverse 120 nations, with their hearts full of the hope to realize the unification of Korea and to build the DMZ World Peace Park, is especially significant. Such cooperation from the global society will contribute greatly towards advancing the unification of the Korean people. I am truly grateful to the participants

from around the world who took part in the tour.”

The main ceremony was attended by chairpersons of executive committees of every continent, who all shared their impressions on hosting the Peace Road Project in their different continents. As the last part of the program, the participants from 120 nations performed the “symbolic cutting of the iron railing of DMZ” and sang “Our Hope” together, as they prayed for the unification of Korea, the only divided nation in the world.

Global village project praying for unification of Korea and world peace

The Peace Road Project was prepared on the foundation of the “International Peace Highway” Project, officially proposed by Rev. Sun Myung Moon at the 10th International Conference on the Unity of the Sciences held in 1981 in Seoul. The project aims to connect the entire world as one via one road, thereby resolving world conflicts and disputes and bringing the world population together as one family and thus opening the age of peace in the global village.

The participants from Korea, with prayers for unification of Korea and world peace, took part in traversing 12,000 kilometers in Russia by car, where they next crossed over from Vladivostok to the East Sea Port and traversed 15,000 kilometers in the islands of Japan by bicycle, and again crossed over from Shimonoseki Port to Busan. From July 8 to 14 by the heavenly calendar (August 21 to 27), and with the Peace Road flags attached to the front of their bicycles, they traversed the nation of Korea from Busan to Seoul, a total distance of 1,000 kilometers, on their bicycles together with representative participants from continents across the world. <Article provided by Peace Road Organizing Committee>

2015 International Symposium for Promoting Unification of Korea and World Peace

Held at Korean National Assembly with welcoming reception for Peace Road World Tour Team

The “2015 International Symposium for Promoting Unification of Korea and World Peace” was held on July 14 by the heavenly calendar (August 27), right after the completion ceremony of the “Peace Road 2015 of 120 Nations”, at the Grand Conference Room of the Korean National Assembly Members’ Hall and with more than 500 people in attendance, including leaders from all fields and members of the World Tour Team.

The international symposium, co-hosted by the “Unification Future Forum”, a research organization made up of National Assembly members, and the “Citizens’ Federation for the Unification of Korea”, was planned and carried out to welcome the “Peace Road 2015” World Tour Team, who with prayers for unification of Korea and world peace had completed the grand tour of 93 days, and also for the purpose of searching for the means to achieve the unification of Korea and world peace, in order to flame the interest and will of the peoples and nations across the world.

Peace Road will contribute greatly towards realizing the unification of Korea

The international symposium was held in two parts, Part I being the welcoming reception for the World Tour Team and Part II being the symposium itself. In Part I, the welcoming reception, after a video on the Peace Road 2015 Grand World Tour was screened, congratulatory performances were given by Yangcheon Multicultural Choir, Peace and Unification Choir of Korean Wives Residing in Japan, Sakhalin Korean Residents Samulnori (Korean traditional percussion quartet) Team named “Sky”, and Global Top Gun Team, which were followed by the entrance of the World Tour Team, the presentation of bouquets, and presentations of the participants’ personal impressions.

Next followed the welcoming addresses of Co-director Myeong Cheol Cho of the “Unification Future Forum” and Chairman Byeong Ho Sohn of the Peace Road Korean Executive Committee (Citizens’ Federation for the Unification of Korea), the presentation of congratulatory messages from Prime Minister Gyo Ahn Hwang and Ministers Yong Pyo Hong (Ministry of Unification), Il Ho Yu (Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport), and Jong Deok Kim (Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism), and congratulatory addresses delivered by former President Kravchuk of Ukraine, Deputy Speaker Gab Yoon Jeong of Korean National Assembly, and National Assembly Member Ho Young Joo of Saenuri Party.

In Part II, the symposium, representatives from each continent came forward and gave reports on carrying out the Peace Road Project under the theme, “Promoting unification of Korea and world peace through the Peace Road”.

Prime Minister Gyo Ahn Hwang sent a congratulatory message in which he expressed his congratulations for the completion of the Peace Road and the hosting of the international symposium, and added, “I hope the prayers for unification offered by the people from 120 nations across the world and all Korean citizens will help to accelerate the peaceful unification of the Korean people as quickly as possible”.

Co-director Myeong Cheol Cho of the “Unification Future Forum” said in his welcoming address, “This year marks the seventieth anniversary of the division of Korea. The unification of this country cannot be postponed any longer. The Peace Road Project has been promoted internationally at a time when the government and the people should become one to bring an end to the age of division and open the age of unification, and this project, participated by people from 120 nations under the banner of the unification of Korea, will contribute greatly towards realizing the unification of Korea.”

Chairman Byeong Ho Sohn of the Peace Road Korean Executive Committee revealed through his welcoming address, “In Korea, the Peace Road Project was sponsored by the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport, the Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism, the Ministry of Unification, and the Unification Preparatory Committee under the Korean president, with the special support of the Ministry of Government Administration and Home Affairs”. He went on to encourage the participants to continue to take part in the movement for the unification of Korea and world peace, saying, “The day will soon come when the vision of Korea-Japan Undersea Tunnel and Bering Strait Tunnel is realized and we can run on the peace road of our dreams. When one dreams of something alone, it may well remain a dream, but when we all dream the same thing, we can undoubtedly make it come true. The Peace Road will be continued until the day of unification”.

Unification of Korea is the cornerstone in realizing world peace

Former President Kravchuk of Ukraine stated in his congratulatory address, “The Peace Road Project, carried out in 120 nations to resolve world conflicts and disputes, transcending religion and race, is a splendid project for realizing world peace. I, too, as



1. Son Byeong-ho, executive chairperson of Peace Road – Korea, giving the welcoming address
 2. Leonid Kravchuk, first president of Ukraine, giving a congratulatory address
 3. Congressman Cho Myeong-cheol giving a welcoming address

4. Welcoming ceremony for the Peace Road cycling teams from across the world
 5. Deputy Speaker Jeong Gap-yun giving a greeting message
 6. A panorama of the International Symposium

a world citizen, will take the lead in making a world of peace. At the same time, I will also join forces to bring about the peaceful unification of Korea.”

Minister Yong Pyo Hong of the Ministry of Unification said in his congratulatory message, “I would like to express my congratulations to all of the participants who have successfully concluded the ‘Peace Road 2015’ Project to build the foundation for the peaceful unification of Korea. I believe that this event,

participated by 120 nations, has served as a wonderful opportunity to make it known that the unification of Korea, the only divided nation in the world, is the cornerstone in realizing world peace. I expect that this event will play a central role in fueling our will towards achieving peaceful unification and in attracting the support and cooperation of the global society, and I pray for the good health of all those who participated in this grand tour.”

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International Academic Conference Held to Commemorate the 3rd Anniversary of the Universal Seonghwa of Sun Myung Moon, True Parent of Heaven, Earth and Humankind

The Peace and Unification Activities and Vision of Sun Myung Moon, Conference attended by 57 Scholars from 35 Universities in 6 countries

To commemorate the 3rd Anniversary of the Universal Seonghwa of Sun Myung Moon, the True Parent of Heaven, Earth and Humankind, an international conference under the title, "The Peace and Unification Activities and Vision of Sun Myung Moon" was held on the 11th day of the 7th month on the heavenly calendar (August 24). The conference was attended by a total of 57 professors from 35 universities in 6 nations, including leading peace scholar Johan Galtung from Norway. The scholars discussed True Father's thought and activities regarding peace, the reunification of Korea and world peace.

A Scholarly Examination of True Parents' Ideology of Peace

The conference was jointly sponsored by World Professors Peace Academy, the Sun Myung Moon Institute of Sun Moon University, Unification Thought Institute and was attended by more than 400 leaders, scholars and students.

Sun Moon University president Hwang Seon-jo spoke about the purpose of the conference, "This conference was organized at the 70th anniversary of Korean's liberation from Japan to inherit and expand the ideology and vision of Sun Myung Moon, who worked to realize a new world of peace and unity."

PWPA's Son Dae-o added, "The peace activities of Sun Myung Moon was a course to realize God's ideal of creation. I hope that this conference will be an opportunity to make an earnest examination of Rev. Moon's work."

Dr. Johan Galtung spoke on the topic of "The Future Prospects for the Korean Peninsula," stating, "As we go past the 70th anniversary of the liberation of Korea, in order to realize peace on the Korean peninsula, the most urgent thing is not unification, but building mutual trust through dialogue." He added that in order to achieve settlement and peace on the Korean peninsula, "What is needed is the formation of Northeast Asian community and six party talks to achieve a peaceful settlement among the 4 neighboring strong nations, as well as a settlement of the issues of the past history between Korea, China and Japan."

Dr. Galtung also spoke about True Father at the 3rd anniversary of his Universal Seonghwa, "Knowing about Rev. Moon's wide variety of activities for world peace, including the international highway, his work is very inspiring. I hope that even following Rev. Moon's ascension, this work will be inherited and continued."

Presentations and Discussions on Nine Topics, Focusing on Peace on the Korean Peninsula

The international academic conference included discussions on nine topics, including Academic Ideologies, Religious Peace, Peace on the Korean Peninsula, World Peace, Social Action, Future Peace, Family Peace, Art and Culture and Peace Studies. In view of the recent military discord between North and South Korea, there was particular interest in the section on Peace on the Korean Peninsula.

In the section on Peace on the Korean Peninsula, Professor Kim Geun-sik from Kyungnam University presented a paper on "Peaceful Reunification, the Dream and Practice of the Rev. Sun Myung Moon," saying, "At the 70 year mark after the liberation of Korea, North and South Korea have ended up in military confrontation and enmity,



1. Dr. Johan Galtung giving the keynote address
2. Hwang Sun-jo, President of Sun Moon University, giving the opening address
3. Chairman Son Dae-o giving the welcoming address
4. Lee Jae-yeong, director of the Sun Myung Moon Research Center, giving the closing address
5. A panorama of the International Symposium in Commemoration of the Third Universal Seonghwa Memorial
6. The audience attentively listens to the presentations and discussions
7. Commemorative photo taken after the International Symposium

peace on the Korean Peninsula has vanished, and the idea of reunification has become an empty echo, the life of Rev. Moon is getting a new look," and continued to discuss the path the must be followed to achieve peace on the Korean Peninsula.

Professor Lee Jeong-woo from the University of North Korean Studies stated, "In setting up a plan for the unification of North and South Korea, Rev. Sun Myung Moon's principle regarding the plan for unification provides us some significant implications." Professor Oh Gi-seong of Gyeongin National University of Education spoke on Rev. Moon's efforts for the cause of reunification. Following that, Professor Kim Hak-Seong of Chungnam National University and Lee Su-seok and Kim Il-gi of the Institute for National Security Strategy discussed the presentations.

At the section on World Peace Professor Oh Yeong-dal from Chungnam National University spoke on "The Limitations of the Existing UN and Alternative Peace UN," presenting True Parents' proposed vision for a Peace UN and Professor Hong Jeong-pyo of Miyazaki International University presented a paper on "Rev. Sun Myung Moon's Ideology for a Community of Peace in Northeast Asia." Dong-a University's Professor Lee Shin-wook spoke about the talks between Sun Myung Moon and Mikhail Gorbachev working toward for the settlement of peace after the dissolution of the Soviet Union from a point of view of global governance. Following the presentations, discussion was led by Kyung Hee University's Hong Gi-Jun, Shanghai University of Foreign Studies' Choi Chun-hong and Hanyang University's Woo Pyeong-gyun.

Presenting papers at the group discussing Religious Peace was Kim Do-gong of

Wonkwang University, who spoke on "An Explanation of Reformist Thought after the Coming of Heaven - the Peace Ideology of the Unification Church," Lee Chang-ik of Hallym University referring to the expansion of the providence centered on Rev. Moon's proclamations with is talk on "Regarding a New World Created by Words - Religious Political Science on the Concept and Thought of Unification." The final presentation was made by Chairman Kim Hang-je of the Korean Academy of New Religions, on the topic, "Sun Myung Moon and Hak Ja Han Lasting Peace Teachings and Religious Peace Activities." Commenting on the presentations were Yoon Seung-yong of the Korean Institute for Religion and Culture, Professor Goh Geon-ho and Sun Moon University Professor Ahn Yeon-hee.

The Academic Ideologies section proceeded with the presentations of papers on "Inductive and Deductive Models and the Universal Beginnings of Unification Thought" by Jin Seong-bae, Director of the Unification Thought Institute, "The Importance of Rev. Sun Myung Moon's Absolute Values" by Thomas Selover of Cheongshim Graduate School of Theology, "New Science and the Dual Characteristics of Interstellar Travel" by Richard Lewis of Unification News Press and Sun Moon University Professor Han Cheol-hee. Following the presentations, Professor Choi Jeong-chang of Bridgeport University, Professor Hwang Jin-su of Cheongshim Graduate School of Theology and Professor Endo Shuichi of Sun Moon University deciphered the academic concepts for the many attendees who were not from scholarly fields, and held extensive discussion on the presentations.(continued on next page)

Dr. Johan Galtung and Discussion on Peace Studies

The afternoon session, starting from 3:50, was divided into five sections for presentations and discussion: Social Action, Future Peace, Family Peace, Art and Culture and Peace Studies. Peace Studies, which attracted the most attention, was chaired by Professor Lee Jaebong of Wonkwang University and rather than a presentation, proceeded with discussions led by Dr. Johan Galtung on the current situation on the Korean Peninsula, improving the relationship between North and South Korea in the future, and the settlement of peace.

The professors who participated in the Peace Studies section recounted the meaning of the 70 years since the liberation of Korea and offered their united view that in order to accomplish genuine peace and unification, it was necessary not only to build trust between North and South Korea, but also to develop a shared vision of peace between the neighboring powerful countries that will lead to build mutual cooperation, and that leadership capable of continuing to move these things forward would also be essential.

Professor Kim Su-min of Sun Moon University, who participated in the section on peace studies commented, "Real discussion was held regarding solving the current blocks in the relationship between North and South Korea, and Dr. Galtung offered proposals regarding the roles of the neighboring countries in creating self-sustaining improved relations between North and South Korea."

In the section on Social Action, Professor Pak Sang-pil of Hanil University and Presbyterian Seminary spoke on "The Status and Meaning of the Unification Church's Work for Peace," explaining that the Unification Church's NGO activities aimed at the realization of peace. He continued to say, "In order to expand and continue this kind of activity, increased study of citizen activities and NGO's, inter-religious harmony as a base for religious pluralism, and innovative types of activities are needed."

Professor Hwang Won-jae of Tennessee State University, speaking on "Unification Ideology from a Political Point of View and the Historical Meaning of Unification Activities" said, "Rev. Sun Myung Moon as one religious denomination worked not

only within the local community, but led an organization that spread out and conducted activities in every field and level of society.

In addition, Islamic scholar Rama Bujang of Indonesia's University of Malaya spoke on "The Women's Federation for World Peace, Established as a Global Altruistic and Support NGO due to the Foresight of Sun Myung Moon and Hak Ja Han." Following his presentation, discussions were led by Bae Han-dong of Kyungpook National University, Eom Sang-yoon of the Sejong Institute and Jo Hee-won of Kyung Hee University.

Presentations Regarding Peace Activities A Variety of Fields

The Future Peace section opened with a presentation by Professor Kwuon Dongri of China's Yanbian University about True Father's proposal for an international highway, followed by a talk by Professor Goh Kyung-min of Jeju University on "Peace Through the Oceans - Rev. Sun Myung Moon's View on the Oceans and Oceanic Food Resources." Professor Hwang Sang-seok of Cheonnam University presented a paper on Rev. Moon's economic activities entitled "Rev. Sun Myung Moon's Economic Activity for Peace Seen From the Point of View of Blue Ocean Strategy." A deep discussion on the presentations was led by Dong-A University Professor Lee Heon-gyeong, Sangji University Professor Lim Sang-cheol and Dankook University Professor Han Jongsu.

Discussion on Family Peace focused on a presentation on the ideal and reality of the International Marriage Blessing. Professor Oh Gyo-yeong of Sun Moon University shared the results of a survey on the International Marriage Blessing and the concept of one family of humankind, and Professor Yano Takaoshi of Sejong University gave a report on education for members of the 2nd generation members of the international blessed families. Professor Ji Chung-nam of Cheonnam National University gave an evaluation of the ideal of the international marriage Blessing from the point of view of multicultural peace activities. Discussion on Family Peace was led by Professor Lee Seon-mi of Cheonnam National University, Professor Nam Bu-heon of Sun Moon University and

Professor Lee Yong-seung of Daegu University.

The Art and Culture section began with a report on Rev. Moon's thoughts on the Cultural World of the Heart, focusing on art by Professor Na Hyung-min of Kyung Hee University, a report on peace activities through the media by Kim Taek-hwan of Gyeonggi University, entitled "The Mission and Role of the Media Regarding World Peace and Peace on the Korean Peninsula - Focusing on the Washington Times and the Segye Times." Professor Lee Jae-il of Sun Moon University introduced Rev. Moon's teaching on education, speaking on "A Look Back at Rev. Sun Myung Moon's Life Course Ideology of Education." Discussion on the presentations was led by Professors Pak Am-jong of Sun Moon University, Jeon Hee-rak of Dong-A Institute of Media and Arts and Lim Hyun-jin of Cheongshim Graduate School of Theology.

A Chance to Widen Understanding of True Parents' Peace Activities

In his closing address after the sectional discussions were completed, Lee Jae-yeong, Sun Moon University Vice President and Director of the Sun Myung Moon Institute offered his appreciation to the participants, "I want to extend my sincere thanks to the 57 professors who gave presentations and led discussions today regarding Rev. Moon's Peace and Unification Activities. Many of you may have thought of Rev. Moon only as a religious leader, but I hope that today you have had a chance to see him from a new point of view through this conference touching on an academic view of his teachings."

Professor Han Yeong-ae of Kyung Hee University shared his experience, "I was aware of Rev. Moon's work for peace, but through the conference today I learned that his teaching had sown seeds in so many different areas of study."

The professors who had given presentations and led discussion also commented that they had been very moved while reading Rev. Moon's autobiography and assembled sermons while preparing for this presentation, and that they had come to understand more deeply his work for peace. <Report provided by: Sun Moon University Sun Myung Moon Institute>



A complete view of the debate at the first break-out session



A complete view of the debate at the second break-out session



A complete view of the debate at the fourth break-out session



A complete view of the debate at the fifth break-out session



A complete view of the debate at the sixth break-out session



A complete view of the debate at the seventh break-out session



Presenters and debaters of the ninth break-out session

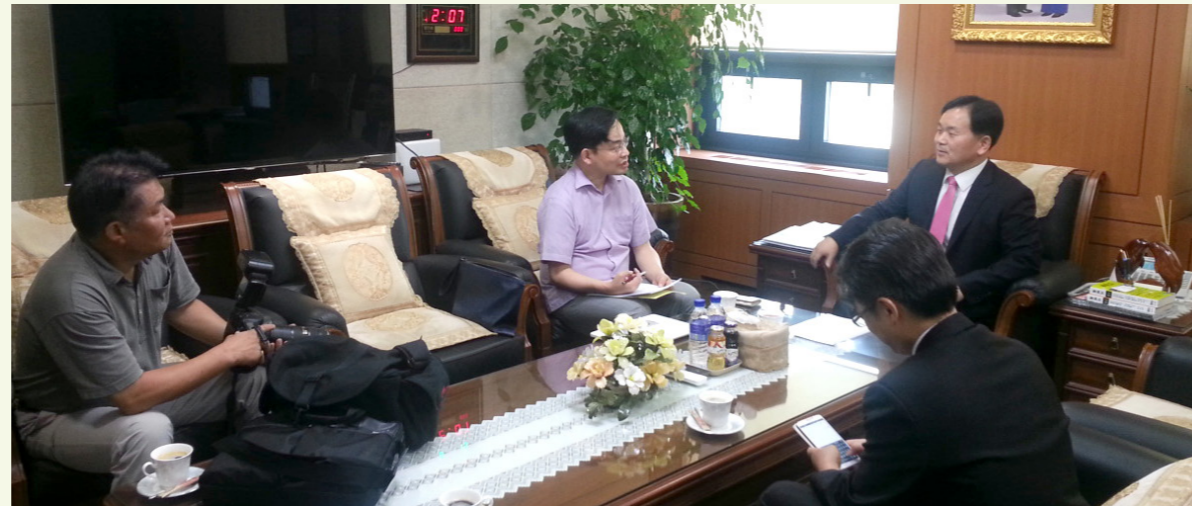


Meeting of Religion Reporters in Commemoration of the Third Universal Seonghwa Memorial of Sun Myung Moon, the True Parent of Heaven, Earth and Humankind

Religion reporters from nine major dailies participated, Press Center, Seoul



An interviewing reporter from Munhwa Times



An interviewing reporter from Newsis



A complete view of the Religion Reporters Meeting in Commemoration of the Third Universal Seonghwa Memorial

In commemoration of the Third Universal Seonghwa Memorial of Sun Myung Moon, the True Parent of Heaven, Earth and Humankind, a meeting of religion reporters was held on 7.12 by the heavenly calendar (Aug 25) at the Press Center, Seoul. The reporters are in charge of the religion section in nine major newspapers including Joseon Times, JoongAng Times, Donga Times, Segye Times and others.

Chairman Ryu Kyeong-seuk Briefing Participants on the Significance and Commemorative Events of the Third Universal Seonghwa Memorial

Co-Executive Chairman of the Organizing Committee for the Commemorative Events of the Third Universal Seonghwa Memorial and Chairman of FFWPU-Korea Ryu Kyeong-seuk explained that True Father's third universal seonghwa memorial this year signifies the end of the mourning period; from a religious standpoint, this memorial will be a meaningful event of conclusion, in light of the meaning of formation, growth and

perfection. He also revealed that, as of next year, future commemorative events of True Father's universal seonghwa will be planned and prepared in each region and nation.

Reporters attentively listened to Chairman Ryu Kyeong-seuk's briefing, used prepared report materials as reference, and asked questions ordinary citizens would like to know about the commemorative events of the Third Universal Seonghwa Memorial. Reporters particularly focused their questions on the First Sunhak Peace Prize Award Ceremony and the 2015 Peace Road, which 120 nations participated in.

Chairman Ryu Kyeong-seuk revealed, "The Sunhak Peace Prize was enacted through Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon's suggestion, as a means of remembering the life achievements of Rev. Sun Myung Moon, who carried out a worldwide peace movement based on his interreligious, international and inter-ethnic ideology and his philosophy of true love, co-existence, co-prosperity and co-justice, and as a means to uphold and develop his noble will and spirit" and then explained the selection process of the laureates and the reason behind this selection, etc.

Later, he explained the vision of Peace Road, saying, "Peace Road is a name that implies the International Peace Highway advocated by Rev. Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon. The project's vision is to connect the entire world through one road, reduce worldwide conflicts and disputes by transcending all racial, religious and national barriers, connect all people as one family, and thereby open an era of peace on earth." Later, he shared with those present the background that led to the planning of the 2015 Peace Road, its purpose, the progress process and its results.

Testifying to True Parents' Life Achievements and Sharing the Future Vision of FFWPU

When Chairman Ryu was asked, "What kind of change did FFWPU go through during the three years after the ascension of Rev. Sun Myung Moon," he replied, "FFWPU was able to harmonize and achieve balanced growth under Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon's soft and gentle leadership."

He went on to say, "By forming a network between all 194 mission countries, we are cooperating and advancing together to achieve the peace and unification vision of Rev. and Mrs. Moon. On the foundation of the Holy Spirit and the Truth, FFWPU is building a firm foundation to become a national religion through its three great innovations and field-centered policies; compared to the past, it has become more organized and we are seeing systematic growth."

"There are about 1,000 volumes assembled from the teachings Rev. Sun Myung Moon gave while on earth. Dr. Han compiled them into three volumes of Scripture called Cheon Seong Gyeong, Pyeong Hwa Gyeong and Cham Bumo Gyeong. Centered on the Scripture volumes, she enacted a religious constitution. She is presently working on consolidating our movement into one global organization."

The organizing committee of the commemorative events for the Third Universal Seonghwa Memorial is planning and conducting diverse memorial events that transcend national, racial, cultural, religious and ideological barriers in an effort to achieve a world of peace. The events were held under the theme, Let us Connect the World to Peace.

Peace Road 2015, which was simultaneously launched in Las Vegas, the Cape of Good Hope, and Santiago, held its completion ceremony at the Central Plaza of Gwanghwamun and the big conference room at the National Assembly Members' Office Building in Yeouido on 7.15 by the heavenly calendar (Aug 27). The Sunhak Peace Prize award ceremony was held the following day and the first Sunhak Peace Prize winners are Kiribati President Anote Tong and Indian researcher Modadugu Vijay Gupta.

With True Father's Third Universal Seonghwa Memorial around the corner, Chairman Ryu used this occasion to testify about True Parents' dedicated lives toward world peace and the future of humanity and convey the future vision of FFWPU through his interviews with the major media sources including Segye Times, Munhwa Times, Gyeonghyang Newspaper, NewShis, Weekly Gyeonghyang, Monthly JoongAng, etc. 📷

<Article provided by the Planning and Promotion Department>



South Korean Religious Federation holds Religious Leaders Friendly Football Tournament to mark Third Anniversary of Cosmic Seonghwa



For Religious Peace and Harmony, Daejong-gyo the Victor among Eight Teams from Five Religious Orders

Eight teams drawn from five religious orders participated in the Multi-Religious Cooperation Religious Leaders Friendly Football Tournament sponsored by The South Korean Religious Federation (FFWPU). The tournament was held on the 9th day of the 7th month by the heavenly calendar (August 22) at the Hanam Sports Complex Citizens' Sports Center.

The tournament was held to commemorate the 3rd Anniversary of the Cosmic Seonghwa of Sun Myung Moon, True Parent of Heaven, Earth and Humankind, and to promote peace and harmony among religions. More than 300 team members and cheering squads from the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification, the Taego Order of Korean Buddhism, Korean Chunrigyo, Daejong-gyo and the Korean Church of Jesus Christ and the Latter Day Saints (Mormon Church) participated.

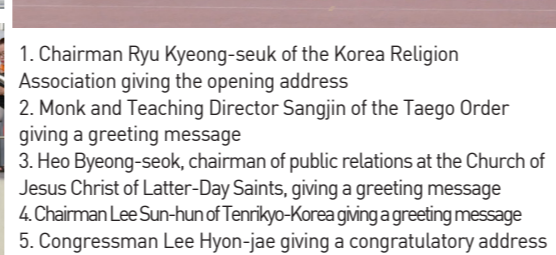
A Step Towards Religious Harmony and Common Prosperity

Rev. Lu Kyeng Seuk, president of FFWPU Korea addressed the participants, saying "Gathering today to sweat and run while playing football together will help us to set a foundation for communication and harmony in the spirit of peace." He continued, "It is our hope that this tournament will help to realize a mature harmony among religions and a world of peace."

Rev. Lu went on to say, "In Korean society, where there is a wide variety of religions, all of the religious groups who have gathered here today are showing an honorable and open-hearted desire to build a spirit of cooperation that will be a valuable step toward the lasting peace and common prosperity of the Korean religious community."

Following that the Venerable Baek-woo, head monk of the Cheongryeon Temple of the Taego Order of Korean Buddhism spoke to those gathered, "This football tournament today supporting harmony and peace is an event of great value. Those of us gathered together here today are from different religions, but through football we can show our love of peace and our pursuit of the precious value of goodness, and remind us that we are all brothers in a global village."

Lee Sun-hun of the Korean Chunri-gyo added, "When we try to impose the unique elements of our religions on others, it leads to discord and clashes, but through dialogue we can communicate



1. Chairman Ryu Kyeong-seuk of the Korea Religion Association giving the opening address
2. Monk and Teaching Director Sangjin of the Taego Order giving a greeting message
3. Heo Byeong-seok, chairman of public relations at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, giving a greeting message
4. Chairman Lee Sun-hun of Tenrikyo-Korea giving a greeting message
5. Congressman Lee Hyon-jae giving a congratulatory address

6. FFWPU team of pastors and Cheongryeon Temple team of monks from the Taego Order playing a match
7. Winning Daejonggyo team taking a commemorative photo
8. Jangnyeon team of the Mormon Church and Cheongryeon Temple team of monks from the Taego Order playing a match
9. FFWPU team of pastors and UPA team of cadets
10. All participating religious leaders and representative players taking a commemorative photo after the opening ceremony

with each other and discover that at the root, we are all one. Today will be a precious opportunity for us to build harmony between our various groups with communication through football." Heo Byeong-seok, head of public relations for the Mormon Church entreated the participants, "Through today's event, let us deepen the love and understanding among our neighbor religions and form a network for peace." Representing Daejong-gyo, Won Young-jin read a greeting from Lee Chang-gu, Team Leader for North South exchange and cooperation shared, "Our beautiful society is created through deep faith and trust between religious people. Let us share this day together."

Korean National Assembly member Lee Hyun-jae offered his thoughts, "In a country like Korea, with a wide variety of religions, we need to have ways to help to solve conflict between religions. I believe that this gathering today of representatives from our leading religious organizations holds great meaning for furthering a system of cooperation between religions here in Korea." Lee Kyo-beom, Hanam city mayor added, "I am very proud that you have chosen to hold this tournament here in Hanam city, and I would like to extend my support and appreciation to FFWPU and all the religious groups who are participating here today."

A Festival for Multi-Religious and Multicultural Exchange through Sports

The participation of the Sunchang-gun Council of Religious Persons from North Jeolla Province brought enthusiasm to the event. The Sunchang Federation includes members from the Buddhist, Confucian, Catholic, Won Buddhist, Family Federation and other faiths, and is active in working on interdenominational dialog and other work supporting the development of local communities.

Gang Byeong-mun of the Sunchang Confucian School added his thoughts, "If organizations like the Sunchang Council of Religious Persons can be formed in the various areas of Korea, we can create a society that is without discord between religions to leave to our descendents. It is my hope that, by using this round ball, today's events will be a precious experience in building mutual understanding of peace and harmony."

The religious leaders and clergy on the eight teams competed in a single elimination tournament to chose the tournament winner. In the preliminary round, Cheongryeon Temple of the Taego Order faced the FFWPU Pastors in the opening game, with additional bouts between the Mormon Church senior team playing against the Sunchang Council of Religious Persons, the Korean Chunrigyo team meeting the Mormon Church youth team, while the Daejong-gyo team played the FFWPU Universal Peace Academy team.

In the spirited friendly tournament, the Daejong-gyo defeated the Mormon Church youth team in the champion match, while the Sunchang Council of Religious Persons team defeated the FFWPU Pastors' team in the match for 3rd and 4th place to take 3rd place.

Kwang In-jin, who served as the secretary general for the event announced, "Starting with this Friendly Football Tournament for Religious Leaders, we plan to develop a larger festival including not only sports but also music, dance, and food to share multi-religious and multicultural understanding and harmony."

FFWPU, now marking its 50th anniversary, has already hosted a variety of events with the goal of building peace and harmony, including the religious harmony cultural festivals, sports festivals, visits and exchanges of religious groups, holy land pilgrimages, academic seminars, reunification activities, overseas volunteer service activities and other activities to promote religious peace and harmony.

<Report supplied by South Korean Religious Federation>

The Third Anniversary of the Universal Seonghwa Overflows with Heavenly Fortune and the Grace of the Marriage Blessing

Number of Couples Participating in Marriage Blessing Ceremonies held by FFWPU-Korea during the First Half of 2015 reaches 4,000



Korea, the fatherland of our faith, is filled with the grace of the Blessing and heavenly fortune on the occasion of the third anniversary of the Universal Seonghwa of Rev. Sun Myung Moon, the True Parent of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind. From the 6th day to the 13th day of the 7th month by the heavenly calendar (August 19-26), marriage Blessing ceremonies were held by 15 churches around the nation: the Headquarters Church, and the churches in Seoul Western District, Seoul Southern District, North Gyeonggi District, Chungbuk, Chungnam, Daejeon, Daegu, Gangwon, Incheon, Jeonnam, Haeyang, Ulsan, and Jeju districts. After conducting these marriage Blessings, the number of couples blessed by FFWPU-Korea during the first half of 2015 reached 4,000.

Taking part in the Marriage Blessing is the greatest honor in life

The "2016 Cosmic Blessing Ceremony by the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind (hereafter Blessing Ceremony)" was held on the 9th day of the 7th month by the heavenly calendar (August 22). 300 couples, including already married couples and singles Blessing participants, were blessed in this ceremony officiated on behalf of True Parents by the president of FFWPU-Korea, Rev. Lu Kyeng-Seuk, and his wife. The ceremony was held on the third floor of Cheon Bok Gung Seoul district headquarters church, and it was co-hosted by the Seoul Western and Southern Districts. In his address, Rev. Lu explained, "Through the grace of Jesus Christ who resurrected after His Crucifixion, Christians have been able to receive spiritual salvation. However, those who receive the Blessing through True Parents can eradicate their original sin, change their lineage, and receive complete salvation." Additionally, Rev. Lu implored, "I ask all of you who are taking part in this ceremony to practice the traditions of True Parents and live a life that can serve as a model for future generations."

Gong Jung-jong, who attended the Blessing ceremony with his wife Lee Jae-geum said, "I honestly think that being part of a Blessing ceremony is the greatest honor anyone can receive in his life. I agree with Rev. Lu, who said that we cannot resolve the fundamental problems that plague our society without establishing a family-centered value system."

The Blessing ceremony for already married couples held in Daejeon District on the 9th day of the 7th month by the heavenly calendar (August 22) was attended by 125 already married couples and singles Blessing participants. Under the leadership of its district pastor, Rev. Lee Seung-il, each of the churches in Daejeon District held gatherings two to three times to explain the Blessing ceremony to people. Thanks to the hard-working Daejeon District members who also held marriage Blessing ceremonies in the Nonsan and Geumsan churches, the total number of couples blessed in the district reached 222. What is especially noteworthy was that members of the clergy representing FFWPU,

Christianity, Buddhism, and Taoism came together to convey their blessing for the ceremony, performing a water-mixing ceremony to demonstrate their support for religious harmony.

A blessing ceremony for already married couples with the desire to inherit heavenly fortune was held in Jeonnam District on the 7th day of the 7th month by the heavenly calendar (August 20). Over 110 couples joined in the ceremony, which was officiated by the Jeonnam District leader, Rev. Song Jeong-seob and his wife, in a wedding hall located in Damyang. In his congratulatory remarks, the Honorable Park Cheol-hong, a member of the Jeonnam provincial assembly said, "Through the international marriage Blessing, Rev. Sun Myung Moon lit the lamp of hope that brings light to multi-cultural societies." He then asked the participants to "Hold dear to the precious grace bestowed on you through this Blessing ceremony."

Jeong Jae-hun and his wife Gang Suk-hee in the Haeyang District Complete the Blessing of 430 couples

Following the devastation brought to parts of the country by typhoon Goni, a marriage Blessing ceremony for already married couples was held in Yeosu under a bright cloudless sky on the 13th day of the 7th month by the heavenly calendar (August 26). The ceremony took place in the Grand Ballroom of The Ocean Resort Hotel in Yeosu and officiated by the FFWPU Korea president Lu Kyeng-Seuk and his wife. Participating in the Blessing were 227 already married and singles Blessing participants who sought to be reborn through true love, true life, and true lineage.

With the completion of this Blessing ceremony, Jeong Jae-hun and his wife Gang Suk-hee from the Haeyang District (an already married couple from the 6000 Couples Blessing) completed their mission of blessing 430 couples. Mr. Jeong and his wife had made a solemn resolution in June to complete their mission as heavenly tribal messiahs – a mission given to us by True Mother. Since then, they have spent forty days visiting each house in their community and the village community centers, explaining the marriage Blessing to people.

On the 6th day of the 7th month by the heavenly calendar (August 19), a marriage Blessing ceremony was held in the North Gyeonggi District. One hundred twenty already married and singles Blessing candidates took part in the ceremony, which took place in the Yang-gu KCP Hotel in Gangwon-do province, with over 200 guests attending. North Gyeong-gi district leader, Rev. Hwang Bo-gun said, "The family is a place for education, and it is a place where the character is shaped. We should remember that it is our role and mission to create healthy families for the future of our nation." After the ceremony was finished, the couples visited an underground tunnel dug by North Korea, following which they offered to Heaven their prayers of sincere hope for the reunification of Korea.

1. Chairman Ryu Kyeong-seuk and his wife leading the affirmation of vows
 2. An interreligious meeting conducted during the Daejeon District Church Blessing Ceremony
 3. Group photo taken after the Maritime District Church Blessing Ceremony
 4. A complete view of the Blessing Ceremony conducted in Cheon Bok Gung Church
 5. Incheon District Church Blessing participants making the resolution to practice true love



Universal Seonghwa 3rd Anniversary Project: Active Global Response to Climate Change Needed



1. Cha Jun-yeong, president of Segye Times, giving the opening address
2. Yang Su-gil, former chairman of Green Growth Committee, giving the keynote address
3. Minister of Environment Yun Seong-gyu giving a congratulatory address

4. Experts from various circles and prominent guests are taking a commemorative photo
5. A panorama of the 2015 World Climate and Environment Forum

The 2015 World Climate and Environmental Forum was hosted by the Segye Times on the 14th day of the 7th month by the heavenly calendar (August 27) at 3:00 with over 300 in attendance, including Korean Minister of the Environment Yoon Seong-kyu, Segye Times Chairman Kim Min-ha, Segye Times President Cha Jun-yeong, Yang Su-gil, former head of the presidential advisory body Green Growth Korea, Kwon Won-tae, Chairman of the Korean Society of Climate Change Research, Kim Dae-gyeong (57), specialist from the Korea Smart Grid Institute, FFWPU Korea Vice President Lee Hyun-young, Seoul National University Professor Yoon Soon-jin, Korea University Professor Cho Yong-seong and many other distinguished scholars from Korea and abroad.

The forum, held to mark the 3rd Anniversary of the Universal Seonghwa of Segye Times Founder Sun Myung Moon, True Parent of Heaven, Earth and Humankind, sought to discuss the threat to the sustainability of the earth community resulting from climate and environmental changes due to humankind's indiscriminate resource development and overconsumption of energy, and to exchange ideas and information aimed at finding a solution to these problems.

Climate and Environmental Change and Sustainability: Assessment and Solutions

In his opening address, Segye Times President Cha Jun-yeong pointed out, "We can already feel the effects of global warming and ecosystem changes due to the discharge of greenhouse gases. The problems of determining the extent of climate and environmental change and how to handle them are not something that can be addressed by a few agencies or countries alone; rather they are part of an agenda that requires a global response." He continued by expressing the goals of the forum, "I hope that this forum will help us all to become aware of the severity the problem of climate and environmental change."

In his congratulatory address, Minister of the Environment Yoon Seong-kyu warned, "We have heard that the wild bee population in Europe and North America and the salmon in the Columbia River valley which cannot adjust to temperature changes are facing the possibility of extinction. In is not possible for humankind to flourish under conditions that threaten to bring extinction to polar bears, bees and salmon."

He continued, "The world's religious leaders also have urged the adoption of ethical practices to address climate change. It is my

hope that in today's forum a realistic assessment regarding climate change can be made, and on that foundation each person here can participate in the solution by making the climate change problem an issue in their personal life."

In his keynote address entitled, 'Climate and Environmental Change and Sustainability: Assessment and Solutions', Yang Su-gil of Green Growth Korea said, "We must establish a framework of rational analysis and open discussion regarding the topic of the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and here in Korea, we must take on a leading role in developing a cooperative plan for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions." He continued, "In order to do this we must set up an emissions target, and establish a strategy for reaching that target by studying past patterns and predicting future emission levels."

Gathering Knowledge to Confront the Environmental Threat to Humanity

In his presentation on 'The Future of the Earth through Climate and Environmental Science', Kwon Won-tae, of the Korean Society of Climate Change Research analyzed the approaching climate change and its effects, saying "If we look at the UN's Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)'s report regarding an examination of the causes of climate change, their analysis shows that manmade influences are the chief cause of the global warming that has been observed since the middle of the 20th century." The following presentation, by Kim Dae-gyeong of the Korea Smart Grid Institute, entitled, 'A Revolution in Energy Efficiency Through the Use of ICT technology' revealed, "in the past, the only way to increase energy efficiency was to update equipment, but now, through the development of Information and Communication Technology we have unlimited possibilities for energy efficiency through the use of a 'smart grid'." A smart grid is new strategy for maximizing energy efficiency which assimilates communication technology and the electrical grid to exchange information between energy providers and consumers in real time. The forum was conducted by Ahn Byeong-ok, of the Institute for Climate Change Action, and after the presentations were completed, Professor Yoon Soon-jin of Seoul National University's Graduate school of the Environment and Professor Cho Yong-seong of Korea University's Food Economics Department led discussions on the topics presented. 🌐

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FFWPU and CARP-Korea cosponsor 1st Kijeok Sori Music Festival

In commemoration of the Third Universal Seonghwa Memorial, inheriting True Parents' shimjeong and the practical filial life of Hyo Jin Nim



1. First prize and popularity prize winner Cheongshim Band giving a performance
2. Chairman Ryu Kyeong-seuk of FFWPU-Korea giving the congratulatory address
3. Chairman Kwon In-seong of World CARP giving words of encouragement
4. Chairman Moon Sang-pil of CARP-Korea giving a welcoming address
5. A scene of a performance given by the runner-up 1/N band of CARP - Gangwon branch
6. The audience at the First Miracle Sound Music Festival
7. Group photo taken after the music festival

The “1st Kijeok Sori Music Festival”, which is a Woori Nore (songs for seonghwa students) writing competition commemorating the Third Universal Seonghwa Memorial, was held on 7.9 by the heavenly calendar (August 22), cosponsored by the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification (FFWPU) and Collegiate Association for the Research of the Principle (CARP) Korea. 10 teams made it to the finals, and the over 300 people, including leaders of FFWPU and CARP-Korea, church members, and CARP members, attended the event which was held in the CARP-Korea Center in Cheongpa-dong, Yongsan-gu.

This day's event was organized for the development of a new cultural content which would be in tune with the practical Cheon Il Guk Era, allowing us to inherit True Parents' shimjeong (heart) and the practical filial life of Hyo Jin Nim. Yeon Ah Moon, the world president of Women's Federation for World Peace, Hoon Sook Moon, the general director of Universal Cultural Foundation, Kyeong Seuk Ryu, the president of FFWPU-Korea, In Seong Kwon, the president of World CARP, Pyeong Rae Moon, the president of Martial Arts Federation for World Peace, Sang Pil Moon, the president of CARP-Korea, and Hyeon Yeong Lee, the vice president of FFWPU-Korea graced this event with their presence.

Cultural sharing festival centered on shimjeong culture

After emphasizing in his congratulatory speech that “now is a time of cultural revolution, and we must continuously develop the tradition of shimjeong culture that has started from True Parents,” President Kyeong Seuk Ryu said he “wishes that this becomes a cultural, sharing festival in which we can think about True Parents' shimjeong and find our true selves through the songs that the participating teams prepared.”

He also said, “I hope this event is does not end as just a small activity held by CARP, but that in the distant future, it will be recorded as a meaningful event in the history of the development of the shimjeong culture, and that we can enjoy this harmonious time feeling the warm helping hands of True Parents who are here together with us.”

President In Seong Kwon of World CARP said in his encouraging remarks, “CARP is a great hope to the Unification movement. I hope you can feel that all of this is for the

sake of True Parents, and you can become people who foster the foundation of a creative shimjeong culture.”

In his welcoming address, President Sang Pil Moon of CARP-Korea said “True Father spread the hope of a new era by writing and composing holy songs himself. I hope the songs we sing and shout become the driving force to create miracles, and that for the youth and students that stand before God's Will, this becomes a time to make a determination for a new start towards the victory of Vision 2020.”

Providential organizations such as WFWP, YFWP, Universal Cultural Foundation, Tongil Group, Ilhwa, Yongpyeong Resort, CheongShim, MK Entertainment, and Aewon supported this event. President Sang Pil Moon of CARP-Korea, Professor Sakada, Yeon Ok Lee, who is the conductor of the praise choir of Cheon Bok Gung church, president Hyeong Suk Choi of MK Entertainment, who is also the chairman of the Hyo Jin Moon Music Festival preparatory committee, Songpa church leader Rev. Sang Jin Oh, and In Guk Seo, secretary general of North America headquarters, were some of the judges.

“清心 (Cheongshim)” by Cheongshim Band receives honorable 1st prize, distribution of the sound sources of the presented songs is to be expected

The event consisted of part 1 and part 2, in which the 10 teams that passed the preliminaries performed their songs, and each part was followed by congratulatory performances and evaluation. “Blessings” by PURE (Habcheon Church), “Song that contains our Shimjeong” by Tae Woo Ha and one other, “Now I will Laugh Loudly” by Ki Won Jeon, “Eternal Faith” by Cheong Bok Gung Youth and Students Praise Team, and “Our House” by One Nth (Kangwon CARP) were the songs passionately performed in part 1. During the evaluation, Sun Moon University Jaeseng club performed “Tongil March” and “Kijeok Sori” as congratulatory songs.

In the evaluation of part 1, Professor Sakata encouraged the participating teams

by commenting, “The power of sound is a great gift from God. When true love is expressed and sympathized, it creates energy to move. The teams that went up on stage lack professional skills, but they have love towards Heavenly Parents and True Parents and a longing for Hyo Hin Nim, and this moves people's hearts.”

Part 2 of the contest consisted of “Looking for Time” by True Sounds of Heaven Praise Choir from Ulsan Church, “Only True Parents” by Ko Family, “Shimjeong Relationships” by Heung So Ki, “清心 (Cheongshim)” by Cheongshim Band, and “We are a Happy World” by Hwi Band. After the contest, the culture team of the Chung An student council performed congratulatory songs.

Rev. Sang Jin Oh, church leader of Songpa Church said, “I hope that this contest will be held continuously, and that not only it will help inherit the tradition of the shimjeong culture, but also that it can become a new shimjeong culture that can guide the culture of today. I look forward to the day that we will have many cultural contents established upon the foundation of shimjeong culture that Hyo Jin Nim pioneered, that will testify True Parents.” He then commented on each of the performances in part 2.

After intense competition, the “1st Kijeok Sori Music Festival” 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prize performances were “清心 (Cheongshim)” by Cheongshim Band, “Our House” by One Nth, and “Only True Parents” by Ko Family. All the other teams received an award of encouragement. Cheongshim Band, who came in 1st place, received a prize and award money from Yeon Ah Moon, world president of WFWP, and they also received the Popularity Award.

“清心 (Cheongshim)” by Cheongshim Band is a creative song which longs for that day when everyone can feel true love by understanding our mission and helping each other. CARP-Korea is planning to not only make and distribute the sound sources of all the songs that the 10 teams performed on this day, but also include these songs in the “Woori Nore Book” which will be newly revised. 🙏

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