

Facts

**behind the
change of leaders
of the
Unification Church in the United States**

**and
Hyun Jin Moon's
removal from his public positions.**

By Blessed Central Families for Truth and Transparency

The Unification Church is going through unprecedented problems. Recent events in Brazil made the world wide membership aware of a serious struggle going on in the leadership of the movement.

Hyun Jin Moon and the members around him have been identified by church authorities as the culprits or cause of the problems.

The resources and authority of the church have been mobilized to denounce him. He has been alienated from the rest of the True Family and prohibited from publicly speaking anywhere in the world.

As with any controversy, there is more than one side to the story as well as many points from which to begin the narrative of the issues, but for simplicity sake let's begin with a major change which occurred on July 29, 2008.

In 2008 Hyun Jin Nim had led the first of a series of Global Peace Festivals. The initial event in Paraguay was an overwhelming success. As his attention was focused on the upcoming festivals around the world, changes were being made in the United States.

Change in Leadership

On July 29, 2008 the leadership of the Unification Church in the United States underwent a notable change.

Up until that time Hyun Jin Nim had been carrying out the responsibilities of leader for the church and business activities of North and South America.

On July 29, 2008 a memo by Hyung Jin Nim was issued from the International Headquarters in Korea appointing In Jin Nim as Chairperson of the Unification Movement in America.

The use of the terms “Unification Movement” in an official document was curious since there is no such organization or legal entity. It could be descriptive of everything related to our movement in America. The use of it leaves room for misinterpretation.



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Ref. No. FFWPUI 2008-20

To : Regional presidents, National messiahs, National leaders

CC : Heads of All Providential Organizations Worldwide

From : FFWPU International Headquarters

Date : July 29, 2008

Re. : Announcement of Special Appointment

We pray for God and True Parents' blessing and love to be with all regions, nations and providential organizations as we enter the era of "Mansei for the *Ssang Hab* (combined) jubilee years, the 7th and 8th years of Cheon Il Guk based on the Universal Peace Federation."

This is to announce the appointment of the Chairperson of the Unification Movement in America according to True Parents instructions given on July 29, 2008.

1. New Appointment

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Location	Name	Details	Effective as of
FFWPU International	In Jin MOON	Appointed as Chairperson of the Unification Movement in America	2008.07.29

Hyung Jin Moon

International President



The news of the appointment was a surprise to Hyun Jin Nim who had not been advised or consulted previous to the change. He, nevertheless, accepted it as having the approval and blessing of True Parents.

Three weeks later In Jin Nim convened a meeting of the US HSA-UWC board to effect changes. The meeting announcement was sent at 11:00 p.m. August 21, 2008 for a meeting at 7:00 a.m. the next morning.

Board meeting protocol requires that notice be sent to all member at least 48 hours in advance. Standard meeting scheduling policy was not followed. The short notice was unusual and foreshadowed drastic action. Most of the existing board members were asked to resign and new members were appointed.

**Resignation was requested
from:**

Pyung Hwa Kim - Chairman
Mrs. Julia J.H. Kim
Rev. Michael Jenkins
Dr. Tyler Hendricks
Bishop Ki Hoon Kim
Mr. Jin Man Kwak
Rev. Phillip Shanker
Dr. Hugh Spurgin

**New directors appointed
were:**

Mrs. Tatiana In Jin Moon -
Chairman
Mr. James Park
Mrs. Sheri Rueter
Mrs. Christine Froelich
Mrs. Josie Hauer
Rev. Joshua Cotter

From: Kaye Allen [REDACTED]

Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2008 11:11 PM

[REDACTED]

Subject: FW: Board of Director Changes

Dear Directors,

The conference call number is [REDACTED]

I'm sorry for the change of plan. In order to accomplish the appointment of Mrs Tatiana In In Moon Park

as chairman of the Board of Directors the following is now the agenda:

Appointment of Mrs.Tatiana In Jin Moon Park as a Director.

Resignation of Dr Pyung Hwa Kim as Chairman of the Board

Selection of Mrs. Tatiana In Jin Moon Park as Chairman of the Board

The appointment of the following new Directors:

Mr. James Park
Mrs. Sheri Rueter
Mrs. Christine Froelich
Mrs Josie Hauer
Rev Joshua Cotter

The resignation of the following from their position as Directors:

Mrs. Julia J. H. Kim
Rev. Michael Jenkins
Dr Tyler Hendricks
Bishop Ki Hoon Kim
Mr. Jin Man Kwak
Rev. Phillip Schanker
Dr Hugh Spurgin

Yours Sincerely,
Kaye Allen,
Corporate Secretary

Two days later, August 23, 2008, True Father was advised of the board changes and he demanded the original board be reinstated.

With this it became apparent that True Father's permission was not sought in advance when the changes were made. In a show of compliance to Father's direction the board was partially reconstituted. Five of the eight original members were reinstated.

Reinstated individuals included:

Dr. Pyung Hwa Kim
Rev. Michael Jenkins,
Dr. Tyler Hendricks,
Mr. Jin Man Kwak,
Dr. Hugh Spurgin

The reinstatement excluded:

Mrs. Julia Kim,
Bishop Ki Hoon Kim,
Mr. Phillip Schanker

At the same time four out of the six board members appointed by In Jin Nim were kept on the board.

These included:

Mrs. Tatiana In Jin Park Moon
Mr. James Park
Mrs. Sheri Reuter
Joshua Cotter

The composition of the new board decisively changed the balance of the HSA-UWC governing board . With six votes constituting a majority vote, the four new members plus two would control the policy of the American Church.

These changes signaled a move to secure authority under the new leadership of HSA-UWC.

The appointment of In Jin Nim and the board changes caused some confusion among the general US leadership as to how the responsibilities were to be divided between Hyun Jin Nim and In Jin Nim.

New Board

Mrs. Tatiana In Jin Park
Moon

Mr. James Park

Dr. PyungHwa Kim

Mrs. Sheri Reuter

Rev. Joshua Cotter

Rev. Michael Jenkins,

Dr. Tyler Hendricks,

Mr. Jin Man Kwak,

Dr. Hugh Spurgin

Dr. Neil Salonen

Mr. Farley Jones

True Father's Clarification

Rev. Pyung Hwa Kim and Mrs. Kim visited True Father in Alaska. They requested clarification from him regarding the appointment of In Jin Nim in America and what Hyun Jin Nim's role should be.

True Father explained that In Jin Nim was sent to America as a "Chook Sa Jang", which is a pastor or church leader. She was not appointed as the Chairperson of the American church.

Father instructed Reverend Kim's to guide her under Hyun Jin Nim's supervision. True Father's direction was recorded and the audio recording was presented to In Jin Nim. She disregarded the recording.

Hyun Jin Nim Seeks clarification from Father

Hyun Jin Nim decided to seek clarification directly from True Father. On September 14, 2008 Hyun Jin Nim asked True Father about the board changes.

Father scolded Hyun Jin Nim because he thought the changes to the board were made by Hyun Jin Nim. He demanded the board be restored to its original composition.

True Father also reiterated the direction that North and South America were under Hyun Jin Nim's supervision and that Hyun Jin Nim was definitely responsible for all United States activities

Hyun Jin Nim conveyed Father's direction to In Jin Nim about her role as well as Father's direction to restore the original board, but received no response from her. (09/23/08 – 09/25/08)

On September 30, 2008, as a response to Hyun Jin Nim's communication to In Jin Nim, a memo was sent out from International Headquarters stating that all FFWPU board appointments and dismissals in each region and mission country must receive approval from the International President, Hyung Jin Nim.

This represented a benchmark change in our movement's policies for leadership selection because it moved the final authority from Father's spoken word to Hyung Jin Nim "official" memos.

It was also noteworthy because Father's direction now had to go through the channel and filter of the International Headquarters.



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Ref. No. FFWPUI 2008-30

To : Regional presidents, National messiahs, National leaders

From : FFWPU International Headquarters

Date : September 30, 2008

Re. : Appointment and Dismissal of Executives on the FFWPU Board of Directors in Each Mission Nation

We pray for God and True Parents' blessing and love to be with all regions, nations and providential organizations as we enter the era of "Mansei for the *Ssang Hab* (combined) jubilee years, the 7th and 8th years of Cheon Il Guk based on the Universal Peace Federation."

This is to announce that the appointment and dismissal of executives of the FFWPU board of directors in each region and mission nation must receive approval from the International President.

Hyung Jin Moon

International President



Three Coronation Ceremonies were held beginning January 15, 2009. The ceremonies were to crown God, however because Hyung Jin Nim participated in them, many interpreted this to mean that he himself was being crowned and granted special authority.

In early February soon after the Coronation Ceremonies Father directed Hyun Jin Nim to commence a world speaking tour.

These ongoing series of events resulted in a disturbing confusion as to who is really in charge. Contradictory messages continued to surface. In February of 2009 True Father strongly emphasized Hyun Jin Nim's role in the Americas. *(See video from Hoon Dok Hae Feb. 20th and 21st - Peace TV HDH recording - ipeacetv.com)*

On February 22, 2009 True Father met with leaders at the Central City facility in Seoul, Korea. He repeatedly emphasized the role of Hyun Jin Nim in the Americas and once again clarified the role of In Jin Nim as a Chook Sa Jang.

On February 22nd and 23rd - Mr. Dong Moon Joo came to East Garden and conveyed and confirmed True Father's direction on Hyun Jin Nim's continuing responsibility for the Americas.

In spite of direct witnesses to Father's words and direction, no supporting confirmation came from Hyung Jin Nim's office, the International Headquarters of our world wide movement.

Reverend Pyung Hwa Kim wrote the following letter to Peter Kim asking for Father's clarification on the issue:

“America has also been attentive to True Parents words and has been waiting for an official announcement through an international memo or notification regarding True Parents' words. Although there is no objection that True Father's words are effective and carry absolute authority, in order to have a direction of such providential magnitude take effect rapidly it must go through the executive procedures and must be sent out as a public memo.

Hyun Jin Nim heard True Father's words and has been waiting for a week for this direction to be announced through a public memo. However, he can't wait any longer as he has to leave America due to the world tour which begins on the 25th starting with Japan. And because Father repeatedly emphasized the direction in public occasions, Hyun Jin Nim has requested an immediate meeting of the board in America on the afternoon of the 23rd based on True Father's words.

What I want to ask you, advisor Hyo Yul Kim (Peter Kim), is to do a final confirmation of True Father's direction that each of the three True Children are respectively in charge of the three nations, and ask if you could have that content sent out as a public memorandum to all the world by Monday morning through the Mission Foundation.”

On February 23, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. Hyun Jin Nim met with In Jin Nim at the New Yorker Hotel and expressed his support of her ministry and oversight of the Manhattan Center. He then met with her and US leaders later that afternoon at 3:00 p.m. to explain Father's clarification of His and In Jin Nim's role. The next day Hyun Jin Nim asked that a HSAUWC board meeting be held to fulfill Father's direction to restore the original board.

The board meeting did not go well. Kook Jin Nim and Hyung Jin Nim (neither are board members) attended by phone. Kook Jin Nim declared the meeting to be unauthorized. In Jin Nim called for a motion to end the meeting to seek Father's guidance and the motion was passed by a simple majority of one vote, In Jin Nim and the three board members she had appointed plus Michael Jenkins.

Hyun Jin Nim had no intention of removing In Jin Nim from the board, but instead had attempted to restore the rest of the board to its original composition as he had been directed to do so by Father. However the incident was portrayed as an attack on In Jin Nim.

Coincidentally the same day Dr. Seuk responded to Pyung Hwa Kim's request to Peter Kim with an email stating that Kook Jin Nim had advised him that nothing had changed.

From: joon h seuk <j[REDACTED]>
To: 김경화 <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, February 24, 2009 3:42:49 AM
Subject: 김진님 총회장 선거 관련
김경화 회장님

수고 많으십니다.
오늘 구진님께서 인진님 미국총회장 직책은 아무 변동이 없다는 것을
김경화 대국회장께 알려 주라고 하십니다.
아무쪼록 모든 것이 원만히 해결 되기를 바랍니다.

석훈보

From: joon h seuk <j[REDACTED]>
To: Pyung Hwa Kim <[REDACTED]@[REDACTED].com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 24, 2009 3:42:49 AM
Subject: The case of In Jin Nim's position as overall president

President Pyung Hwa Kim,

Thanks for your hard work.

Today Kook Jin Nim asked me to notify you that there is no change in In Jin Nim's position as overall president of America. I hope everything can be resolved well.

Joon Ho Seuk

This position was further supported that day with an official memo from Hyung Jin Nim. The memo presented an organizational chart and directives.

The chart placed Hyun Jin Nim and UPF under Hyung Jin Nim.

The letter also ordered that any event or rally should receive approval from Hyung Jin Nim

If taken literally this would mean that Hyun Jin Nim should get permission from Hyung Jin Nim to hold the GPF rallies which Father had directed him to do.



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To : Regional presidents, National messiahs, National leaders

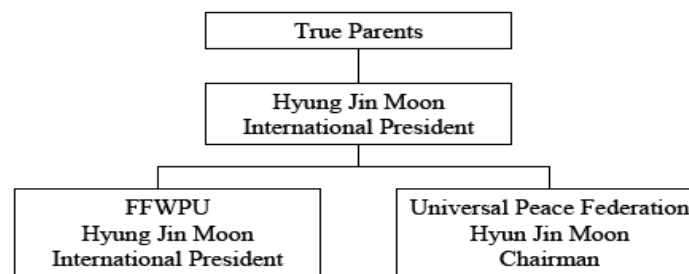
From : FFWPU International Headquarters

Date : February 24, 2009

Re. : True Parents' special instruction regarding the worldwide organizations

May God and True Parents' blessings and love be with brothers and sisters in all regions, mission nations and providential organizations.

This is to clarify the structure of all the worldwide organizations according to True Parents' special instructions given on February 23, 2009.



- ※ All organizations will be overseen by Hyung Jin Moon, the International President, who will act under True Parents' directions. Furthermore, all church-related organizations, such as HSA-UWC and FFWPU will be placed under the oversight of International President Hyung Jin Moon while the Universal Peace Federation will be placed under the oversight of Chairman Hyun Jin Moon.
- ※ Any leader who wishes to hold an event or rally in a nation outside his region should first report and receive approval from FFWPU International.

Hyung Jin Moon
International President



Pyung Hwa Kim attempted to report the board issue to Father in these letters

Dear True Parents,

Upholding True Parents' direction, Hyun Jin Nim was set to go on a world speaking tour for a long period of time starting from a tour of Japan on February 27th until mid- May. However, before that, as the person responsible for the overall providence of America, he wanted to finalize some official procedures that required immediate attention. The most important task among those is having the board meeting. This was also a means to restore Ki Hoon Kim, Jung Hae Park, and Phillip Schanker to their original position in the board as Father had directed to do. Through the board meeting In Jin Nim would stay as a board member while Hyun Jin Nim would be the chairman of the board; this way Hyun Jin Nim would have set things up to effectively do his public mission as the actual responsible leader for America as he was getting ready to leave on his tour for 3 months.

Dear True Parents,

I am very sorry, but I have to report the real situation to you. The American leadership should be uniting to overcome this difficult period, but they have suddenly all fallen into confusion. The Korean Mission Foundation claims that In Jin Nim who is following the direction of Hyung Jin Nim is responsible for the church in America; while in America, according to the content of Father's recent words, it is being said that Hyun Jin Nim is in charge of the church and responsible for the Unification movement as a whole.

Soon after one of the original board members sent an e-mail to Hyun Jin Nim voicing his concerns about the new order in the management of the American movement. *(Names withheld to protect sender)*

From: ...

Sent: Monday, March 02, 2009 1:33 PM

To: ...

Subject: information & a question

At your convenience, please convey the following information to Hyun Jin Nim, who apparently does not know about the role his brother has been playing in determining the leadership of the American church. My analysis is that a major reason for Hyun Jin Nim's current predicament and for the current conflict over the membership of the HSA Board is that Kook Jin Nim claims to be the vice-chairman of the International Department of the church, and he is using that position and even more importantly his relationship with Hyung Jin Nim to claim to be HJN's boss (superior), to arrange for his younger brother to sign directives on behalf of the International church, and to determine the leadership of the American church movement. Kook Jin Nim is using his international position to influence the decision as to who is the leader of our American church.

Board member letter continued

At the HSA Board meeting in New York City on September 4, 2008, which was held at the New Yorker Hotel, Kook Jin Nim sat at the head of the table and lead the entire HSA Board meeting (even though he is not a member of the Board), and he spoke for nearly two hours in support of the chairmanship of In Jin Nim and constantly invoke the authority of Hyung Jin Nim and of the International church to decide who is the leader in America.

Previously In Jin Nim had been embarrassed by what happened on August 22 in which 6 members were kicked off the Board of HSA and 6 new people put on the Board, especially the fact that Father put Mike Jenkins, Tyler Hendricks and Hugh Spurgin back on the HSA Board and removed 2 of the 6 people that In Jin Nim had appointed. In addition to being at the HSA Board meeting on September 4, 2008 in order to provide support for In Jin Nim, Kook Jin Nim actually lead the entire meeting and was clearly using his position as the second most important international leader to support the chairmanship of his sister.

This communication brought up some critical issues.

- Is Kook Jin Nim the “Vice-Chair” of the entire International Church as he claims to be?
- Does he have the power to determine who is the leader of our church and movement in America, as he claims?
- Does he have the right to control who becomes the leader of the American movement?
- Had the International Headquarters gained the right to make sweeping changes without Father’s express approval in advance?

These behind the scenes dynamics reveal that a fundamental shift had occurred in the way we manage our movement.

Hyun Jin Nim continued the GPF tour which Father had instructed him to carry out. He tried to communicate with True Father many times but was not successful in reaching him.

He then spoke with Peter Kim to find out what had been reported to True Parents. Peter Kim said he reported to the Korea Foundation (under Kook Jin Nim) first and then reported to True Parents that Hyun Jin Nim was trying to change (*not restore, according to Father's direction*) the Board members in the US.

When Hyun Jin Nim finally reached True Father, Father was very upset by the reports he had received. He didn't listen to Hyun Jin Nim or Rev. Kim. By this time his mind was set on believing that Hyun Jin Nim created the scandal to kick his sister out.

Hyun Jin Nim had started the Global Peace Tour from Japan, but stopped in Taiwan because of Father's urgent call to come to Sokcho.

At Sokcho an extensive message from the Spirit World was read, explaining that heaven was anointing Hyung Jin Nim (the younger brother) as the leader of the movement.

The message was later found to have been fabricated in order to persuade True Father to make that proclamation. However at that point the announcement had been made and was not retracted.

Father, based on the message from Spirit World and the reports he had received on Hyun Jin Nim trying to change the HSA board without his permission suspended Hyun Jin Nim for one year from his public positions.

The “Spirit World Message” presented to Father is a detailed plan for the management of our world wide church and assets. It divides responsibilities among the True Children.

It also states that everyone, including the True Children, must connect to True Parents through the youngest brother, - Hyung Jin Nim.

Kook Jin Nim is set up as the head and auditor of all world wide businesses. This would place the assets of the entire movement under his control.

The plan is comprehensive and represents someone’s idea as to how it should all work. Why and with what motivation it was presented as a message from the Spirit World has not been publicly explained, but it is clear that the introduction of the message as being from Spirit World was to elicit True Father’s approval and lock in the new order as from Heaven and therefore irrefutable.

The incident at Sokcho has been used as the basis for attacking Hyun Jin Nim throughout 2009 and 2010. His “disobedience” is not surrendering everything under his control to his siblings. The accusation that he attempted a *coup d'état* at HSAUWC draws attention from the actual *coup d'état* that took place when HSAUWC and the responsibility for the US movement were taken from him by political maneuvers. Later in 2009 he was accused of trying to take over UCI, when in fact he already was responsible for and in control of UCI. He was instead trying to prevent a take over of UCI board by his siblings and their representatives.

International Headquarters uses its’ official declarations with impunity to force compliance with their plans. Father’s name is invoked to prevent any questioning of their actions. The plans seem to include removing Hyun Jin Nim from the picture. Although they often point to Hyun Jin Nim’s relationship with Father as the problem, in all actuality the move to remove him began long before the Sokcho incident.

This is just the tip of the iceberg. Conscientious members should at least give Hyun Jin Nim the benefit of the doubt and be open to hearing the other side of these and all critical issues.