



Monthly Newsletter

February 2014

President's Corner

Dear Friend,

Having just commemorated Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday in January, and as we are commemorating Black History Month this month, we would like to thank Dr. King for leaving behind a legacy of agape love, of non-violent resistance to injustice and "not returning evil with evil, but responding to evil with goodness." Personally, I have been deeply inspired by Dr. King's message of love: loving the enemy and promoting reconciliation.

Dr. King's way is so much in line with the Women's Federation for World Peace standing motto, "Living by the Logic of Love," which we strive to manifest in all our activities and projects, such as described in the current edition of our e-news:

- through Healing Seminars such as one in New York City
- through education and leadership training (we just concluded a six-week national tele-class on "Lead with Love, Not Fear" for our chairwomen
- through the media, such as the "NOW IS THE TIME" Internet radio program on which I delivered two talks (they will be aired again on Friday, March 14 and March 28 at: raymanningsingers.com).
- through our Haiti Relief Project (June 22-23) through which we continue to serve, educate and empower others in need in Haiti, and more.

Therefore I would like to dedicate this month to the theme of "Love" and to our motto, "Living by the Logic of Love."

Inspired by our Co-Founders Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon and her late husband Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon, "Living by the Logic of Love" is the kind of tradition and lifestyle we would like to model for others and also bequeath to the next generation. Rev. and Dr. Moon in fact just celebrated their birthdays earlier this year, which both fell on February 5 (solar calendar) this year. We congratulate them and thank them for having left behind a legacy of love that inspires millions. (Please read their autobiography, available through our website: www.wfwp.us.)

May we all continue to be agents of love, healing, and service and a spark to ignite others to do the same!

2014 for WFWP USA is also the year of "Show and Tell" and "Sparkle."

Let's be the Spark and the Sparkle!

Warmly,
Angelika Selle



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY WFWP CO-FOUNDERS CELEBRATED THIS YEAR ON FEBRUARY 5, 2014 (SOLAR CALENDAR)

Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon and the late Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon have overcome countless obstacles along the way of leaving behind a legacy of love, as expressed in the paragraph below, an excerpt from one of Dr. Han's public speeches.

Dr. Han has said that her life "resembles the ocean. The ocean is wide enough to embrace the sky, and seems to become one with the sky when reflecting its light. It is the lowest place that receives water from all over the world. The ocean embraces everything and begets all life. The ocean appears to be calm and tranquil, but massive black currents flow and rush thousands of meters deep below the surface. When the raging waves and tsunamis rise, everything becomes swallowed up at once. People cannot see the whirlpools that swirl deep within the sea. This is the way my life has unfolded. Within the providence that rages around me like a typhoon, there have been many unspeakable stories unknown to anyone but me. I have struggled against that whirlpool and brought victory without being swept away. This is how I was able to achieve so much for world peace together with my husband."

Good News for Religious Freedom in Japan!

In 2010 and 2011 WFWP USA was involved intensely in raising awareness of faith-breaking issues in Japan. Members of WFWP who were also members of the Unification

Church had been discriminated against for their faith, and had been detained against their will in secluded apartments for weeks and months and sometimes for years. In the case of women, many were also sexually abused, emotionally abused, and disrespected. Altogether 80 percent of the more than 4,300 Unification Church members who were kidnapped in Japan since 1966 were women.

One of the most extreme cases was that of a young man, Mr. Toru Goto, who has now finally been vindicated.

Mr. Goto, a Unification Church member, was forcibly kidnapped in September 1995 by three of his family members and two professional deprogrammers, Takashi Miyamura and Yasutomo Matsunage, and held for 12 years and 5 months in an unsuccessful attempt to break his faith. He was finally thrown out onto a street in February 2008. He was invited by WFWP to speak at the 2010 WFWP National Assembly in New York, where he addressed human rights and religious freedom issues.

Finally, on January 28, 2014, a Japanese court ruled in favor of Mr. Goto's sixth deposition filed in a civil suit against his captors and deprogrammers. He sued three members of his family and two deprogrammers and was awarded an amount equivalent to about \$47,000. At a press conference after the verdict, Mr. Goto said, "I am pleased by the single point that the culpability of deprogrammer Takashi Miyamura has been recognized."

Unfortunately, the outcome is bittersweet because already in January 2014 there have been two more known cases of religious kidnapping in Japan.

You can read more about the case here:

<http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2014/jan/31/man-wins-landmark-lawsuit-on-religious-oppression/>.

Watch for a more comprehensive article in next month's newsletter.



Mr. Toru Goto in hospital
in February 2008

CALIFORNIA

Honoring Martin Luther King in Song

By Maree Gauper, WFWP Chairwoman, Wheatland, Calif.

If Heaven is like last night, I want to go. If church was always like last night, more people would be in church. The excitement was electric.

It all started when three ladies got together in Wheatland, Calif., and had lunch one Sunday, in November of 2013: a traditional Mormon lady, a progressive Episcopalian, and me, WFWP Wheatland chairwoman and a Unificationist. We were of one mind that we should work together to realize the choir festival idea that had been percolating in my mind for several years.

An interdenominational choral festival in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was held at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in the small town of Wheatland. The inaugural event brought together diverse groups of Christians and Women's Federation for World Peace peacemakers.

In a striking contrast to the traditional-style hymns sung by a massed choir and later by the Wheatland Ward singers, the Mt. Olivet Baptist Church (Olivehurst) rocked the chapel with gospel music, swaying, clapping, and improvising with Pentecostal fervor.

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NEW YORK

Sunday Spa Day Provides Needed Relaxation

WFWP NY had a Spa Sunday Program in the heart of New York City on January 26, 2014. Mrs. Juanita Pierre-Louis, WFWP USA vice president, was the main speaker and spoke on "The Motherhood Initiative." Then Mrs. Uyanga Love inspired and lifted the atmosphere as she shared WFWP Founder Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon's words on "Women Who Will Take the Leading Role in the Ideal World." Mrs. Nandi Moton was the dynamic MC and successfully guided the program.

As Mrs. Pierre-Louis said, "We were inspired to give the ladies a break from their daily routine. We wanted to pamper them and give them some tips on beautifying and strengthening themselves through the Happy Health machine. We want to have a Spa Sunday every month for new and veteran WFWP members, so we can run into the new era joyously with our families."



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USA

"Lead With Love, Not Fear" Tele-Class

By Mrs. Dorothy P. Hill, WFWP Upstate New York Chairwoman

As a way of providing ongoing professional development opportunities to empower the local chapters, WFWP USA recently offered chapter chairwomen a five-week tele-class entitled, "Lead with Love, Not Fear." The developers and facilitators of this course are Mrs. Hilde Reinold Wiemann who is a Certified Life Coach and Family and Relationship Coach, and Mrs. Pamela Stein, former WFWP Las Vegas chairwoman and missionary in Africa. She has also been a massage therapist and wellness coach for over 25 years. Over the years, Hilde and Pam have developed two parenting manuals and their "Core Relationship Wisdom" women's small group manual will be published in June 2014. A reflection on the course follows.

As chairwoman in Upstate New York, I jumped on the opportunity to become part of the "Lead With Love, Not Fear" five-week tele-class series presented by Mrs. Hilde Wiemann and Mrs. Pamela Stein. About 40 WFWP chairladies and interested members participated in the series.

We were introduced to the core teaching of "Real Love," by Dr. Greg Baer, as it applies to us WFWP leaders. We found many points where this content could truly enable us to be more effective, happy, healthy, wholesome leaders of WFWP -- as well as excellent members of our families and communities.

[Read the full article on our website...](#)

WFWP on the Air!

Tune In to Internet Radio, Hear Motherhood Uplifted!



WFWP President Mrs. Angelika Selle was invited to speak on the Internet radio show "Now Is the Time, With Rev. L-ma King & Guest Women, the Peacemakers of the World."

The first segment, entitled, "The Hope for Humanity Comes From Mothers," aired on February 14, 2014. Mrs. Selle spoke eloquently on the role of women as mothers -- not only of their own families but of the community and ultimately the world. She explained the mission, vision, and role of WFWP and why it was founded by the Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon and his wife Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon. She gave insights on how WFWP is educating women about their God-given talents, value, and position in relation to men.

The next segment, "Living by the Logic of Love," will air on Friday, **February 28, 2014 at 8 p.m. (EST)**. Click here: raymanningsingers.com to go to the website to listen either to the archived show or to the actual recording.

Rev. King has decided to air the messages again in March because she feels they are so relevant and powerful and because they have received such good responses from listeners.

The first segment will be rebroadcast on **March 14**, and the second on **March 28**. The show airs from **8 to 8:30 p.m. (EST)**.

The recordings will be available on the WFWP website in late March or early April. The newsletter will carry the link once they are available.

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FLORIDA

Seventh Annual Haiti Summer Service Project

Please join the seventh annual Haiti Service Project. The dates have been set: **June 21-30**. [Click here to see the flier to learn more about how to sign up](#). Mark your calendars!

Let's begin preparations to join the team in Haiti, to provide donations, and to begin prayer support for this vital WFWP project. Please support in whatever way you can!

Donations needed include staple items such as:

- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Seeds, especially tomatoes, peppers, beans

Things needed for the educational seminars include:

- Looseleaf notebook paper
- Pens
- Crayons for small children
- Construction paper
- Bottled water for participants
- Meals for 1,000 participants
- Styrofoam plates and cups
- Plastic forks, spoons, and knives
- Napkins and toilet paper
- Refreshments



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Medical supplies are also needed (more information on this in future newsletters). Personnel needed include midwives and those trained in the Lamaze technique.

[Click here to read the whole story and see pictures...](#)

WFWP UN OFFICE

Commission on the Status Of Women (CSW) 58

The CSW's 58th session opens Monday, March 10, and ends Friday, March 21. For the past 10 years, the WFPW UN Office has hosted a parallel event during the CSW session. This year, the parallel event will be on **Tuesday, March 18, from 2:30-4:00 p.m.**, in the UN Church Center, Hardin Room, across the street from the UN Headquarters. The CSW 58 priority theme is "Challenges and achievements in the implementation of the Millennium Development Goals for women and girls." The theme for the WFPW event is "Stories of Women's Leadership: Achievements and Challenges toward achieving the post 2015 agenda goals." Everyone is invited to attend this parallel event. Attendance at this event does not require either a CSW pass or a UN grounds pass.

According to Mrs. Alexa Ward, deputy director of the WFPW UN Office, "WFPW is organizing a panel around this theme. At this time the panel includes Dr. Arceli Hernando, vice president of Bohol Island University, the Philippines; Dr. Lan Young Moon, president of WFPW International; and Mrs. Sachiko Kimura, project director and overseas volunteer for Zambia, WFPW Japan. The panel will include four speakers."

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NEVADA

Marking 150 Years of Freedom From Slavery

Provided by Mrs. Katherine Duncan, WFPW Las Vegas

This year 2014, the Emancipation Proclamation is 150 years old. Across the country there will be celebrations in commemoration of this historic event. Nevada's role in the Emancipation Proclamation is being taken very seriously. Events are planned around the preservation of the Harrison House where entertainment celebrities like Sammy Davis Junior and Nat King Cole stayed during the era of segregation. [Click here to view the Las Vegas flier](#). The celebration is planned from **March 24-30, 2014**. [Click here to see the press release](#) about the week-long celebratory events planned.

Mrs. Katherine Duncan, founding president of the Las Vegas Ward 5 Chamber of Commerce, who spoke at the 2013 WFPW 21st National Assembly in Maryland, has organized the "**Moulin Rouge Affair**" on **Wednesday March 26, 2014**. There will be a Bridge of Peace Ceremony of Reconciliation and Healing, and WFPW USA President Angelika

Selle will be the keynote speaker. [Click here for the invitation.](#)

For those who are interested, [click here for the schedule of events.](#)

For golf enthusiasts, there will also be a golf tournament. [Click here for the flier.](#)

CANADA WFWP

Keeping One's Promise

By Mrs. Kati Vigh-Brisebois, Former WFWP Chairwoman, Ontario/Vancouver, Canada

Many years ago with the help of our beautiful friends from Bridgeport, Conn., my family and I were able to go to my native land of Transylvania, Romania to begin the Sunshine Farm Project. Mrs. Nora Spurgin, then the president of WFWP USA, wholeheartedly supported this project.

The vision for the Sunshine Farm is to help alleviate the suffering of orphans who face the challenge of living without the love and guidance of their own parents. It is also to bridge the historical animosity between Hungarian, Romanian, and Roma people. Through this project, hope for the present and future is being kindled for a brighter tomorrow.

Looking back at that time, I can't believe the many big and small miracles that took place. For instance Mrs. Karen Smith organized a gathering of United Nations ladies and they donated \$1,000 to help this effort. Eventually the Romania Chapter of UNICEF contributed substantially to our program. Local women's organizations were amazed that we cared enough to launch this project, considering that particularly at that time the Romanian and Hungarian people bristled with animosity toward each other. With our Bridge of Peace signature project, we were able to give substantial hope of reconciliation to those involved.

[Click here to read the entire article on our website...](#)

[Click here to see the brochure on the Sunshine Farm Project.](#)

Change of Leadership in Colorado

This is to announce that, as of January 31, 2014, the chairwoman of the Colorado Chapter, **Mrs. Catherine Ichinohe**, is moving on to take the role of an adviser to the chapter, and her primary focus is shifting to other areas.

We thank her very much for her heart, great efforts, and sincere investment on behalf of WFWP in Colorado for several years. As you may not be aware, she recently survived a severe car accident, and we are grateful her life was preserved!

Stepping forward to assume the leadership in Colorado is **Mrs. Shirley Chimes**, who is full of inspiration and new ideas for WFWP. We thank her for taking on the role of interim chairwoman. Mrs. Chimes will be supported by a wonderful team of dedicated ladies.

We look forward to the continued growth and activities of the Denver chapter of WFWP, and all women in Colorado.

"Clean Slate" Renamed "Love IQ"

For two years, 2011 and 2012, Mrs. Heidi Iseda traveled around the U.S. to WFWP chapters and trained many members using the Clean Slate program she developed, based on the Relationship Intelligence curriculum, to teach purity and abstinence before marriage to America's youth and young adults. She did a mighty work for WFWP and we have all been touched and have benefited from the program she developed and taught. Mrs. Iseda has completed her role with WFWP and is moving into other areas of work.

At this time, Clean Slate has been renamed "Love IQ." It is our honor to announce that Mrs. Caryn Olsson, former Ohio chairwoman, will continue to develop the Love IQ curriculum and with trained and qualified ladies around the country will work to strengthen young people so they will be able to lead creative, constructive lives in their families, society, nation, and

world.

Thank you Caryn for taking up the mantle and carrying on this important cause.

MINNESOTA

Ending the Year with "Undulating"

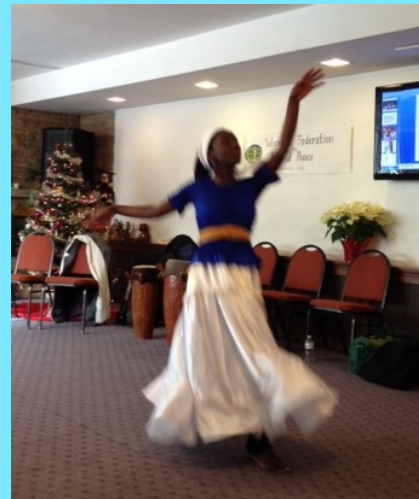
By Jeannette Henry, Minnesota Chairwoman

On December 14, 2013, the Minnesota chapter of WFWP got together for an end-of-the-year celebration. We wanted to recall our activities of 2013 and prepare for 2014, so I presented a PowerPoint of our chapter's activities and programs throughout 2013.

All members and participants watched pictures of themselves during the presentation and reminisced about our activities and their participation in them. We also took the time to reflect and discuss plans for 2014. It was a very productive time to come together and work as a whole group.

At the end of the evening we were entertained by a professional Haitian dancer accompanied by lively traditional drumming. After that, the participants had a wonderful chance to learn the special body moves called "undulating." This connects well with the island mood of fun and relaxation.

[See the article on our website with more photos...](#)



MINNESOTA

Minnesota and Costa Rica -- a Good Pair

By Jeannette Henry, Minnesota Chairwoman

The Minnesota chapter was given a treat when we were introduced to Costa Rican culture through a gathering on October 5, 2013 entitled "Pura Vida" (pure life).

Minnesota and Costa Rica have been paired up to work together through Mrs. Sayuri Seo who worked with WFWP in Minnesota before she and her husband moved to Costa Rica. Costa Rica is widely known for its beauty and has a very pleasant climate. Life is simple and pure there. Mrs. Seo came and spoke to us about the women in Costa Rica and shared highlights of WFWP activities in Costa Rica. She gave a very good overview of the country and in particular explained how crucial it is to improve women's economic and educational status there. She demonstrated how valuable it is for WFWP to be present there, making a difference.

At the end of the program, the participants enjoyed watching one couple dance to Spanish music. After watching, they had a chance to participate by receiving dance lessons from the couple! This created a joyful atmosphere of fun and hope for all in attendance.

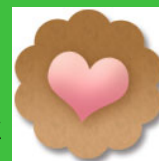
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Editor's Note:

The WFWP newsletter will publish monthly. Please be sure to submit your articles and upcoming events by the 10th of the month. Also, please be sure to include captions for your photos so we know who and what is in the photos. Thank you all for your effort to bring peace through "Living by the Logic of Love"!

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