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## The Sacred Assembly of the Feast of the Unleavened Bread

Nation | Date | April 13, 2006

On April 13th the 15th day of the first month in the sacred calendar the day after the Passover, all the members of the Church of God throughout the world celebrated the Feast of the Unleavened Bread in remembrance of Christ's sacrifice on the cross.



The Feast of the Unleavened Bread is a feast to commemorate the suffering that the Israelites experienced from the time of Exodus after keeping the Passover until they crossed the Red Sea. In the Old Testament times, people commemorated the suffering of their forefathers by eating unleavened bread [bread without yeast] and bitter herbs.

In the New Testament times, Jesus fulfilled the prophecy of the Feast of

the Unleavened Bread by suffering on the cross from 9 am to 3 pm on the day after the Passover and dying for our sins. All the members of the Church of God participate in the suffering of Christ by fasting from the Passover midnight to 3 pm at the Feast of Unleavened Bread, just as it is written: The time will come when the bridegroom will be taken from them, and on that day they will fast (Mk 2:20).

*Mother offered a prayer of thanks to Father who had endured the suffering of the cross to forgive our sins leading to death. She also prayed that we would understand Father's sacrifice, repent of our sins and save many souls with love and sacrifice, preaching the gospel to the whole world and practicing brotherly love into action.*

Chief Pastor Joo-Cheol Kim reminded us that Christ suffered for our sins committed in heaven, and said, We should also endure pain and suffering to save souls and delightfully follow the sacrificial path of Father and Mother, carrying our own crosses. He also emphasized that Christ and the apostles who followed Him focused their minds and hearts on sacrifice, saying, We are



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here today through the sacrifice of Christ. When we sacrifice ourselves according to the example of Christ, we can accomplish the world mission.

The people of Zion kept the Feast of the Unleavened Bread holy by fasting, and they were determined to repay Father and Mother for sacrificing Themselves for our sins, by completing the mission of preaching the good news of salvation to the whole world.



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## All the members of the Church of God over 70 nations Celebrated 2003 Passover of the New Covenant on April 16, 2003

Nation | Date | April 16, 2003

On Wednesday evening, April 16, 2003, Passover the core of the new covenant was celebrated in all the Churches of God over the world, centering the New Jerusalem Temple in Korea. All the members of the Church of God participated in this ceremony in remembrance of Jesus the Passover Lamb.



The Passover is celebrated on January 14 by Israeli calendar, and it's the first and the most important feast in the Bible. Passover means "Disasters pass over." The Passover was a very important feast to Jesus' disciples, for Jesus said: "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer (on the cross)" (Luke 22:15). But this feast disappeared 300 years after Jesus' death. However, the Passover was restored after

1,600 years' abolition and has been celebrated since 1964.

Especially at the New Jerusalem Temple in Korea, not only Korean members but also 10 foreign members participated in the ceremony. The foreign members seemed to be somewhat strained before the awesome ceremony of the Passover. One of the church members from Los Angeles didn't hide his tension, saying, "At last, today we're getting eternal life through Jesus' flesh and blood." It was his second visit to Korea.

Before the Passover Communion, foot-washing ceremony was held. As the spiritual Mother began to wash the members' feet, they were all moved, "I've never dreamed that Mother Herself would wash my feet."

The foot-washing ceremony finished and the Passover Communion worship service began.



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After thanksgiving prayer, all the members ate the bread representing Jesus' flesh and drank the wine Jesus' blood. On this day, Kim Joo-cheol, the General Pastor of the Church of God, preached the teaching of the Bible: "We all men are beings who have been driven out of heaven for our sins (Matthew 9:13; Isaiah 59:2). And only through the precious blood of Christ we can get redemption (Ephesians 1:7; 1 Peter 1:18)."



Participating in Jesus' sufferings through the Feast of Unleavened Bread

The next day, April 17 was the Feast of Unleavened Bread. This feast, called Passion Day, commemorates Jesus' sufferings on the cross. It originated in the Israelites' sufferings at the time of Exodus; they were pursued by Egyptian troops, eating unleavened bread and bitter herbs. All the members of the Church of God in the whole world participated in Jesus' sufferings by fasting a day according to the teaching of the Bible, "when the bridegroom will be taken from them, and on that day they will fast" (Mark 2:18).

During worship service, Kim Joo-cheol the General Pastor said he hoped Christ's great love would be preached to everywhere in the world, explaining the meaning of the feast: "This Feast of Unleavened Bread is a day when we engrave the love and sacrifice of Jesus who carried all the sins of the world."

Meanwhile, during the feasts, special praises by Orchestra, Joint Choir and Quartet were given to God.

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