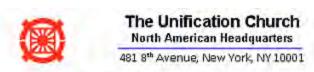
# True Parents' Cosmic Blessing Ceremony in the USA

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To: District Directors, State & Church Leaders, Blessed Central Families

From: National Blessed Family Department

Re: True Parents' Cosmic Blessing Ceremony in the USA

Date: September 22, 2010

True Parents' Cosmic Blessing Ceremony, which is taking place in Asan, Korea on October 10, 2010, at 11:00 AM, will also be broadcast throughout the world by internet. For those interested in participating or inviting guests for the Blessing ceremony in the USA, please be aware of the following:

### 1. Who Should Participate in the Blessing in the USA

- 1. Matched First or Second Generation couples
- 2. Previously married couples
- Blessed Central Families who did not participate in the October 14, 2009 or February 17,
  2010 Blessings

An uplifting local Blessing Ceremony is a wonderful opportunity to educate and inspire clergy, Ambassadors for Peace, previously married couples and guests to understand and experience the vision of our True Parents, and the transformative power of the Blessing.

## 4. Ceremony Schedule

The Blessing ceremony itself will take place on Saturday, October 9th at 10:00 PM EST (NY time), 7:00 PM PST (California time), simultaneously with the ceremony in Korea.

## 5. Main USA National Ceremony- Lovin' Life Learning Center, NY, NY

This Blessing Ceremony will be celebrated on the national level at a special program at the Lovin' Life Learning Center at 4 W. 43rd Street, New York, NY. Couples are welcome from throughout the nation, but

participants must register by October 6th to attend. <u>Couples may not participate in the Blessing without preregistration.</u>

#### 6. <u>Schedule</u>

3:00 PM- Registration opens

3:30 PM- Education for 1st generation and previously married couples

Holy Wine Ceremony

6:00 PM- Celebration Dinner for participants and their guests7:30 PM- Ceremony rehearsal- all participants must attend

8:30 PM- Chapel open for families and guests

9:00 PM- Blessing program begins

10:00 PM- Blessing Ceremony

11:30 PM- Cake-cutting, photos, celebration, etc.

#### 7. Registration

All couples participating in the NY Blessing ceremony must register by October 6, 2010. A celebration dinner is complementary for couples who have paid their Blessing donation. Each couple will receive four additional complimentary dinner tickets for their guests. More tickets can be purchased for your guests at a cost of \$25 each, but must be reserved when you register.

To register, go to http://www.familyfed.org/members/components/com\_eventhsa/form.php?cid=1. Complete and submit all the required information. For registration assistance, contact your district BFD.

#### 8. **District and Local Ceremonies**

Each district should organize local Blessing ceremonies as needed. The national banner and simple program design will be made available to all districts for use in local ceremonies. Communities and districts may wish to cooperate to create the most inspiring ceremonies and participation possible. Districts should report the planned locations for local ceremonies to National HQ by October 1st. Instructions for access to the internet broadcast will follow as soon as they are available.

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact BFDadmin@unification.org or call the National BFD office at (212) 997-0055.

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