

WFWP UK's Sharing Blessings Event at the Peace Embassy in South London

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"Provision, Protection, Positivity" – these are the key elements that parents should offer their children, according to Minister Marcia Tatham, a highly respected educator, safeguarding trainer, family mentor and chaplain.

Speaking on the UN Day of Peace (21 September) at the "Sharing Blessings" community event at the Peace Embassy, Thornton Heath, co-hosted by the FFWPU, UPF, and WFWP, she addressed a 50-strong audience of all ages on the topic "Impact of Parent-Child Relationship on our Future". By quoting from scripture, she passionately emphasised the need to reclaim a solid foundation for our families as the basis for realising peace in society, and stressed the important role of parents in helping children build a secure sense of identity and self-worth.

In a presentation which set the scene for the Blessing Ceremony centrepiece, Susan Crosthwaite, a marriage enrichment and emotional healing practitioner with decades of experience, explored the roots of the spiritual crisis which has led to widespread family and marriage breakdown with damaging consequences to children's hearts and minds. She strongly asserted "The family needs to be supported and defended", while citing that the family is the "School of Love". She introduced the Marriage and Family Blessing as a vital part of the process to realize one family under God.

The proceedings were ably coordinated by MCs Adza and Nittaya Mould, with a warm touch of humour drawn from their personal experiences. Presentation of True Love awards to two couples, wonderful musical performances and a prize draw complemented an amazing programme on this most special day.