

Parents Matching Convocation with Adult BCs #1

Renaissance Newark Airport Hotel, Elizabeth, NJ, January 16-18, 2009

Schedule

Friday Night

- 7:30pm **Reception and "Greetings" in the Hotel** Location to be announced. Refreshments and reunions. Sharing and free time. Matching candidate profiles will be available.
- 10:00 End of the evening activities

Saturday

- 6:00am **Hoon Dok Hae** (on your own)
- 7:00 **Breakfast** (ALL MEALS are on your own)
- 8:30 **Registration Begins** Register early to avoid the rush. Pre-pay to speed registration. Register online to be able to receive a printed name-badge.
- 9:30 **Convocation begins. Orientation.** Guidelines. CONFIDENTIALITY, Practical Details and Information, Organization, Schedule. Introductions of staff.
- 10:00 **Presentation 1: Getting to Know Your Adult Children Better** – Jim Stephens
Introduction of "Five Love Languages", "Flag Pages", Myers-Briggs Personality Indicator, and more
- 11:00 **Taking two of the Personality Tests**
- 11:30 **Discussion between parents and their BC.** Looking over the FlagPage and the tests and discussing the answers in relation to matching.
- 12:00 **Lunch**
- 1:30 **BC Panel Discussion.** Adult BCs share their experience of parents matching and then Q & A.
- 2:30 **Discussion Groups for parents and BCs by gender.** Opportunity to share your situation with others and network
- Parents' group(s)
 - Young Women's group(s)
 - Young Men's group(s)
- 3:30 **Free Time**
- 4:30 **Presentation 2: All About the Parents' Matching Process** – Jim Stephens
(1) Parents Matching Overview, (2) Options How to Do It, (3) Questions and Answers
(4) Websites, (5) Binders of profiles, (6) Parent Matching Convocations, (7) Mrs. Takahashi, Tessa, and Margret Orr.
- 5:30 **Dinner Break**
- 7:00 **Video Clips from Marriage Enrichment movement and Marriage Educators.** Clips from YouTube and elsewhere of famous marriage educators. Dr. John Gray (Men are from Mars, Women are from Venus), Mark Gungor (Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage), Michele Weiner-Davis (Divorce Busters), Dr. Gary Chapman (Five Love Languages), and more.
- 7:30 **Presentation 3: Lessons Learned from Arranged Marriages** by John Williams
- 8:30 **Discussion Groups:** Sharing and reflections from the day's activities
- 9:15 **Written Reflections**
- 9:30 **Closing of the Convocation**

Sunday

- 6:00am **Hoon Dok Hae** (on your own)
- 7:00 **Breakfast** (on your own)
- 9:00 **Reception and Good-byes in the Hotel** Location to be announced. Refreshments. Sharing and good-byes.
- 11:00 Check out of hotel