



Timing of the Foundation Day and Blessing ceremony

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Dear District Pastors, Local Pastors and Blessed Family Members;

We understand that there has been some confusion about how the Blessing Ceremony will be conducted in the U.S. We apologize for our part in creating this confusion. Please read this letter in full, for clarification.

The main Blessing Ceremony will be held in Korea as a part of the 1st Anniversary of Foundation Day Celebration. **The program will begin on Wednesday, February 12th at 10am Korea time** with the Blessing Ceremony. There will be a live webcast of the Korea celebration available **in the U.S. on Tuesday, February 11th at 8pm EST** (webcast begins at 7pm). A link to this webcast will be made available to all communities.

Each local community or district should prepare their own Foundation Day and Blessing Celebration for all the members of their community.

Additionally, we recommend that each state or district with individuals/couples planning to remain in the U.S. to participate in the Blessing Ceremony, prepare a special Blessing celebration for the couples, their families and their guests. Components of this celebration may include a catered meal, entertainment, encouraging messages from community members, and gifts for each couple. The celebration may take place before and, or after tuning into the live broadcast, or at a later date, after Foundation Day. A portion of each Blessing participant's Blessing offering will be made available to the community that hosts the Blessing Celebration they participate in.

For questions and more information, please contact the national Blessing & Family Ministry Team at BFMadmin@unification.org.

God Bless,

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