

FFWPU USA Blessing and Family Ministry: Conversations to Have Before the Blessing

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Hello family. New *MatchNet Podcast* episode. HJ Cosmic Blessing. Glimpse of a Blessed Life retreat. Creating a North Star goal. What choices will you make in 2024? Local Sunday Service livestreams.

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Conversations to Have Before the Blessing



Carina and Robert discuss important conversations they had before the Blessing and in the early days of being a Blessed couple that helped them create a strong foundation for their relationship.

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HJ Cosmic Blessing



The Next HJ Cosmic Blessing will take place along with the Entrance Ceremony of the Cheon Won Gung Palace in Spring 2025. In preparation for the 2025 Festivities, there will be a Missionary Blessing Ceremony on February 17, 2024.

Find more details about both Blessings below!

[find out more](#)

Glimpse of a Blessed Life Retreat

A YOUNG ADULT SINGLES AND COUPLES WEEKEND EXPERIENCE



We talk about the matching process and hear matching testimonies, but how often do we talk and hear about Blessed life? This weekend experience will focus on bridging the gap from the ideal to reality looking at the three Great Blessings.

You can look forward to testimonies from couples from all walks of life, time to reflect and discuss, a safe space to feel heard, time for connection with each other, and more.

Who: Young Adult Unificationist singles and couples nationwide

When: Friday, February 2, 2024 @ 3pm to Sunday, February 4, 2024 @ 12pm

Where: Bay Area Family Church (2305 Washington Ave, San Leandro, CA 94577)

[register here](#)

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Crafting A North Star for the New Year



In this High Noon podcast episode, listen to Andrew's engaging full guide on setting and achieving your North Star goal. This unique approach focuses on identifying deep-seated needs and aligning life goals to fulfill them. Through practical visualization exercises and insightful techniques, this episode empowers you to replace negative habits with positive ones, fostering emotional, mental, physical, and spiritual well-being.

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food for thought

What Choices Will You Make in 2024?



As we approach the end of 2023, there are many articles, blogs and advertisements that encourage us to think of our New Year's Resolutions. According to an article on Forbes.com, less than 25% of people who make resolutions stay committed after 1 month and only 8% accomplish them. The article recommends having specific attainable goals instead, ones that have actionable steps that you can track each day/week. As you think about goals that you would like to work on in the new year, I would like to suggest that you do some thinking about areas of your life in which you want to make different choices.

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HJ Cosmic Blessing - 2024, 2025

True Mother will be hosting the next **General HJ Cosmic Blessing** along with the Entrance Ceremony to the Cheon Won Gung and the Cheon Il Sanctum in the **spring of 2025.**

However, on February 17, 2024, there will be a Special HJ Cosmic Blessing for young missionaries.

See below for more details about this Blessing.



If you have any questions contact

Blessing Ministry at:

bfmadmin@unification.org

More Information

2025 General HJ Cosmic Blessing Festival

Date: Spring 2025

Location: Korea (with the possibility to participate in a satellite event)

Participants: All matched couples and married couples are welcome to join the 2025 Blessing Ceremony.

Attire: Kristina Han

Blessing Offering: To Be Confirmed

Meaning: With the opening of the Cheon Won Gun and Cheon Il Sanctum, the 2025 HJ Cosmic Blessing will be a Blessing Ceremony unlike any other other for it will be the first Blessing Ceremony after the official entrance into the Cheon Won Gung and Cheon Il Sanctum.

True Mother wants all of our efforts to focus on preparing for the festivities surrounding the successful Entrance Ceremony into the Cheon Won Gung and Cheon Il Sanctum. This is why there will be no major gatherings in Korea until that time. This is also why there will be no major Cosmic Blessing in 2024.

However, in the spirit of preparing the next generation into inheriting True Parents' tradition, vision, and love, True Mother is offering a unique opportunity to the young people who are currently during missionary work, those who are preparing for missionary, and even those who have done missionary work in the past, to

2024 Missionary Blessing Ceremony (for Young Missionaries)

Date: February 17, 2024

Location: Cheon Jeong Gung, Korea (**ONLY**)

Participants: Young Missionaries who have done mission in the past, those who are currently in a missionary program, or those who will do overseas missionary work in 2024.*

Attire: Kristina Han (attire, Rings, and jewelry). Click [here](#) for more information.

Blessing Offering: \$2,000

Meaning: As indicated in the meaning of the 2025 HJ Cosmic Blessing that is to take place in the spring of 2025 along with the Entrance Ceremony into the Cheon Won Gun and Cheon Il Sanctum, this February 2024 Blessing Ceremony, which is herein referred to as the Missionary Blessing Ceremony, will contribute to the establishment of the solid foundation that will culminate with the Entrance Ceremony in 2025. Just like our early missionaries went out on missions after the Blessing in early days, the merit of the age is now giving a rare opportunity to the younger generation, the inheritors, the opportunity to contribute to bringing the changes that they would like to see in the movement, the providence, and the world by offering to our Heavenly Parent

receive the Blessing this year, in order to officially launch the worldwide missionary work in this era of Cheon Il Guk. This will coincide with the graduation of the "Heavenly Top Gun" of Sun Moon Universal Peace Academy. (Read [this memo](#) for more information.)

This missionary Blessing will contribute to the establishment of the solid foundation that will culminate with the Entrance Ceremony in 2025.

and True Parents the first year of their lives as Blessed Couples.

If you are a missionary who has been preparing for the Blessing, or if you are single and would like to be blessed to someone who has been doing or is preparing to do missionary work, you are encouraged to fill out the Interest Form below to be included in the mailing list of the Blessing Ministry and receive additional information.

Please note that the information on this website is intended only to the members of the FFWPU-USA and FFWPU-Canada.

*Clarifications: Only one person in the couple has to fulfill this condition. GPA, CIG Missionaries, STF Europe are included as missionary programs.

[Read the Official Memo](#)

Are you interested in joining the 2024 Blessing?

[Fill out the interest Form](#)

☀ 2024 Blessing Frequently asked questions ☀

Will the 2024 Blessing be hosted only in Korea? +

Will parents be allowed to come to Korea to support their children? +

Will all the candidates be required to wear the new Blessing Attire (Kristina Han)? +

How can I buy the Kristina Han Blessing Attire? +

If I did GPA, can I be a candidate for this Blessing? +

Will the Blessing Offering be the same? +

Read the answers to the questions given at the Information Session [here](#).

If you have any questions contact Blessing Ministry at:
blmadmin@unification.org



Kristina Han

Do you want to learn more about the meaning of the New Blessing Attire that True Mother designed?

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A YOUNG ADULT SINGLES AND COUPLES WEEKEND EXPERIENCE



West Coast Young Adult Singles and Couples Weekend Experience

We talk about the matching process and hear matching testimonies.... but how often do we talk and hear about Blessed life? **This weekend experience will focus on bridging the gap from the ideal to reality** looking at the three Great Blessings.

What will this weekend experience consist of?

- Testimonies from couples from all walks of life
- Time to reflect, discuss and connect through interactive activities
- a space to feel heard and listened to
- It is a retreat and we are taking in the feedback we received to make it more of a retreat experience
- Free time for: sports, walk to the downtown to get boba, connect with one another, talk more personally with the testimony givers
- Young Couples --> we will have a date night evening program
- and more!

Who: Young Adult Unificationist singles and couples

When: Friday, Feb. 2nd 3pm to Sunday, Feb. 4th 12pm, 2024

Where: beautiful Bay Area Family Church: 2305 Washington Ave, San Leandro, CA 94577

Registration Fee : \$80 (*DEADLINE --> Jan 28th midnight PST*).

Early Bird Price : \$70 (*DEADLINE --> Jan 7th midnight PST*)

(price includes food, lodging at BAFC, materials, and the whole program)

Topics to look forward to:

- How are couples living a Blessed life? What does the Blessing mean?
- Relationship building, conflict resolution, practical tools and skills...
- Vision building for your future
- and so much more

Lodging:

- Lodging is available at no cost at the Bay Area Family Church. Note: you will be sleeping on floors so bring your own sleeping bags and mats as we don't have enough for everyone.
- Home Stay - local people are open to hosting, if you need assistance you can email us at bafcyam@gmail.com but **FIRST** ask your contacts and try to find on your own

Flying In:

- The closest airport to fly into is Oakland Airport which is 15 minutes from the church. The second airport is SFO which is 40 minutes from the church.
- Have your flights arrive before 1pm on Friday and depart after 1pm on Sunday
- NOTE: we aren't providing transportation

Transportation:

- From the SFO airport, you can take the Bart to San Leandro Bart Station which is around a 15 minute walk from the church or a 5 minute uber. Bart one way is \$12.
- From Oakland airport, you can also take Bart or uber as the church is a 15 minute drive from the airport.



Your Information

Name *

First Name



Last Name

Email *

Email Address

Date of Birth *

Month



Day



Year



What church community are you currently from? *

Do you have any dietary restrictions or allergies? *

Are you *

- Single
- Matched
- Blessed

What inspired you to register to attend this retreat? *

How did you find out about the retreat? *

What are some questions you have regarding living a Blessed life? And what specific testimonies and discussions would interest you? *

What are you currently up to? (are you a student, what are you studying, working professional, ministry leader, CARP etc.) *

Please share with us a bit about where you are at in your life journey and where you are at now to help us in preparing for the retreat. *

Lodging:

Please let us know your lodging plans *

- I will secure my own lodging.
Note: If this changes and you want to stay at BAFC please let us know ASAP
- I would like to stay at the Bay Area Family Church.
Note: sleeping on floors, bring your own sleeping bags; If this changes please let us know ASAP

Registration





Registration* In person Individual (\$70.00)
 In Person Couple (\$140.00)

Total **\$70.00**

Billing Information

Name* First Last

Payment Method Credit Card Check

Credit Card* Card Number    

Month Year CVV

Address* United States of America

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