WFWP Canada's Cornerstone for Peace Webinar - Can We Make Peace A Reality?

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CORNERSTONE for PEACE

A Transformational Seminar on Marriage & Family for Peace

The Women's Federation for World Peace (WFWP) Canada held its Cornerstone for Peace webinar on Monday, February 28, 2022. There were 17 participants. The event was hosted by WFWP President Lilly Tadin and WFWP Secretary Blandine Stringer.

The event began with two questions raised by President Lilly Tadid:"Is Peace Really Possible?" and "How can we make peace a reality?"

The WFWP Canada used this seminar to educate its participants on the principles that should be put into practice in order to bring about world peace. This philosophy came from WFWP founders Reverend Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon who are endearingly referred to as Father and Mother Moon. The seminar was designed to help married couples to strengthen and restore true love in their relationships as this is the key to building peaceful communities, nations and the world.

The seminar welcomed anyone who is not yet married to prepare themselves for their future marriage and anyone who is currently married to revive their relationships and families. Hundreds of couples have taken that journey and experienced profound transformation.

Ms. Blandine explained that building a peaceful world was analogous to building a sound structure. Without a solid foundation, pillars and beams, the structure will collapse. The foundation required is the principle that God is the transcendent source of love and life. The pillar represents the dual purpose principle of mind and body and the beams represent the pair system principle. In practice, this analogy takes the form of 3 life goals:

Personal Maturity

Loving Relationships and Family

Contributions to Society

A strong sense of spiritual worth helps us see the value in others. This in turn causes us to seek ways to love and care for others. In doing so we act as stewards of the natural world.

Ms. Blandine emphasized the importance of relationships based on true love. Statistically, children that are raised in such families are more likely to go to college and less likely to be raised in poverty, abused or do drugs. She explained that we currently have a culture of selfishness, so the foundation is shaky. She advised that this culture is hurtful and will continue to be unless a shift takes place within our families.

It was at this point that the participants entered into breakout rooms to discuss these concepts with others.

The second part of the seminar was an introduction to a new vision for marriage. The goal of this vision is one global family under God. Father and Mother Moon have dedicated their lives to celebrating marriage and families since 1960; when they married to create a new pattern for marriage and provide a blessing to all the families of the earth. Religious and political leaders have also participated in such blessing ceremonies around the world. Values such as goodness, living for the sake of others and commitment in marriage are paramount in the new pattern.

The 6 steps of the Marriage Blessing are:

- 1. Education
- 2. The Unity and Harmony Ceremony'
- 3. The Marriage Blessing Ceremony
- 4. The Forgiveness Ceremony
- 5. The 40 day separation and 3 day ceremony
- 6. The 3 day new beginning ceremony

The webinar hosts invited their participants to share this information with their families and communities. Based on their own experiences of marriage renewals they wish to expand the blessings they have received to others.

The webinar concluded with another breakout room session and group photo. The hosts gladly offered anyone who was interested access to the presentation slides to share.

To sign up for a future seminar or to find out more about Cornerstone for Peace visit us at: www.wfwp.us/cornerstone-for-peace-education.