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To : Regional presidents, National messiahs, National leaders

From: FFWPU International Headquarters

Date: September 4, 2009

Re. : Special Blessing Ceremony on October 14

May God and True Parents' blessings and love be with brothers and sisters in all regions, mission nations and providential organizations.

A special Blessing Ceremony will be held this October 14 in commemoration of the important events in the 9<sup>th</sup> year of Cheon II Guk: Coronation for the Authority of the Liberation of God, True Father's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday, True Parents' 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary, the Rally to Bring about the Complete Settlement of Peace for the Cosmic Cain and Abel (Good and Evil) Centering on the Parents of Heaven and Earth, 55<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of HSA-UWC in Korea, publication of True Father's memoirs, and the 59<sup>th</sup> anniversary of True Father's release from prison in North Korea. Leaders of regions and nations should carefully read the details below and do their utmost in preparing for this Blessing Ceremony.

### I. Outline

- 1. Name of Blessing Ceremony: (Working title) Peace Marriage Blessing Ceremony for a New Civilization in the Peaceful Reign on the Occasion of True Father's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday and the 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary of True Parents, the King of Kings.
- 2. Date and time: 11 a.m., October 14, 2009 (Korea time)
  - Rehearsal will begin from 9:30 a.m.
  - Brides and grooms should be in venue before 9 a.m.
- 3. Venue: Open area in front of Sun Moon University Main Building / Local venues in other nations and regions
- 4. Officiators: True Parents
- 5. Target for ceremony in Korea: 12,000 couples
- 6. **Participants:** Heads of states, VIPs worldwide, all blessed couples, married couples, 1<sup>st</sup> generation candidates (matched, widowed), 2<sup>nd</sup> generation candidates (matched).

Note: In principle, all blessed couples should attend the ceremony.

- **\*** Details of internet broadcasting will be announced at a later date.
- II. Standard for participating in Blessing Ceremony
- 1. Special Blessing
- (1) Blessed families should submit an application form to participate in special Blessing Ceremony



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- 1) Participants should fill out application form (refer to attachment 1)
- Blessed families should fill out and submit the application form to their national headquarters (National headquarters should take custody of the forms and keep a serial number for each form)
- 3) All mission nations should collect the application form (affiliate mission nation, blessing year, names of husband and wife, contact number, address, and receipt of special blessing donation) from each blessed family and submit the forms and a compiled list to the regional headquarters. Regional headquarters should collect the application forms and submit a final list using the form provided (refer to attachment 2) to the International Headquarters before the given deadline.
- 4) Deadline for namelists to be submitted to international HQ: October 7, 2009
- 5) Inquiries:

- Tel: +82-2-3275-4200

- e-mail: <u>mission@tongil.or.kr</u>

## (2) Special Blessing Donation (Special Blessing Offering)

- 1) Special blessing donations should be collected in each mission nation and then sent to a designated account along with the name list of the donors to the International Headquarters.
- 2) Personal checks will not be accepted at this time.
- \* Account details will be announced at a later date

## 2. Donation amount for each blessed family (Special Blessing Offering)

- North America: \$1,000

- South America: \$250

- West Europe: \$1,000 (Other nations: \$700)

East Europe: \$250Middle East: \$250

- Oceania: Australia and New Zealand: \$700, other nations: \$50

- Asia: Taiwan, Singapore, Hong Kong: \$700, other nations \$250

Africa: \$50NER: \$250

\* The donation for Korea and Japan will be decided separately.

## 3. Blessing Ceremonies for blessing candidates

1) The Blessing Ceremony will be open to 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> generation blessing candidates who are already matched or have a partner and have submitted all the necessary documents, and to married couples who have submitted all the necessary documents.



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## 2) Participation fee for blessing candidates who take part in the Blessing Ceremony in Korea

## (1) Japan [Includes accommodations and meals]

- Married couples: 1,250,000 won per person
- 1<sup>st</sup> generation single candidates: 1,250,000 won per person
- 2<sup>nd</sup> generation single candidates: 2,500,000 won per person

## (2) USA and Europe [Includes accommodations and meals]

- 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> generation single candidates: \$600 per person
- (3) Candidates from other nations are exempt from this fee. However, they will be responsible for covering accommodation and meal expenses.

# 3) The goal is to have 5,000 new couples (single candidates or married couples) participate in the Blessing Ceremony.

Category	Goal	Remarks
Korea	4,340 couples	Including 1st and 2nd generation
		single candidates
Japan	450 couples	Including 1st and 2nd generation
		single candidates
Rest of the world (Heads of states, VIP from 120 nations)	210 couples	20 couples from heads of states
		Including 1st and 2nd generation
		single candidates from each region
TOTAL	5,000 couples	

<sup>\*</sup> Each region should do their best in sending 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> generation blessing candidates to Korea.

## III. Schedule for brides and grooms

- 1. 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> generation single blessing candidates will take part in a program from October 13 14, 2009 (Details will be announced soon)
- 2. All blessed couples, married couples should take part in the Blessing Ceremony on October 14, 2009
- 3. Accommodation venue for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> generation blessing candidates will be announced at a later date.
- 4. Guests should arrive at the venue before 10 a.m. October 14, 2009

## IV. Preparations for participants of Blessing Ceremony

## 1. Dress code

- 1) Groom: Dark-colored suit and wedding scarf
- 2) Brides
  - 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> generation single blessing candidates: Wedding dress, wedding veil and wedding scarf
  - All blessed families: White-colored suit and wedding scarf



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- VIP and married couples: White-colored suit and wedding scarf
- 3) Participants from outside of Korea should dress in their countries national attire.

## 2. Ceremonial items will be provided by the Korean Headquarters

- (1) Men will be provided with white gloves and wedding scarf
- (2) Women will be provided with wedding scarf

#### V. Administrative matters

- 1. Regional presidents and national leaders should prepare and organize a holy wine ceremony for all blessed couples and married couples and conduct the ceremony before the Blessing Ceremony. (Holy wine should be provided by the regional headquarters)
- 2. Blessing candidates (single and married couples) will not be recognized as a blessed couple should they fail to participate in the official holy wine ceremony, Blessing Ceremony, indemnity stick ceremony, or education to begin a family (3-day ceremony).

#### Attachments:

- 1. Application form to take part in the special Blessing Ceremony
- 2. Name list for participants of the special Blessing Ceremony

**Hyung Jin Moon International President** 

