

*The Marriage  
Blessing Movement*

**Foundation Day Blessing 2016  
Feb. 19 in the USA**



“The International Holy Blessing Ceremony is the ceremony of resurrection that enables us to uproot and restore completely all that was defiled in our families because of the Fall, especially the false love, false life and false lineage we received from the false parents. Through the Blessing Ceremony we receive the enormous grace of being engrafted with the seeds of true love, true life and true lineage, by which God and human beings can become one through love. I sincerely hope that all humanity throughout the world will receive this enormous blessing, change to become heavenly families, and be registered in the Kingdom of Heaven on earth.”

Rev. Sun Myung Moon, *Blessing and Ideal Family*, 8. The Result of the Fall







**What is it?**

# What is the Marriage Blessing Movement?

An initiative to give more couples throughout America the opportunity to receive the Marriage Blessing from True Parents

by having Marriage Blessing Ceremonies occur more frequently in more locations throughout America





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“The Unification mass wedding ceremony is not just a wedding ceremony of a man and a woman to make a family. Until now, marriage was centered on the individual self, but our wedding ceremony is holy and has the content to make God happy and the condition to indemnify history. Our marriage ceremony is to liberate God's grief caused by Adam and Eve's fall and fulfill what Jesus could not, which is to pass through the standard of the bridegroom and bride. This is explained clearly in the Divine Principle.”

Rev. Sun Myung Moon, *Blessing and Ideal Family*



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# Why a Marriage Blessing Movement?

An opportunity to comfort God's heart and bring God joy



A way to expand God's lineage and our Unification family



Allows us to directly respond to True Parents' desire to give the Marriage Blessing to all of God's children



Promotes God's original intention for marriages and families



Supports our Blessed Families in fulfilling our role as Tribal Messiahs

# Why a Marriage Blessing Movement?

“Why do we get the Blessing? In order to give the Blessing to others and see that the Blessing goes to the whole world.”

Rev. Sun Myung Moon, Blessing and Ideal Family





**Where does it happen?**



# Where does it happen?

All across America in as many communities as possible!

Any community with an approved FFWPU Blessing Officiator can hold a Marriage Blessing Ceremony

Each community will need to register their community as a Marriage Blessing Ceremony host with the National BFM





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**Who is it for?**

# Who is the Marriage Blessing for?

“We cannot establish the ideal of heaven without marriage and the family. In the Unification Church, the purpose for all the good men and good women receiving the Blessing is to build the ideal of the Kingdom of Heaven. Not only unmarried people, but also people already married who have the correct standard must get the Blessing. Everyone must receive the Blessing in order to return to the world of the original creation.”

Rev. Sun Myung Moon, Blessing and Ideal Family











# HOLY MARRIAGE BLESSING CEREMONY

Sunday, October 4th 2014



# Who is it for?

Matched Couples  
&  
Married Couples

# Who can I invite?

Friends, relatives, neighbors, co-workers, classmates, ACLC contacts, WFWP contacts, Ambassadors for Peace...







**What is the process for Matched Couples  
to receive the Marriage Blessing?**

# Path to the Marriage Blessing for Matched Couples

## Step One: Prepare

- Complete the Level 3 Blessing Education
  - In person (Dec. 18-20)
  - Online ([bfm.familyfed.org](http://bfm.familyfed.org))
- Complete the Blessing Interview

## Step Two: Apply

- Online Matching & Blessing Application
- —Blessing Offering

## Step Three: Participate









**What is the process for Married Couples to receive the Marriage Blessing?**

# Path to the Marriage Blessing for Married Couples

“When looking at the Unification Church's Blessing, what is the challenge? The challenge is to make the indemnity condition in order to receive the Blessing. Enormous contents are linked with this. From the historical view, you received the fallen blood lineage. That is why in order to receive the Blessing, you must cut off from the fallen lineage, and in order to solve the fundamental problem, you need the heavenly condition.”

Rev. Sun Myung Moon, Blessing and Ideal Family

# Path to the Marriage Blessing for Married Couples

## Step One: Become a Pre-Blessed Couple

- —Receive Divine Principle and Marriage Blessing Education
- —Make a small offering for the cost of the ceremony (determined by community)
- —Participate in the Holy Wine Celebration
- —Participate in the Holy Marriage Blessing Celebration

## Step Two: Become a Blessed Couple

- Online registration to become a Blessed Couple—
- —Blessing Offering (minimum of \$210 with a heart to offer \$2000 per couple)
- —Participate in the Chastening Ceremony
- —40-Day Holy Separation Period
- —Three-Day Deremony of Renewal

\*These two steps can be done back to back or over a period of time as the couple receives more education

# Preparing married couples to receive the Marriage Blessing

## Important Education

- —Basic understanding of God's ideal for marriages and families, what went wrong, and God's process of restoration
- Meaning and value of the Marriage Blessing
- —Role of True Parents
- —Change of Blood Lineage Process
- —What does it mean to be a Blessed Couple and raise Blessed Children?

## Methods of Education

- —One-day seminar
- —Short segments, small group study style over a period of several weeks
- —Pre-Blessing program (day of or day before)

# Process to Change Blood Lineage & Become a Blessed Couple

- I. Holy Wine Ceremony
- II. Marriage Blessing Ceremony
- III. Chastening Ceremony
- IV. Forty-Day Holy Separation Period
- V. Three-Day Ceremony of Renewal

**When is it?**

# When is it?

Marriage Blessing Ceremonies will be held every four months

Upcoming Dates

**Saturday, Feb. 19, 2016**

(Feb. 19 in the USA)

**Saturday, June 15, 2016**

**Saturday, Oct. 18, 2016**



# Desired Outcome

**God-centered Marriages and Families practicing true love,  
contributing to building the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth!**

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Q&A

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