



## Matching Advisors Training - Seattle, WA - January 22-23, 2016

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Dear Blessed Family Members,

Are you inspired by the idea of helping people create a foundation for happy marriages and families? As a Matching Advisor (MA) you will receive training and have access to tools and resources that will empower you to help others create happy marriages and families. Matching Advisors are instrumental in supporting individuals in the matching process on the path to receiving the Marriage Blessing.

**A training and certification seminar for prospective Matching Advisors will be held in Seattle, WA on Friday and Saturday, January 22-23, together with the [Parents' Matching Convocation \(PMC\)](#). The MA Training will be held on Friday from 8:45am – 5:45pm and Saturday from 8:45am – 12:45pm.** A full schedule of the training seminar is attached. The training will be conducted by members of the national Blessing and Family Ministry team. The training is free for qualified participants. Meals and snacks are included on Friday and Saturday. MA Training participants are encouraged to remain for the entire duration of the PMC, which ends at 2:00pm on Sunday, January 24.

**To participate in this training, you must [pre-register on the BFM website](#) by January 10.** You will be prompted to fill out some basic information and a questionnaire, and upload a recommendation form from your local or district pastor.

The ideal MA should feel called to this ministry, be trustworthy, a good listener, a patient communicator, and happily Blessed in marriage. He or she should also have a few hours per week of availability to devote to this ministry on an on-going basis. Advisors will be trained to help candidates and parents develop a clear plan for the matching process, assist them in finding potential candidates, and support them through the process as needed. For more information about the role of a Matching Advisor see the attached document.

Advisors can choose to work with one or more of the following categories of candidates:

- First Generation Unificationists
- Jacob Generation
- Blessed Children
- Associate Members
- Treasures of Heaven
- Getting Back on Track

Younger Matching Advisors are in high demand. If you are a young Blessed individual with a passion for supporting individuals and families in the matching process, please consider attending the training and becoming a Matching Advisor. Your efforts can make a big impact.

If you are interested in receiving training as a Matching Advisor, but are unable to attend the training seminar in-person, an online training course is now available, which can be completed at your leisure. [Click here for more information about the online Matching Advisor training course.](#)

We look forward to working with those who are called to support candidates and their parents in the matching and Blessing process. Thank you in advance for your investment and efforts. May God be with you and your family!

Sincerely,

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President

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