Special Grace and Holy Items – Important Information

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On 21st April of this year, True Mother bequeathed a special gift to all blessed families in the form of 4 holy items:

- holy wine
- holy salt
- holy candle
- holy earth



Through this gift, True Mother also wishes to bestow special grace on all members. Like that song reminds us, grace is indeed amazing. None of us deserve it, and yet that is why God wants to give it to us. True Mother is hoping that through this special grace we can create a new start in our lives, abandoning the baggage from the past that was holding us up and making a new determination to create God's world

of peace in our families and nations.



Recently in Paris, representatives of communities across Europe inherited the multiplied items from the continental director, Mr. Jack Corley. In the UK, the plan is to multiply these items and distribute them to community representatives at the next Council of Communities meeting in Derbyshire between 12-14 August. Thereafter, it will be possible for each local community to host bequeathal ceremonies at which all blessed families can participate in a holy wine ceremony and make a new resolution in our lives to establish Cheon II Guk.

Before we participate in these ceremonies, True Mother has instructed that specific conditions be offered:

- Attitude (internal mindset of gratitude & repentance)
- Resolve (offer a written statement to start anew)
- Education (participate in a special 1-day programme)
- Devotion (daily scripture study, or hoon dok hwe, and 40 bows of devotion, or a suitable alternative)
- Donation (suggested amount of £100 per blessed family which is roughly equivalent to 130 EUR, the agreed suggestion across Europe which is based on the recommendation to make an offering including the number 13)



Across the UK, we intend to offer our 40-day period of devotion all together at the same time shortly after the Annual Gathering between Sunday 4th Septemberand Thursday 13th October. Before this period of devotion begins, recommended daily scripture readings will be distributed so that some portion of the daily scripture study will be the same for all blessed families.

If certain members cannot offer bows, alternative forms of devotion can be discussed with your local pastor or the <u>blessed family</u>

<u>department</u>. Further, if there are good reasons why offering the devotion in September and October would not be possible, brothers and sisters across Europe are encouraged to offer their devotion together during some alternative time periods:

Sunday 6th November – Thursday 15th December Sunday 25th December – Thursday 2nd February

All members, regardless of their past behaviour, are invited to participate in this special grace and inherit these holy items, as long as they commit to offering these conditions. For any concerns, please consult the <u>blessed family department</u>.

After 13th October, local communities will be organising dates for local bequeathal ceremonies. The intention is to allow all blessed families to participate before Foundation Day 2017, which will be Wednesday 8th February.

For more information about the holy items, please study these slides.