The Future of Barrytown College/UTS Survey Results

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The following charts show the results of a recent survey; 311 respondents who participated over a 3 day period from Oct. 25 - 27, 2013.

You may also view a written responses to the survey below.





What should be done with the Barrytown property?

Do you support the idea of re-designing the Masters degree program to be offered during 4 weeks of intensives per year and as online





Do you think the accredited, undergraduate 4 year Bachelor of Arts degree program called Barrytown College of UTS should have two



Tell us a little about yourself!

The property has significant value financially and spiritually. If the business plan is impressive enough to allow for UTS to be financially independent then it is definitely worth considering to keep open.

10/28/2013 10:02 AM

We have to not let go of this College there must be visionaries that can help make it happen. Also there is a sift in this country were I am. I have hear student complain about the destructive culture on campus. Do we have educators that can develop a Unification higher vision into the Educational experience. 10/28/2013 9:55 AM

The Barrytown property will be one of the most important spiritual oases in N. America in 100/200 years time. It is essential that this property remain within the Unificationist movement.

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One of the best sources for this information in the Hudson Valley, from Albany to NYC; a major part of the Hudson Valley's local history, adding significantly to the pre-UTS history of the region.

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This property was blessed by True Parents. Father spent many years there, nurtured it, walked allover it, invested his own personal energy into making it a long lasting spiritual, educational and peaceful, clean place of enlightenment for faith seekers. It has a unique place in the Completed Testament Age as a place of spiritual renewal from the Unificationist perspective. I feel deeply that Father would pull out the stops to save this property. I remember a talk he gave in New York in1977 where he stated that no matter what you face in the future, or how confusing things get, you can always come home to Barrytown. I am seriously thinking of spending my last years on earth (as I am well into my sixties, 37 years in the church) living in the Red Hook area so I can work at Barrytown. I personally feel deeply connected to True Father when ever I am there. I wish I had a lot of money, because I would invest it in that property. Maybe Hyun Jin could channel some of the money he generated for Global Peace into saving something that is near and dear to his Father's heart.

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Seems that the ideal and reality are far apart. I am not optimistic of a grand strategy, as the lack of unity between UTS and the UC has been ongoing for years. There is little to no vision for the UC/UM and therefore no place for UTS education within that.(lack of) vision. Even if there are remote dreams, there is, as far as I can see, no strategy. So it is hard to see any forward momentum for either UTS or the UC. UTS does not create sufficient public value.But neither does the UC. So it is a mess. I place a lot of emphasis on UTS and Barrytown College to "create value" for the UC/UM. it appears to have been derelict in this equation for years. When I graduated I served CARP for approx 10 years without salary from CARP. That was my personal offering for my education received. No one told me I should do it, or the time required. I saw many graduates move on from UTS even soon after completing their studies. PS my graduating class only received the certificate (ie before accreditation) so the 2 years was not "worth much, if

anything" in the work marketplace. UTS and Barrtyown must fit within an sustainable economic model and sadly the UC/UTS lack of unity (which seems akin to Jacob and Esau's) has probably sunk the ship. Neither side seems to talk in terms of serving each other. From the outside it looks like a political union at best. Jacob and Esau had a political union too.... but then went their separate ways. Sounds par for this course. Ironic that so many "church" leaders are UTS grads and some have even earned their D. Mins at UTS yet can none can find not help create sufficient value in that education for the UM.

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Establishing and launching Barrytown College has been a major victory and one that has tremendous potential for the future of our movement. While True Mother has suggested that our children attend school in Korea, that is neither a reasonable nor a probable choice for everyone. The likelihood that Barrytown College will succeed and prosper is extremely high if given the support it needs while in its infancy. Please do not throw the baby out with bathwater!

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I believe in hanging on to our precious church properties...it's always a sad thing to lose them to someone who then goes on to do what we might have done ourselves, had we had enough forethought and experience to try ourselves.

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I think there is a great need for an inexpensive credited college that offers online degrees. Could it be possible to team with University of Bridgeport to develop enough online courses to become as substantial player in the online degree market? It seems to be a growing trend.

10/28/2013 12:08 AM

I am curious what True Mother's opinion on keeping UTS is. I know True Father purchased properties for a purpose so I'm sure he had a vision for what UTS would be used for.

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I think if Father were alive today; no one would be talking about selling Barrytown. In a country which doesn't appreciate roots and tradition enough; let our church not follow the same path. Let us build a tradition of education; helping to mold strong leadership qualities, strong principled heartistic values, to stem and overcome the tide of the failed education system America currently has.

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Father led us single file through Barrytown when we bought it. He promised us young MFT'ers we would all go there some day. This is what I regret.

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If there is a solid plan to bring Barrytown College to self sufficiency in two years, the decision to close the College after only six months in operation is preemptive. The education of our second generation, present and future Church membership, and fulfillment of Vision 2020 all stand to be negatively impacted by it. While true that much focus is on Sun Moon University, attending college in Korea would be a luxury probably few second generation could afford. Furthermore, what would closing the college say to the educational community and others about our integrity when accreditation was granted on condition that adequate funds had been allocated? Closing the College at this time would jeopardize future relations with the State and tend to close the door as far as establishing a college at any time in the foreseeable future. Finally, it is difficult to imagine that True Father would approve of selling the property which has been so important in the Church's work in America.

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It would be a shame to sell off another one of True Parent's important acquisitions.

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For the UC to have a future we need educated pastors. If UTS closes down, there is no hope for the UC in the US.

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I am not particularly interested, however if some are and are willing to make it work it would be up to them.

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Most properties sold by leaders, usually waste the money anyway. I think they just want to make a quick buck but aren't considering the usefulness of the building and importance to Fathers vision. I'm not attached to the college but Someone should find a way to make it profitable but keep it at all costs. You could suspend the college there until it pays for itself just do weddings to pay for the maintenance.

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I have witnessed first hand the great experiences that Barrytown College students are having this year. We all knew it was going to be a risk, but I absolutely think its worth a continuous investment. Give it three years, and if attendance does not improve, then shut it down, Some of the greatest institutions started off as just a small group in individuals. Please keep it going!

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Barrytown College's value and potential to train and raise Second Gen into leaders of the movement, advance the providence, and provide a uniquely principled and godly environment in a higher education setting for Second Gen to learn and grow is truly invaluable. In two short months, I have grown so much from my ability to express myself fully internally and externally and nurture my spiritual life while away at school. The other students are incredibly dedicated,

loving, and inspired people that I am proud to call my classmates and friends. Together we are building the culture of heart of the college that will welcome the future classes of Second Gen, including my younger sisters in the near future, to a place where the classes are challenging and fulfilling, the clubs and programs are enriching, and one can feel safe and supported academically and emotionally. My experience has been overwhelmingly positive and I would enthusiastically advocate any Second Gen to consider highly Barrytown College as their home away from home for four years.

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To prove that I am an interested party I will give you my background: My father went to UTS, my relative lives on the property, I am an elected governance representative of our church on local, district and national levels. My opinion: This is a disgraceful survey, obviously designed to cherry pick answers that you want. It is unprofessional and half-assed. We can never run a college in the same way you made/designed this survey. You should bring the University of Bridgeport into this discussion, because it seems to me that they have most of what you claim to offer, but accredited.

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This poll seems to reflect the same problems that are systemic to the UC in general, i.e., you portend interest in our viewpoint but don't provide any of the critical information needed to understand the plight of UTS such as a cost/benefit analysis, annual budgets, comparative costs, strategies for cost recovery etc. It seems you have constructed more of a push poll with no real substance for evaluation presented prior to asking these questions. Because you have not, there is most likely not enough buy-in from the congregation in a substantial way. In my opinion, this lack of real buy-in reflects the true value leadership holds in their perceived value of "our" opinion. Until you explain the details of the plan you will fail to obtain the solutions. After all, the UC leadership has demonstrated the ability to spend funds in grossly disproportionate and inappropriate ways, damaging its credibility in most intelligent circles. This doesn't reflect well on a body of supposed academics. I think you would find that if provide an objective analysis coupled with a strategic cost loaded plan based on industry standard conventions, wrapped around a marketing plan and schedule of stepped goals to achieve a sustainable level of performance, you will find the people interested in furthering those goals enrolling with you and facilitating the success of this endeavor. If you also offer transparency, accountability and responsible approaches.

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There appears to be little likelihood of internal donations being sufficient to keep UTS solvent. "Partnering" with other entities (U.C. or not) may be the only way to keep UTS/Barrytown part of the U.C. community. Given the economic realities stated, its seems implausible to attempt to keep UTS going using the just the undergraduate program. Finding such partners, however, takes time - which something I fear we don't have. A huge investment has been made, and vast improvements undertaken to make Barrytown College a reality. Small student numbers can be expected the first year(s), and should not be reason to close B.C. so quickly. That being said, it appears that big decisions must be made in short order. Perhaps a question to be asked is, does economic reality trump spiritual determination? I wonder how T.F would have responded to that? Lastly, I believe there is great value in the four-year undergraduate program at B.C. The

location and setting are world class, and I would be sad to see this given up. Unfortunately, I don't have immediate answers on how this crisis can be best managed. UTS/Barrytown is a precious, mufti-faceted commodity that needs careful stewardship. If collectively, we can't find a way to keep and maintain it, then we should pass it on to those who can, before the property loses value. Hopefully, that won't happen.

10/27/2013 12:47 AM

Investing in higher education is expensive and needs to have a return on investment. I think technical or practical 2 and 4 year program could make it pay for itself and give our second gen as well as others a way to make a living in a healthy environment. What kind of job can they get with the degree needs to be asked. Work with business in the area and see what kind of education is needed now.

10/27/2013 10:36 AM

We bailed out Jerry Falwell's Liberty University; we bailed out University of Bridgeport, and we cannot do it for Barrytown College. Are we that SMART? Edmond

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Do not kill the baby while still in the belly. This is the greatest sin leaders in the decision to stop this project could make. Comparable to the sin against the Holy Spirit.

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A lot of money was pumped into UTS education, but the results of the many graduates are very few. Most of them don't serve the public now. Please stop draining money for no results. First solve problems and be financially and otherwise transparent.

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Although I don't know a lot about Barrytown College, I do know that University of Bridgeport and Sun Moon U do not especially concern themselves with the spiritual environment provided to the students. I believe that this is something important to both parents and 2nd students.

10/27/2013 6:57 AM

Father established UTS to save America. Knowing the Principle ourselves will be the starting point. So far we read words and see flat diagrams of the various aspects of the Principle. Father has also spoken in words describing how God's Principle works. I believe that these words can become visual, three dimensional, and in motion by making it animated. Once this is done, we, students, elders, can appreciate the thinking of God by actually seeing how the creation came about, level by level. The vision in God's mind is mathematical, geometrical, developing in time and space, (action packed,) and can become a living template for us to use in order to solve the many problems that plague humankind. Barrytown College can be the place where students can work on a project like this. This will lead to a better understanding of the ultimate truth of the

Principle and establish the Principle in America and then the rest of the world. I hope I make myself clear. If not call me. Jim Rigney 646-207-4655

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invest as you can give it the 2 years...

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Has to be relevant and broad. I'm tired of politicized spirituality. You can't fit square pegs into round holes. 2nd gen can see through a lot of the bullshit. (sorry trying to be succinct). Authentic intellectual pursuit is what I am hoping to see. Stop being apologists for a movement that has some mixed value history and needs to change to address a different future.

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I think UTS has produced very little since the early 80's and should just close at this point. Barrytown College has potential to provide the educational needs and desires of our children as well as develop our Unification philosophy and thought. I think Bridgeport has been a total disaster for us and should be sold, and some of the money from Bridgeport directed to Barrytown College. We are supporting Bridgeport at huge expense and get nothing but hostility and disrespect from them.

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Although I believe they have deep spiritual significance and value to the church, the past record did not show that UTS degree is valued in the church organization. There should be clear relationship between UTS or Barrytown college degree and its relevance to church work or related profession

10/27/2013 12:58 AM

Barrytown is my Alma Mater both as a UTS grad and as a US UC member. It is the birthplace of our US movement and a holy ground. Thanks for all the work done to keep it in use and maintained over the years. Please, please don't ever sell it because once its gone, its gone

10/27/2013 12:31 AM

I'm inspired to be here as a student. Until the last moment before Barrytown College opened, I didn't know I was going to attend. However, I know that I was spiritually guided to be here and it was also with my own decision, and I learned that it turned great and I'm glad to be a part of it.

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This may have been done in a number of forums that already have taken place but, I think the people of the UTS community may have been inspired with ideas to help UTS financially and..maybe spiritually? I'm going to figure a lot of first gen don't have facebook or don't use it/know how to use it. This survey itself gives community members the opportunity to provide

input like I have suggested above, but I am not sure this survey will reach some of the people who may have valuable ideas.

10/27/2013 12:11 AM

Barrytown College has barely had a chance to fulfill it's potential. It's only been open for three months, after three years of working for that. Now that we have it and finally won the battle against the uncooperative Middle States, we are becoming our worst enemy! Ridiculous. Barrytown College expands God's Providence and gives the American community a haven where their faith can be expressed and deepened in the classroom while earning a degree. I proposed, and Dr. Panzer shared, my vision for an interface to be designed between BTC and Headquarters where inspired students and Second Gen could be exposed to the inner workings of church leadership and undergo training that will help them either lead the church or actively and dynamically lead whatever field they commit themselves to. Such a program is the most concrete plan I've heard for America to unite with Mother's desire for 2nd Gen to take responsibility. Such an opportunity would attract the best and most committed future leaders to attend Barrytown College and further God's Providence.

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if we no longer have the UTS property, it will definitely sadden the whole youth to our church community especially with many significant events like BCSF being held in this location. It has too many memories to get rid of.

10/26/2013 10:56 PM

Of course we need educational institutions in the US, not just Korea. Did not other faiths start Harvard and Yale, etc, to educate their ministers. Don't we need to educate our ministers. Of course, as well as all 2nd gen and the many coming Blessed children from the expanding Blessing (remember RFK stadium Blessing)

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I am at this point not able to help financially, but will when I can. I believe that UTS and BC must and will succeed just like the USA herself.

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True Father saw this education as part of the leadership training for our movement.

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Can you tell us what UTS graduates are currently doing? If their biggest concern is making a comfortable life for themselves, I'm really not interested in churning out more graduates. But if UTS alumni are truly helping our movement and the world, that's different.

10/26/2013 9:48 PM

I think Education should be supported by business. Unfortunately our church businesses are not fulfilling the responsibility to support education. UTS should not be held accountable for this failure of our businesses. Instead the mission of education should be supported as a primary investment. It is embarrassing that we cannot understand the importance and the value of education.

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I understand True Mother has spoken abt this property.. What does she suggest? Can you state her reason or tell me where to find this info? 2nd Gen would benefit from studying/living in a more pure and stable environment.

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Hi, I heard some employees get high payroll. You may need check your management! How much you paying for employees payroll?. When you were getting big money from Japan to running UTS did you carefully spend each dollar? And did you know some day the school going to be independents? All those things are my question now. Good lack.

10/26/2013 9:09 PM

uts is one of the only places it feels safe to be a bc. i dont want it to be shut down. maybe i want to go to barrytown college but i cant if there's no college. pls dont shut it down. pls keep it open.

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WE HAVE TO KEEP THIS! DON"T LET THEM SHUT IT DOWN

10/26/2013 8:35 PM

The American movements needs to change higher education in order to gain any traction with future generations. Flower-stand witnessing won't get the kinds of leaders we need for the 21st century and beyond. It seems that Barrytown college and UTS has the best chance at that.

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we cant close it!!! 2nd gen need somewhere like this. we cant close it.

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Shutting either of these institutions down would be a death sentence for the American movement.

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Working together with the University of Bridgeport to convert it into a UB campus, at least part of the building.

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Add an ESL department and TESOL Master's course. You can get a lot of foreign students who want to study English in America. Open it up to online students. A lot of members can't afford the living expenses or leave their jobs. And, maybe they can't get the student loans and grants that they can in other universities. Also, if UTS is really setting a standard of purity and absolute sex, then keep it - if not, we don't need it.

10/26/2013 7:02 PM

Father loves UTS; it has been a beacon of hope that we actually DO value thoughtfulness, critical thinking and analysis beyond a Confucian rote learning model. Let us become useful in the applications of DP. LIKE relationship institute; perhaps more in performing arts, get some marketing going. Maybe I could help with some of that

10/26/2013 6:36 PM

Theology courses in Korea / Japan are not in English. This is an asset that needs to be promoted. 10/26/2013 5:52 PM

Running a university will never be a get rich quick endeavor. Barrytown College just got accreditation in February 2013. 20+ students in year one is amazing for a start-up university. Barrytown College should be given a chance to grow that number. Also, adding in grant writing and fundraising would get BC in the black quicker. My husband knows the CFO of Bard College. My husband stated that they only made \$300,000 from their student body once it was taken over by new management. Bard raised moneys through grants and fund raising. Bard acquired Simon Rock in Massachusetts. According to the CFO, they are not out of the woods yet but they are showing a sizable profit every year.

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UTS may be an institution of the past, but Barrytown College is clearly an institution for the future of our movement. Why in the world would HSA, after investing money in Barrytown College for two years, decide to stop funding it during the middle of its first semester? Insanity. HSA should be doing all it can to make sure that this new educational endeavor might succeed, and all it keeps doing is throwing water on the burning embers. I am so ashamed of my church and for their faithless observance, or lack there of, regarding True Father's commitment to education.

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Create an educational path for Unificationist pastor for training.

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It has historical value!

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Stand your ground. If church officials want to take Barrytown make them take it by force. Stage a sit in. Remember Tienamen Square! Remember Kent State! Take personal responsibility and make Barrytown College your own. Be optimistic!

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The property is extremely unique and valuable. Even if the educational mission is in question it should be kept for other uses.

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One of the things Mother is doing in Korea is creating education of second gen. We are expecting the church in America to grow. Having this college will be important. Also if we sell this considering its history, we will be very sorry in the future. It will be very valuable. Mother talks about making a museum, Barrytown is already a museum.

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How can peoplel want to close the college after 8 weeks of classes? Give it two years at least.

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The potential that Barrytown College has is not only a college that applies Unificationism and is a safe spiritual environment but it is also what it is not compared to other colleges. I've witnessed the indoctrination of Marxism in my School and others I've talked to from Ivy League schools. From Global Warming, to false sex ideology, to false history, and lastly to imitate China's idea of controlling population which means to depopulate through mass force abortion and having a 1-2 child policy. Barrytown College does not only give 2nd gen an opportunity to be in an safe intellectual spiritual environment but also others who are not from the church to learn of such things and not be indoctrinated to what is so false in the other colleges right now. When I learned about Barrytown College I had hopes when I become a parent, I would definitely want my children to enroll in it and play for it's sports teams. The idea of it being like BYU might be pretty far but it is not impossible with the foundation we have for this church.

10/26/2013 12:00 AM

The problem with UTS is intimately connected to problems of our church in America. We cannot solve one without the other. Our church here has been decapitated (twice), and essentially we have no leadership. UTS should be invaluable and central to our American church structure, but it cannot be successful without a strong leadership here in the States that values our American

church and supports the need for UTS. Mere survival seems to be the best we can hope for right now - but because of the importance of Barrytown for our church in America we should at least try for that. In general I am deeply disturbed by the direction leadership in Korea seems to be taking our church. Why was Hyung Jin Nim replaced???!!! To be honest if UTS is lost America is in trouble, and if America is lost the world is in trouble.

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UTS is Rev. Moon's signature for world education by having people from around the world to learn together

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It should be noted that 2nd Gen have very few venues at which to congregate in large numbers. By selling UTS, the 2nd Gen group identity and cohesion would eventually break down.

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Consider setting up a two year junior college. More second gen would be inclined to attend as an alternative or supplement to STF or NGA programs. Studying for four years is a big investment, so establishing a two year associates program is worth looking into.

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Since Barrytown property is zoned for education it's better to keep going with the College and other educational programs. How about programs like Omega Institute as well?

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Seems like it has so much potential but I don't see how bcs who go there will find a future outside of the church. If the are pursuing a job that is related to church that's one thing but in other ways it seems very limiting...but I also can't say much since I never attended! These are just opinions based on what friends have told me

10/26/2013 9:45 AM

Did the UTS Board of Directors approve this survey for usage? The response choices are emotionally charged and lacking respect for the depth of the problem. I often couldn't find a response that represents an honest answer. No one wants UTS to close, but this situation is a long time coming. Why isn't one of the options to remove long time board members, administrators and consultants who have been unable to lead the school into sustainability after 10 or more years of effort? Why isn't Bridgeport offered as an option for members to consider although it's not a perfect option? This survey lacks respect for the complexity of the problems UTS encounters and provides inadequate response options for a serious dilemma.

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It is a blessing to have that property for 1st and 2nd gen to use - The history alone of T Father's input and investment there makes it valuable beyond words. I believe every effort should be made to help the college to take off - it needs to be given a chance! A few months is crazy - no college brings in a profit after one semester! It builds up as it gets known. Bring in a capable admissions director, with assistant, who can outreach and bring in many more students , it's worth the investment. The students will pay, the more you have the better. nal institution covers it's costs in the first semester

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If I think of all the amazing property of UTS and all the people living there, I envision a thriving sustainable intentional community reaching out to the world. Father's words: The importance of education! The ultimate purpose of religion is to bring about the reality of a human community filled with love and peace. This is God's Will. It is not easy to create an environment where people's hearts are filled with a craving for peace. Continuous education is the only solution. (From "AS A PEACE-LOVING GLOBAL CITIZEN", the autobiography of Rev. Sun Myung Moon) please also see my homepage at www.creatingthenewwe.info for more examples of community-building.

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For me, living outside USA, Barrytown has to compete with Sun Moon University which is offering international scholarships. I think UTS Alumni (international) and USA Blessed families will need to take ownership of this issue to the point where church leadership cannot be allowed to let Barrytown College sink.

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I think that academically (and perhaps financially), it should model itself after colleges such as King's College in Manhattan, Hillsdale in Michigan, Grove City in Pennsylvania and others that have really strong core curricula that are conservative and morally based. http://www.forbes.com/sites/jerrybowyer/2013/10/10/the-book-of-revelation-is-hayekian/

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Imagine TRUE FATHER in spirit world. Don't let this go. 10/26/2013 12:02 AM

Dr. Panzer's "Does Barrytown College & UTS Have a Future?" presents a compelling vision for a college that can be a catalyst for a change in our nation's culture. I did not know about this before.

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If second gen think they can get as good an education at Barrytown College as at secular colleges and universities they would be more than happy to attend.

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I can't imagine that Reverend Moon would want the Barrytown property sold.

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UTS is the only institution of higher learning remaining in the Unification family outside Korea. Given TF's investment in UTS and its graduates and the vision he had to bring Unification teaching to influence the world, it would be a tragedy to see it go and to me would represent a disastrous retreat. I am certain that through restructuring the institution can be focused to not only prosper but to also fulfill what TF intended when he founded UTS.

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It can be used more intensely for workshop and other church activities like before.

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UTS has good purpose, but very dependable program to the church. If it can't be managed to survive by itself, it should be considered to be eliminated specially when there aren't enough students. Our U.S. church needs financial profit by itself as soon as possible as we could not do for last few decades. UTS shall come back for future for better education for our Western church development, but now is simply not the time.

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bring the campus back to Barrytown and encourage all alumni to contribute monthly even a small fee

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I like Unificationists and Barrytown, but I have a hard time supporting a college that is focused exclusively on Unificationists. I don't think it will succeed if that is the focus. If it were focused on being a conservative college that encourages spirituality and virtuous living, I would be quicker to open my wallet and encourage young people - of many backgrounds - to attend the school.

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This is a precious property that TF visited many times - President Kim also invested so much heart and spirit into the program. It is vital to our American movement to preserve the property and the institution. In time, it will pay for itself, if it is managed correctly.

10/25/2013 8:28 PM

Since TF has asked DMN to start CP in other continents yrs ago, Barrytown was used for for sisters' 21 day ws and ceremonies with DMN a few yrs ago-she promised to come the next year. Did not though. I have asked our D Pastor Lamson and DMN in e mails when will she return. Answer always the same. "When I am invited." Something happened and I can only guess it was leadership that stopped her. She goes to Europe every other year. Why not here? Barrytown, has

the facilities. I realize that members have different points of view even leaders too of the importance and value of liberation and blessing ceremonies and healing repentence etc. I certainly need it. But my husband and I cannot afford to go to CP-our choice was to offer for 210 generations lib and bl offerings-BUT we and many of us need to attend the ceremonies again and clean out these spirits...Please consider this suggestion with an earnest plea from my heart. I am soon 68 and very much alive. I cant retire but work at nights with smallwage. 2. suggestion: look at Hillsdale College projects which reach out in a number of ways. Are you familiar with it? They send a free newsletter to anyone asking and it contains a clear form asking for donations and they have no dependence on the government financially and is very conservative. Free online classes on the Constitution etc. karenrozier@yahoo.com

10/25/2013 8:06 PM

True Father invested in UTS as a seminary very early in US church history and sent hundreds of college-educated Unificationists to UTS. The advent of the undergraduate college (aka Barrytown College) connected to the seminary gives us options we have never had before. PLEASE invest in making this valuable option work. FIND A WAY to make harmony with each other AND keep the undergraduate program going. How else are we going to be prepared to educate all the people we expect to join the Family Federation in the lead up to the 2020 goals? Buck up, folks! I'd be willing to donate!

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I can't imagine not having Barrytown campus for the use of educating our 2nd Gen as well as all the other uses it serves. I helped build Father's trail and then Mother's trail was a project of my class ('81) when I was in seminary. I also went through Barrytown training in '75. Barrytown/UTS is in every way my Alma Mater. If there is any possible way to save this Holy Ground, please do so.

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televise sportsfest. draw national interest in live sporting events. 10/25/2013 7:01 PM

Tell Preston Moon to donate some money that currently in his possession. 10/25/2013 6:48 PM

Cut costs. 10/25/2013 6:39 PM

I believe in higher ed. 2nd Gen need a headquarter and a place to develop their identity. Considering there are no places in the US that can foster a growing environment (church centers are not enough) to develop our 2nd gen identity. Taking away UTS is another thing you are taking away from 2nd Gen. We don't have many resources, we don't have a safe place to foster our identity, we barely have true children and now we won't have education accessible for our movement and future. Please consider keeping it during this time of hardship and wait for our 2nd gen to grow and utilize this resource.

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UTS has not generated much because it has not taught people what the real world is like. Neither has the Unification Church, sorry to say. Calling everything else "fallen" is just not working. Without understanding what life and the world is like, one cannot successfully navigate through it, and hardly change anything for better. Too many members have become compliant followers. Please shut down UTS, but give the liberal arts college a try.

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Rent out space for Event, concert, Wedding Receptions, involve every possible opportunity in town of Barrytown, flyer distribute and use Media for recruit. Keep enrolling Students..

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I know there are talented, realistic and sincere people working on these issues: they deserve some time to try and make it work. And the president at bard can go fuck himself.

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A lot of mistakes have been made, especially in how the money was spent. Humility might help. Going forward, I believe a Divinity degree should be a requirement for pastoring a UC church. That would set a certain standard across all churches, and give UTS the enrollment and purpose it needs. We could give current pastors a 5 year time period to get their degree. And make it as easy as possible to obtain one, with many options for taking classes.

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I go to BYU right now, which is a Mormon University. I know that they too had humble beginnings, but now it is such an amazing thing for their church, a prestigious university and a place with strong faith and values. That is my dream of what Barrytown could one day become. Its always hard to start, stick with it!

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I believe there is spiritual value and probably a practical value to keeping UTS but I do not have enough information to make an informed decision.

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I understand the tremendous burden \$700,000 is for the church leadership to take responsibility for, but it would be a sad day if the decision was made to sell the property. We have to find a way to support it until it can get on its own two feet.

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Use part of the grounds for agricultural purposes. 10/25/2013 5:23 PM

That building is the only place for the North-Eastern members including Canada, to meet for workshops, lectures, conferences and community church service. We should offer those great

facilities that UTS propriety has to other groups communities (outside our church) for gathering, weekend retreat etc. That's the way many institution can survive the cost of keeping a campus like we have.

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To sell them off would be criminal! 10/25/2013 5:05 PM

Because Father spent so much time and effort on the property, it would rip the heart of the movement out of the U.S. Given this fact that Father's children are well off and reaping the fruits of our labors, I feel we need to take back control of the movement as members who invested so much into the future. Bounce we sell off Barrytown and the rest of the properties throughout the country, we are left with nothing that will keep the 2nd gen engaged. Kiss the movement goodbye in the USA as it will be just a movement for Koreans and shrink into oblivion.

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The location is inconvenient. It's too far from the airport. 10/25/2013 4:20 PM

Honestly, it's a beautiful property. Both...aesthetically, and spiritually. And the school itself has so much potential. Its programs really foster growth in young people.

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If there are people dedicated to make it work, God and spirit world will help.

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UTS grounds are beautiful, and have great spiritual significance. A question to ask would be, in the future, if the church needed a large area for holding workshops, or events, how easy would it be to get something as great as UTS? The grounds are essentially irreplaceable, and it would be a travesty if they were sold.

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UTS has so much precious history for numerous Unificationists and should be treated with respect. Not only for countless 1st gen parents but for many 2nd gen who found God at UTS, made their best friends at UTS, saw True Parents at UTS, had their families and lived at UTS, the loss of UTS would be heart breaking and dehabilitating. Barrytown college is making strides to fulfill Father's original dream and vision for the UTS property, whomever is blind enough to think that one can put a price tag on that needs to broaden their perspective. True Mother is adamant about focusing on educating young Unificationists and to think that supporting the future of American young Unificationists isn't in line with that vision is bizarre and biased.

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Closing down Barrytown College after only 1 semester sounds like suicide for the church's relationship to the NYSED. Is the church absolutely certain they never want to open a school in NY state ever again?

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Don't shut it down. Please. 10/25/2013 3:17 PM

It's been my home and the backbone to all my faith. 10/25/2013 2:48 PM

Is UTS fulfilling its purpose originally founded by TF, meaning all the graduates doing what they were expected of doing by its Founder? How many of the graduates are doing what TF expected them of doing out of all the graduates since its establishment? If it costs too much to maintain UTS, why not sell it and those professors not been able to teach the course in other educational institutions around the world instead of we do everything ourselves and not attracting enough students to justify the costs? BTW, if kingdom of heaven is nearing, do we need religions and their related teachings? I feel High school education need to change accommodating Unification Thought into their curriculum as norms. What's your thoughts? Thank you.

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Bridgeport U is successful and has a four year undergrad program. UTS might continue, but it should become a program to train UC ministers and pastors in leadership, ministry, management, counseling, preaching, community organizing, etc. Its focus on theology is of little use or interest to most Unificationists of both genersations

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I think Barrytown College is an amazing idea and it is unbelievable that anyone would even consider getting rid of the property in its entirety after just one semester. Losing UTS would a HUGE loss to all Unificationists.

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Along with Belvedere and East Garden, the Barrytown property is a most historic and precious site for our members and should never be sold! 10/25/2013 2:24 PM

This is an historic location. Father spoke to members here hundreds of times during 1975 alone, including the Foreign Missionaries. Not to mention during the next several years.

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UTS is such a tremendous property in its location, beauty, history, as a retreat & conference center, the founder's vision, & other ways it would be a shame to sell it especially for a low price. I propose steady, however slow, progress to turn it into the gem of an institution it can be.

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UTS is an asset. Although it is expensive now with some business thinking we can utilize it to make us money. Also, because it's a spiritual staple for many in the movemenet I think it's important to have a Mecca in the US. Although we have True Parent's home's and holy grounds through out the US, UTS holds a different spiritual significance. There are many properties like this outside of the Unification world that makes the owner tons of revenue. Let us make UTS such a property.

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We need it! It is such a versatile location that can be used for so many things. It is a great property with great potential. lets give the program a chance to succeed. It is vital to have an education system that caters to UT. the best way to pass along ideology and tradition in adulthood is through the college system. This is a time when many minds and life paths are molded. We need a place where members can send their children and where others who have a wholesome standard can send their children to be educated. If we want to have good leaders and future leaders we need a place to educate them!

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Even if it is not kept as an educational institution it is one of our movement's most iconic and valuable places that we own, even if it is unprofitable.

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I think it needs to serve the larger community there more, to bring in local people and let them receive value from it's presence. I think the principle of servant leadership and offering everything for the public purpose is the way to kickstart the flow of support. I think the "ivory tower" approach is over. Even within the UM community, how has the seminary ever really served the larger membership? The concept of a bucolic learning environment doesn't lend itself to large-scale relevance or transformational leadership. New thinking is needed, and new purpose.

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It's in the formation stage. It needs time to renovate, to expand it's awareness to non-Unificationists and Unificationists, and to become the college that many people want to go to.

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My father graduated from UTS. Although my family lives on the west coast, I was born nearby, and every time I go east, I love learning about the deep spiritual history there. I believe that every ministry, program, event, etc should be self sufficient. One of the most disappointing things I saw growing up was squandering funds on minsters or projects that meant nothing in the long run. I don't believe that UTS should be given hand outs, and it seems like if it is on track to grow on its own without subsidies. There is no point in killing it now. There was a huge investment into the property, and it hasn't been given the chance to shine. Let it keep it's doors open.

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UTS is special to our movement and True Father's legacy. It saddens me to think we might lose that. 10/25/2013 1:32 PM

If there is a way for someone to encourage Mother to follow through on dropping the law suites as she stated that she wanted to happen and then there would be money available for educating young folks. Could parts of the campus be rented out for retreats from other folks to help off set the cost of operation?

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These institutions represent honoring the legacy of Father and honoring the future of our movement and America. If America continues to decline it will pull Korea and the world down with it.

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UTS property has spiritual significance to me and my family. 10/25/2013 1:17 PM

We should all become more involved. 10/25/2013 1:16 PM

I think it is extremely valuable to have an undergraduate program that is fully Unificationist. I have just finished my undergraduate degree at a Lutheran liberal arts college, and while it was still more godly than other options, the standards are different. Give Barrytown College a chance!

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I am angry about the whole history of UTS's relationship with the Church because it NEVER became the central training place for church leaders. Unlike other denominations, our seminary was a joke. Church leaders were never even paid. It is a miserable legacy how the church acquired city-state leaders and never really used the seminary.

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UTS and Barrytown College should champion the promotion of Applied Unificationism by regularly organizing short seminars on themes that would interest policy makers, professionals etc. This can also generate funds if well presented.

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Volunteering by retired people! 10/25/2013 12:40 AM

Barrytown College has been initiated and offered up by membership rather than top-down. This is a wonderful opportunity to create something of value to American the movement by the American movement.

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If TF were with us and a person holding a HSA position proposed to sell UTS property because of 'financial difficulty' I suppose TF would fire that person immediately. Why? Because that person has no faith and lacks Father's vision. Not only that, but he's a fool to let it go.

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As a student currently enrolled at Barrytown College, I have to say I have never been in a more spiritually-enriching, challenging, and supportive environment in which I can grow emotionally, intellectually, and heartistically. My hope is that Barrytown can continue to be offered to 2nd gen as a great community for spiritual growth and learning, and also as an institution where students can become well-prepared to accept roles in leadership and ministry, and become positive agents for change in America, and perhaps the world as well. I sincerely hope that Barrytown College will endure, surviving past this initial struggle.

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UTS offers a way for African Unificationists and friends to be educated in spiritual leadership. Also, having and MDiv or a DMin from a U.S. educational institution has clout in Africa. Visa restrictions and transportation costs are problems that can be partially dealt with by offering courses online or developing self-supporting satellite campuses in Africa and perhaps other parts of the world that would help support the Barrytown campus.

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Because there is much to clarify with the Faith and Unificationism itself I feel it is premature to have a Unificationist school. There simply aren't enough college-age Unificationists to justify a school at this time. And, Unificationists can make a bigger impact on their world at a more established institution. We do need basic education for those who want to become officially recognized as Unificationist Pastors where core tenets, beliefs, vision are taught. But it would need to be something convenient such as a weekend course or online course to work with the 20/20 vision.

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It has surprised me to see the quality of the students at BC. I expected problem children, but we have wonderful motivated and determined students

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I am sure there are ways to squeeze more out of the property. Who is on the Board working on this? I would like to know and perhaps support.

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True Father would like to see it a growing institution and not close it down.

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As a 40 year member of the Church, I know the history and value of the property. I answered many of the questions as "give it a chance". As with so many properties and projects, they would have been successful if we had grown. I still have the hope of growth!

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If HSA sells the property, I will never give one cent to them again. All the money and all the crazy things they have done. Help develop Kick Starter programs to help fund programs, students, publishing, etc.

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It is such a precious building. Let's try and keep it and recruit students. I would love to teach there but I only have a B.A.

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Many first generation people are getting quite elderly yet have limited means. I am wondering if the UTS property could be used as an "intentional adult educational community." I read all the zoning information carefully, and it seems possible that as long as people are being educated (possibly in such a way as to viably "reinvent themselves" or to start new businesses or to work on advanced degrees for their own interest) the zoning laws would not intervene. It could be an "adult education" facility, with communal eating, cooperative work (everyone contributes a "work commitment" to keep the grounds up, prepare, serve, and clean up after meals, etc.). Everyone is required to be studying something for self-improvement. Since most people will be getting Social Security checks at least, residents will have some guaranteed income which they can turn over to the facility. Living communally should be less expensive than everyone living separately. Just some thoughts.

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There are no free rides; if the seminary is under performing, it should be redesigned or eliminated. The Undergraduate college has potential and, if it can, in fact, become self-sustaining in two years, then it would make no sense to cut it now. 10/25/2013 11:20 AM