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MEMO: BFD 2010-10-23

To: District Directors, State & Church Leaders, Blessed Central Families

From: National Blessed Family Department

Re: "INTRODUCTION TO THE BLESSING WORKSHOP"

Date: November 12-14, 2010 at UTS Conference Center in Barrytown, NY

In accordance with the emphasis of our National President, Rev. In Jin Moon, upon Blessed Children's education and the importance of maturity and preparation for the Blessing, an enhanced system of Blessing education is in development, comprised of three distinct levels. As announced last month, a "first level" Blessing workshop, "An Introduction to the Blessing," will be held November 12-14, 2010 at the UTS Conference Center in Barrytown, NY.

This program is designed for those 16 and older, based upon a foundation of earlier age-appropriate character, purity and Blessing education. It addresses the value of the Blessing, its historical foundation and the importance of lineage, as well as practical issues such as why Unificationists don't date, how the Blessing differs from marriage, and key points of preparation such as character development, personal identity, spiritual life, etc.

A "Level II" Blessing workshop, "Preparing for the Matching," is planned for December 17-19 in Barrytown. A "Level III" workshop for engaged and newly Blessed couples will take place early next year. In addition, materials for these programs are being developed for small group study, online education, and local workshops around the country next year. For the November 12-14 workshop:

I. REGISTRATION AND DEADLINES

Participants can register online in the members' area on the Familyfed website, or directly by clicking on the following link:

http://www.familyfed.org/members/index.php?option=com_wrapper&view=wrapper<emid=781

The workshop fee is \$120 per participant (to cover costs), and should be paid at the time of registration at the workshop. However, participants must register no later than November 9th. The fee for those who register after November 9, or at the workshop itself, is \$150.

II. WORKSHOP SCHEDULE AND LOCATION

The program will begin at UTS in Barrytown, NY on Friday, November 12. Registration begins at 5:00 PM. Dinner is at 6:00 PM, and the official program begins at 7:00 PM. The workshop will conclude at 4:00 PM on Sunday, November 14 at the Manhattan Center in New York City, after Lovin' Life Worship and activities.

III. TRANSPORTATION

Transportation to UTS will be provided Friday afternoon from the New Yorker Hotel, 481 Eighth Avenue in Manhattan, for a cost of \$15 per person, but must be reserved in advance on the

registration form. Transportation to UTS from the Rhinecliff/Kingston Station (Amtrak) upon arrival on Friday is free, but must be reserved on the registration form. Transportation from UTS to Manhattan Sunday morning will be provided for all participants.

For questions or additional information, contact BFDadmin@unification.org, or your district BFD.

May God bless you.

Sincerely,

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