# **Belvedere Family Church Newsletter Dec. 8**

Drissa Kone December 8, 2016



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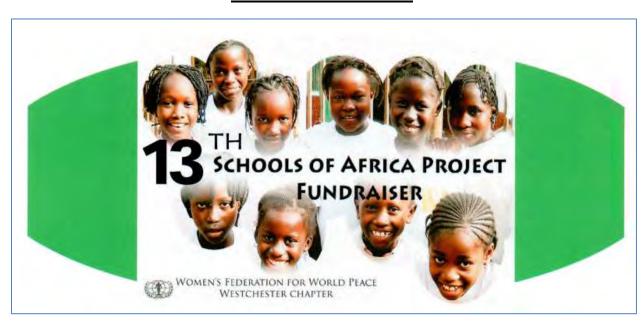
### **Greetings BFC families!**

It's been a busy past couple of weeks with True Mother visiting NY. Thank you to all our families who have come to the various events to show dedication and support! Let us continue to pray for True Mother's health and victory as she continues on with her mission.

As for this coming Sunday, we will be receiving a special sermon by Andrew Love. He will also hold a seminar on the national crisis of porn addiction right after service from 12PM. Click below to read a quick bio on Andrew Love.

See you Sunday!

### **Read Bio on Andrew Love**



# WFWP 13th Annual Benefit & Silent Auction: Schools of Africa Project

This Saturday, Dec. 10th, WFWP will be hosting the 13th Annual Benefit & Silent Auction for the Schools of Africa Project. The event will be from 2PM-5PM at the Eileen Fisher Inc. Hudson River Event Hall. Please see the attached flyer below for more details. This is a great event to bring your family, friends, co-workers or neighbors.

### **See Flyer**



Attached is our December 2016 Council Newsletter!
-From the BFC Council

### Read BFC Council Newsletter



### **HIGH SCHOOL WINTER WORKSHOP 2016**

Dear NJ and NY communities,

This December there will be a winter workshop for Blessed Children in high school (ages 14-18). The theme of the workshop is "Becoming the Light of the World," and it involves character building as well as faith and spiritual education. The time that kids are in high school is the most precious time because it is when you learn, grow, and develop into your true selves. Workshops are a great place for youth to really develop their life of faith and build connections with other BCs that last a lifetime, so we really encourage you to send your children to this workshop and encourage other families that have high school aged children (14-18).

### Details of the workshop:

Dates: Tuesday, December 27th at 5PM - Saturday, December 31st at 2PM Location: YMCA Camp Bernie, 327 Turkey Top Rd, Port Murray, NJ 07865

Early Bird Cost: \$285 (\$250 for any additional family member)

EARLY BIRD CLOSES ON DECEMBER 11TH

Late Registration: \$300

# PLEASE FOLLOW THIS LINK TO REGISTER:

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# Questions?

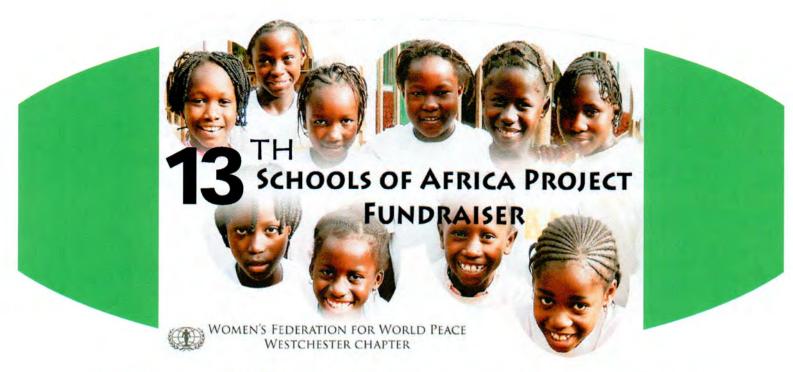
Contact: Amy Alexander at <a href="mailto:eastcoastworkshops@gmail.com">eastcoastworkshops@gmail.com</a>

Thanks so much, Yuki Jones Camarie Eaton Andrew Love was born in Toronto, Canada for 22 years and then moved to America to pursue comedy. He joined the Unification Movement in 2009 and became a missionary in California as well as New York City until becoming a pastor in 2012.

He recently became the Pastor for the New Hope Family Church in Maryland. In 2012, he received the Marriage Blessing with Uyanga Khuukhnee, originally from the countryside in Mongolia in 2012. Together they have two children.

# **Topic: What is a True Spiritual Family?**





# Benefit & Silent Auction for the School of Africa Project

Saturday, December 10th 2016 2:00 pm ~ 5:00 pm

at EILEEN FISHER INC. HUDSON RIVER EVENT HALL

2 Bridge Street, 2nd Building Irvington, NY 10533

\$50.00 - Individual

\$35.00 - Student

(Tax deductible)



# **Refreshments & Entertainment**

More Information call Chairwomen, Mrs. Renate Sato at (914) 419-7147

**Council Mission Statement (2015-2017)** ~ Our mission is to be a driving force for the community, and to support the Head Pastor, by establishing a clear organizational structure and thriving financial base, resulting in a vibrant, God-centered culture within our families and community.

# 2016-2017 Annual Budget Approval

This year it took many meetings of the Financial Committee, our Bookkeeper, Akiko Shields and the Council to come up with an annual budget we could approve. However, after much discussion and hard work, we have approved the Annual Budget! Though there are some financial challenges with our current expenses, there is a plan being developed to increase our income. A mid-year financial report will be provided to the community approximately February/March 2017.

# **Camp Sunrise Decision**

Despite last year's council's recommendations for debt prevention, due to reduced attendance and decreased income, Camp Sunrise this year has a debt of \$46,000. Because BFC sends the most youth to camp than any other neighboring church community, BFC is responsible for 40% of any debt. This year we need to pay \$18,000. As much as we all value Camp Sunrise, the community need s to make a decision about keeping the CS property or not. The council has stated to the CS board that we would only continue to support CS in 2017 if the community agrees to continue to support Camp Sunrise. For this reason we administered a community survey from 11/20 to 12/4.

# **Belvedere Property Rental Agreement**

At the November Council meeting, representing HSA-UWC Belvedere Properties Management, Mike McDevitt gave a report to the Council about plans for renting out the Belvedere Property to bring in income, and discussed how that would affect the Belvedere Family Church. We were encouraged hearing the good potential for more revenue by opening up our beautiful property for public use. This could begin this spring. A draft rental agreement between HSA-UWC and Belvedere Family Church for use of the Belvedere Property was presented, and we are moving forward with fine-tuning the agreement. Once it is finalized, we will let you know.

from the BFC Council

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**Chris Perkins** Vice Chairperson









The Belvedere Family Church Council welcomes your input!

Please email your comments, questions or suggestions to bfc-council@googlegroups.com



<u>Finance Committee</u> (Council Representative Yuki Jones)

A new member has joined the finance committee, Charles Patterson! His active involvement in the community and business knowledge will be an excellent asset for the committee.

# Youth Ministry (Council Representative Akiko Morris)

We are happy to have Wonky Todd, representing CARP activities, join the committee and contribute his investment with college-age members. Toyo Hagiwara reported that Up and Coming has been focused on the theme of INSPIRE which is about making and taking responsibility for our personal relationship with God. Testimonies during UC were heard from our older brothers, encouraging everyone to see that they are at a perfect place to make that next step towards building that connection with their Heavenly Parent.

# <u>Outreach Committee</u> (Council Representative Peter Reiner)

The committee is making plans to expand the outreach beyond ACLC such inviting guests to Dr. Kone's DP lecture events, Sunday Service and cultural and educational events. Julie Okamoto has loyally served BFC for many years as paid outreach coordinator. Although the outreach coordinator is

no longer a paid position we are grateful that Julie is happy to continue in volunteering her energies and enthusiasm to outreach. Thank you Julie. With this expanded focus on outreach, the committee is welcoming new members and volunteers for leading the committee. Dr. Kone plans to educate the new BFC Outreach team about his ambitions to witness to three different types of people: those interested in a church, young people interested in activities and non-religious people interested in small groups and social action.

# Sunday Service Committee

(Council Representative Sun-Ae Patterson)

A newly formed Ad-hoc Committee on Staging Upgrade, consisting of Jonathan Gullery, Charles Patterson, Dominic Barber and David Wolf will ramp up the progress in improving the stage, sound system and lighting. The UC staff will also be involved as the youth ministry will enjoy updates for their programs. A special Christmas Service and Party is being planned for the evening of December 18th at 5:00pm.

# **Upcoming Council Meeting**

Our next Council <u>business meeting</u> is scheduled for Saturday December 17th, from 10 am to 12 noon, at the White House.

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IMPORTANT NOTE FOR VISITORS: Visitors are very welcome - but please be aware that our agenda is usually very full. If visitors would like to suggest an issue to be discussed or to be given time to express an opinion, they should contact the council (any council member) at least one week before the meeting.



# Winter Workshop 2016: Becoming The Light Of The World!

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Theme: Becoming the light of the world

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HSA-UWC of NJ)

Early Bird closes on December 11

Late Registration: \$300

Accepting Registration Fee during this time. Please hand in registration fees anytime after registering to either Yuki Jones or Amy Alexander, or at the door on December 27th.

For any questions contact us at  $\underline{eastcoastworkshops@gmail.com}.$ 

Registration is open!

\* Required

Grade \*

9th

10th

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