

## FFWPU USA Blessing and Family Ministry: 2026 Couple - Ramika and Koji

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# Blessing & Family Ministry Newsletter

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Hello family. Featured Blessing couple. 1st Gen info session this week. HN radiant. Young Couples retreat. North America-Japan networking online event. A cup of tea.

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*what's new?*

## On the Path to Forever: 2026 Blessing Couple



We are excited to feature one of our newly Blessed couples! Their journey reflects faith, intentional preparation, and a shared commitment to building a God-centered marriage. As they take this next step, let their story inspire all of us—especially those still on the journey—to trust the process and invest deeply in relationships rooted in purpose. Please keep them in your prayers as they begin their Blessed life together.

[watch here](#)

## *events*

# 1st Gen Single Info Session- This Thursday May 21 at 7 Pm EST

**1st GEN INFO SESSIONS**  
FOR ALL SINGLES WHO SEEK A FUTURE MARRIAGE-BLESSING

**JOIN OUR MONTHLY ZOOM CALLS!**  
These meetings are designed to help you get to know one another in a warm and welcoming environment. They provide a space where you can ask questions and receive clear guidance about the matching and Blessing process. You'll also have the opportunity to share your experiences from the past month. Overall, these gatherings are meant to deepen your connection and support you on your journey together.



**MAY 21, 2026**  
(EVERY 3<sup>RD</sup> THURSDAY)  
**@ 7 PM EST**

**Led by:**  
Alice Fleisher, Erinah Ntamack, Anne-Marie Mylar

**For registration:**  
<https://forms.gle/dAHyqV3Exg96Nwpc8>

**For any questions:**  
[matching@unification.org](mailto:matching@unification.org)



We're excited to share that the 1st Gen single Info Session will be happening next week at 7 pm EST! This is a wonderful opportunity to stay connected, receive valuable education, and grow together in preparation for the Blessing.

If you are a first-generation single, this space is especially for you—offering guidance, community, and support as you navigate your journey.

**We encourage you to register even if you are unable to attend this session.** By signing up you'll be added to the mailing list and receive helpful updates, reminders, and resources leading up to each session.

Come connect, learn, and take the next step forward—we look forward to seeing you there!

[register here](#)

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## Radiant- Newly Blessed - High Noon Education for Newly Blessed Couples



ARE YOU  
NEWLY  
BLESSED?

Start your sexual  
relationship  
with God at the  
center

MAY 22

[highnoon.org/blessed](https://highnoon.org/blessed)



High Noon is beginning a series of online sessions focused on starting sexual intimacy in a God-centered and healthy way as newly Blessed couples.

Many couples naturally feel nervous or uncertain entering this part of married life, and these sessions are designed to provide clarity, guidance, and confidence.

**Sessions begin:** May 22, 2026

[register here](#)

## Thriving: A Young Blessed Couple Retreat- LAST WEEK TO REGISTER Deadline May 22!

# SAVE THE DATE!

## JUNE 5 - 7, 2026

Location: Watervliet, MI

**REGISTER BY MAY 22!**

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: MAY 22<sup>ND</sup> 2026



**FEE: \$180 PER PERSON**  
\$160 per person (for Newly Blessed couples)

### THRIVING IN A BLESSED MARRIAGE RETREAT

**A YOUNG COUPLES**

Renew your love, deepen your intimacy, and envision the next steps for your Blessing through marriage guidance, fun activities, testimonies and more!

Join us this summer for our first Midwest Young Couples Retreat - "Thriving" in a Blessed Marriage! Renew your love, deepen your intimacy, and envision the next steps for your Blessing through marriage guidance, testimonies, fun activities and more! This is a weekend designed to enrich your marriage. Learn from marriage therapists/ coaches about healthy communication and conflict resolution, heavenly intimacy, finances, parenting and more!

Topics will include:

- How to resolve conflict in a healthy way
- Managing expectations in marriage
- Heavenly intimacy and sexuality
- Managing finances
- Activities including Date night, vision board building, and breakouts of various topics.

Featured Speakers: Debby Gullery and John & Sandra Lowen

Who: Young Blessed couples and families

When: June 5 -7, 2026

Where: Camp KOHOE

[9327 Red Arrow Hwy, Watervliet, MI 49098](#)

Lodging: Each couple/ family will have their own room. Those recently Blessed in May 2026 will be separated by gender.

Transportation: We will not provide transportation, please make your own accommodations.

**Retreat Fee:**

- \$180 per person
- \$160 per person (Newly Blessed Couples will be separated by gender)

This covers meals, accommodations, the carefully crafted program for your couple, and the beautiful Camp KOHOE experience!

*DEADLINE: Friday May 22<sup>nd</sup>*

[register here](#)

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North America–Japan Online Singles  
Networking Event- Date Change to June 26  
9 PM EDT

**NEW!**

## 3<sup>rd</sup> North America- Japan Online Networking Event



~~May 22nd, 2026~~ → **Date changed to June 26th**  
9pm to 12 am (EDT) / 6pm to 9pm (PDT)

This online networking is for the second generation who are between 22 to 39 years old. This is a great opportunity to get to know brothers and sisters who are looking for their eternal soul-mate from Japan & North America!

- **Small group discussion**
- **1 on 1 conversation**



**More  
information or  
Register:  
Link**



New Date! The North American- Japanese Online Singles Networking event has moved to **June 26**. We are sorry for any inconvenience this has caused. We appreciate your flexibility and hope you can still join us for this meaningful opportunity to connect with single second-generation brothers and sisters who are sincerely preparing for the Blessing. More than just a social event, this is a space to build genuine and meaningful connections across cultures with others who are serious about their future and faith.

**Real results:** Previous events have already led to successful matches, with couples even getting blessed at this year's Blessing!

### **Why join?**

If you are open to an international Blessing or simply want to meet like-minded people with a serious heart toward the Blessing, this is a valuable next step.

**Date:** Friday, May 22

**Time:** 9:00 PM – 12:00 AM (EDT) / 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM (PDT)

[details](#)

[join here](#)

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*food for thought*

## Mindfulness: A Cup of Tea



by Myrna Lapres

A famous Zen master is visited by a student seeking instructions in the way of Zen Buddhism. The master begins to discuss several topics of Buddhism like emptiness, mindfulness, and meditation. But the student interrupts the master, saying, “Oh, I already know that.” The master then invites the student to have some tea. When the tea is ready, the master pours the tea into a teacup, filling it to the brim, spilling tea over the sides of the cup and onto the table. The student exclaims, “Stop! You can’t pour tea into a full cup.” The master replies, “How true. Please return to me when your cup is empty.”

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