

MARRIAGE BLESSING HOW-TO GUIDE

Blessing and Family Ministry

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How to Conduct the Holy Wine Ceremony

Significance of the Holy Wine Ceremony

- a) It is an indemnity condition by which human beings who were born from Satan's world are re-born by True Parents. In this ceremony, women go through an internal process of being restored first, since they fell first. Then give birth to men again. (True Parents give birth to women spiritually and men are born spiritually through the women.)
- b) It cleanses the original sin and allows people to become God's children. The Holy Wine ceremony is a diverging point of good and evil and a line where God's and Satan's crossroads are decided and life and death are divided. The condition to become the first Israel was circumcision, and the condition to become the second Israel was baptism. The condition to become the third Israel is the Holy Wine ceremony.
- c) Adam and Eve were supposed to become husband and wife respectively and love each other centered on God, but the order of love which God created was reversed centered on Satan. The Holy Wine ceremony restores the order of love to its original state.
- d) It is a ceremony by which people can receive a new blood lineage centered on God, cleanse their original sin and change their fallen body, centered on God.

Content and Value of Holy Wine

The holy wine is made up of 21 ingredients representing all things and levels. It has an ingredient that symbolizes parents' love and an ingredient that symbolizes blood. Accordingly, when you drink the holy wine, you become one body with parents' love and one body with parents' blood. The holy wine is also made from ingredients that symbolize the earth, the seas, and heaven, thus it symbolizes the whole cosmos. The holy wine also contains three kinds of alcohol. Besides that, it has an ingredient which symbolizes all things. The holy wine contains all the essential elements of things which are without Satan's accusation. By drinking the holy wine, one is being reborn spiritually and physically.

The holy wine symbolically contains the wine of love, the wine of the husband, and the milk of mother. It represents the water of life, the blood

of parents, the manifestation of all glory, and the love of bridegroom and bride, and it contains in it the life force of the Heavenly Parent.

If this ceremony did not exist, original sin could not be removed and the lineage could not be converted. Without converting the blood lineage, one cannot become one body with God's love by passing through the standard of perfection. Through drinking the holy wine one receives the substance of the Heavenly Parent's heart, blood lineage and life force.

The physical act of drinking a cup of holy wine in and of itself is not the important part. What makes the act significant is that it takes place on the foundation of the victorious conditions made by True Parents, which make it possible for humankind to cut off from the blood lineage of the Satanic world and hereditary sin - the sin of one's ancestors.

Order of the Ceremony

Hymn

Prayer

Reading of True Father's words on Holy Wine Ceremony

Explanation and guidance on Holy Wine Ceremony

Holy Wine Ceremony

Sanctification Prayer

Process of Holy Wine Exchange

1. Holy Wine participants bow to the officiating couple of the Holy Wine (HW) Ceremony in the position of True Parents.
2. Wife of the officiating couple (representing True Mother) gives the HW cup to her husband (representing True Father).
3. Husband of the officiating couple gives HW cup to the bride. The bride bows part way from the waist, receives the cup with two hands, drinks half of the HW, then turns and gives the rest to her bridegroom.
4. The bridegroom bows part way from the waist to his bride, receives the cup with two hands, drinks the remaining HW, and then gives it back to his bride with a bow.
5. Bride receives the empty HW cup (2 hands) with a bow, turns and with a bow gives the cup to the HW officiating husband.
6. Finally, the officiating husband gives the empty HW cup to his wife, who places it in the tray.

Position of Hands during the Sanctification Prayer

1. Bridegroom opens his right hand with his palm up.
2. Bride covers her bridegroom's right palm with her right palm from above.
3. Bridegroom covers the back of his bride's right hand with his left palm above.
4. Bride covers the back of her bridegroom's left hand with her left palm from above.
5. After the officiator wife of the Holy Wine Ceremony (representing True Mother) covers the back of the bridegroom's right hand with her left palm, the officiator husband (representing True Father) covers the back of the bride's left hand with his right palm.

CHECKLIST Holy Wine Ceremony

- A quiet room for ceremony
- CIG Holy Wine
- Little cups & cup holder
- Bowls for collecting used cups
- Holy Wine Ceremony Officiator
- Educator for meaning of Holy Wine Ceremony (If the officiator is different)
- One staff for the ceremony who can give Holy Wine to pastor's wife
- One representative couple for all
- One staff person for recording all names of participants to report to BFM-USA

How To Conduct A Blessing Ceremony

Preparation

A/V Coordinator

- Tech Supplies & set-up Sound System, Projector, Computer, Screen, VCR, TV, CD Player
- Always prepare backup system in case the internet transmission is interrupted. HQ will provide a recording of a past Blessing Ceremony which can be played if transmission is interrupted.
- Prepare background music in case of lull in the program.
- Background music is recommended.

Event Setup Coordinator

- Staff sets up the ceremony room with chairs, dinner area with tables and chairs well in advance.
- Banner set up
- After event clean up

Ushers

- Ushers to welcome participants and guests, assign seating and escort people to seats.

Decoration and Design

- Layout & design; decorate rooms with flowers, balloons, lights or ribbons.

MC

- The program should follow the MCs from main ceremony in Korea. A local MC may be helpful in guiding the local participants.

Blessing Ceremony Officiators

- Officiator (usually church pastor) needs to conduct Holy Water and Ring Ceremonies, and physically represent True Parents during their prayer of Blessing.

Attendants for Officiators

- Two single BC sisters are to attend the officiator couple. They should wear pink dresses or nice clothes, with pure hearts and spirits to support

Holy Water ceremony and Ring ceremony.

- Blessed couples as attendants (If there are many Blessing participants). They should wear nice clothes to perform Holy Water and Holy Wine Ceremonies.

Staff to prepare for Holy Water and Ring ceremonies.

- To prepare Holy Water, and organize the rings for each representative couple on a tray for the officiators.

Security

Beauticians

- Hair styling and make-up to help brides

Food and Dining coordinator

- Menu planning, shopping, and cooking with helpers in the kitchen
- Service/Clean up
- Dining room setup: small plates, forks, napkins, trash cans, etc.
- Refreshments
- Prepare glasses for Blessing toast

Cake Preparation

- Preparation, delivery, candles & knife

Photographer/ Videographer

- Formal pictures of couples/group
- Other Items to prepare
- Program, white gloves and white veils
- These items can be given together with the bride's bouquet and the groom's corsage at the registration desk after their registration.

Holy Water & bowls

- See attached 'Holy item' document for how to multiply Holy Water. Each District should have a seed of Holy Water which we gave to former BFM representatives before.
- Decorative tray with for holding rings from representative couples
- Select which couples will receive rings as representative

Flowers

- Prepare 2 beautiful bouquets for True Parents
- Decorative flowers in the ceremony room, table center pieces for dinner tables
- Corsages for grooms (usually one red carnation), local officiators, and Emcee
- Bridal bouquets for brides

Banner

- Make sure official title of the Blessing Ceremony (put the title)
- HQ will send suggested banner design several days before Blessing by March 19.
- Prepare a back drop for couples' photos

Dressing rooms

- Dressing rooms need to be prepared for brides and grooms respectively
- Mirrors
- Hooks for hanging wedding dresses
- Irons & ironing boards
- Two assist brides
- Allow brides to arrive early (2-3 hours before the ceremony) to prepare themselves.
- Security might be needed to watch personal belongings during the ceremonies.

How to Perform the Blessing Ceremony

Once again, the program should basically follow the broadcast from Korea. A local MC may help in guiding local participants.

Possible Program Order

Invocation

Entrance of the Attendants

Entrance of the Officiators

Holy Water Ceremony

Holy Water attendants hold HW containers to assist officiators. By being sprinkled with Holy Water by True Parents, all brides and bridegrooms stand in the position of resurrection and rebirth as beautiful, pure children of Heaven cutting away all sins.

Affirmation of Vows

Brides and Grooms should respond to each vow from TP with a loud "Yes!"

Invocation of the Blessing by True Parents

Ring Ceremony

Proclamation of the Blessing by True Parents

Sample Proclamation

"I hereby declare, on this, the 10th Day of February by the Heavenly Calendar in the 3rd year of Cheon-gi(3.24), before God, True Parents and heaven and earth, that the families who are attending this Blessing Ceremony sponsored by Holy Spirit Association for the Unification of World Christianity and titled: Blessing Ceremony in the Era to Open the Gates to the Victory, Liberation and Completion of the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind, over which the True Parents are presiding, have now received the Blessing."

Presentation of Flowers

Representative couples should offer bouquets to local officiators at the same time that bouquets are being offered to True Parents onscreen. After receiving the bouquets, Officiators raise them for a moment (a picture can be taken) and place them on TP' chairs.

Congratulatory Song

Congratulatory Remarks

Couples offer a Bow to the Officiators and Guests

Local participating couples should stand and bow to True Parents and local officiators, then their parents/relatives and guests to show their respect and appreciation, following the MC in the main ceremony.

Celebratory Cheer

Again, following the main ceremony, all participants should join in three loud cheers of “Og-Mansei”

Recession of the Officiators

Photographs

Announce group photos. First Officiators, MC, VIP guests and new couples as an official group photo, then parents and family members join.

CHECKLIST Blessing Ceremony

Registration

- Set a participation fee
- Decide staff for registration
- Get pre-registration
- At least one staff member who knows all qualifications for the Blessing
- Report all participants list to BFM-USA
- Office supplies
- Program
- White gloves & white veils
- Brides' bouquets
- Grooms' corsages

Blessing Ceremony

- A/V coordinator
- Sound system
- Projector
- Computer
- Screen
- DVD Player
- Vow and Proclamation in English
- Background music
- Ceremony room with chairs
- Dinner area with tables and chairs
- Banner
- Usher
- Decorator
- Floor/wall cover
- Lighting, Balloons and ribbons
- Dressing rooms for brides & grooms respectively
- Dressing attendants
- Mirrors

- ❑ Hooks for hanging wedding dresses
- ❑ Hair dryer and make-up for brides
- ❑ Irons & ironing boards
- ❑ Some sisters for assisting brides
- ❑ MC
- ❑ Blessing Ceremony Officiators dressed in nice clothes
- ❑ Two attendants for officiators, dressed in nice clothes or pink dresses
- ❑ Blessed couples as attendants (If there are many Blessing participants)
- ❑ Holy Water in two beautiful containers
- ❑ Staff to prepare for Holy Water and Ring Ceremony
- ❑ Ring and tray for rings
- ❑ Security men
- ❑ Food & Dining coordinator and volunteers
- ❑ Small plates, forks, napkins, trash cans
- ❑ Refreshments
- ❑ Toast glasses
- ❑ Cake, candles, knife
- ❑ Photographer/ Videographer
- ❑ Back drop for couple's photo

Chastening Ceremony

Gather first-generation Unificationist couples privately in another room for the Chastening Ceremony and separation period guidance. They can then join the reception afterwards.

MC invites everyone to the reception with starting time and serving room location.

How to Conduct the Chastening (Indemnity Stick) Ceremony

Ceremony Outline

- Holy Song
- Prayer
- Reading of True Father's words concerning the ceremony
- Pastor's explanation and guidance concerning Chastening Ceremony
- Couple carry out the ceremony

Reading of True Father's Sermon About the Chastening Ceremony

Then, where does the true blood lineage have to come from? Can it come from his mother's belly? Where it was rooted in? I think it must be rooted in the seed of completion. If the seed had been born in the belly of an original mother who had not fallen, we would not need the restoration of the elder son-ship. Since the first son of Adam belonged to Satan, God must go the way of indemnity centering on the second son, who belonged to God.

Even at the time of Jacob, God blessed him only after He had the angel hit his hipbone in order to raise up the Israelites. Therefore, when the Israelites made an important pledge, they put their hand on their hipbone. Since the beginning of history, men and women have come to bear a grudge against each other because of the misuse of their hipbones. Therefore, without solving this resentment, man and woman cannot stand as a couple of original nature.

Significance of Chastening Ceremony

- 1) The fall arose because of the wrong use of the hips. Therefore, to establish a condition to restore this through indemnity, there is the Chastening (Indemnity Stick) Ceremony. With the husband and wife hitting each other in the position representing God, the ceremony grants them indemnity toward their past mistakes, in both body and mind.

- 2) Three strikes symbolize the restoration through indemnity of the three orderly stages (formation, growth and perfection) and the three ages (the Old Testament, New Testament and Completed Testament [Second Advent]).
- 3) This ceremony is held in order for husbands (representing Adam) and wives (representing Eve) to restore their mistakes through indemnity and pledge a happy life as an eternal couple in front of God, True Parents and senior and fellow couples.

Ceremony Procedure for the Couple

- 1) The couple bows to God and True Parents
- 2) The husband strikes his wife on the fleshiest part of the buttocks three times
- 3) The wife strikes her husband on the fleshiest part of the buttocks three times
- 4) The couple bow to each other

CHECKLIST Chastening Ceremony

- One leader who can explain the meaning of this ceremony
- Chastening Stick Officiators
- A room with chairs for all participants
- Hoon Dok (Reading) material of True Father's Words
- Sticks
- One leader who can explain about the significance of 40-days separation

40-Days Holy Separation Period Guidance

True Father's Words

After this ceremony, your couple needs to complete the 40-day holy separation period. This period is equivalent to 40 years. It is worth 40 years of True Father's lifetime. You must conquer the number 40.

You have received the Messiah after 4,000 years in the course of restoration. You have received the Second Coming Messiah after 4,000 years from Jacob. It must get over the number of 4,000 years. Therefore, we must get over the number of 40 in a flying jump from now. Jesus must be married at the age of 40. It is right, based on the Divine Principle.

You must indemnify everything from here. You must indemnify centering on True Love. After you go beyond the number 40, you can inherit the true love of God. Then you can freely love each other as husband and wife. It is to indemnify the history of 4,000 years.

The period of 4,000 years from Adam to Jesus was the recovery period of True Love. As was the period of 4,000 years from Jacob to the Second Coming Messiah.

These periods were to find an ideal couple. Therefore, the 40 days is to make a condition of indemnity. Your couple (husband and wife) must not have sexual relations during the 40 days. You will start your sexual relations after the 40 days.

During this period, your couple must pray for the will of God and the nation of God. You can discover your true self, separate evil spirits that are constantly trying to bring you pain and misfortune, and improve your relationship with your spouse.

Significance of the 40-Days Holy Separation Period

- a) The 40-days period is to indemnify the 40-years of public life before the holy wedding of Jesus and True Parents
- b) The period is to indemnify the 4,000-years after Jacob to Second Coming Messiah.
- c) The period is to pray for receiving the True Love of God before you can receive the True Love of your couple.
- d) The period is to pray while your couple (husband and wife) maintains the holy separation centering on the will of God for a public purpose.

Three Day Ceremony

Instructions for Pastors

The vertical relationship is very important to the entire process of the 3-Day Ceremony. The ceremony is not valid without the pastor's prayer. This ceremony is much like Abraham's offering. It is a small offering that indemnifies huge things, so meticulous attention to small details is critical for success.

Right after the Blessing Ceremony email a list of the first and last names of all the couples in your church community that plan to complete the 3-Day Ceremony to the national Blessing & Family Ministry (BFM) at bfmadmin@unification.org. Please include "3-Day Ceremony" in the subject line. Once the name list has been received, you will be sent a set of Holy Handkerchiefs for each couple on the list.

During the 40 Day Separation period, meet with each couple to give them the instructions and internal explanation for the 3-Day Ceremony, and to give them their Holy Handkerchiefs. Take care to cover each part of the ceremony thoroughly, especially areas where possible mistakes could be made. If you have more than one couple, the instructions can be given in a group. However, you will need to meet with each couple individually to pray with them and to go over any personal concerns or questions they may have.

Take note of the date on which each couple will be starting their 3-Day Ceremony in order to prayerfully support them. Also, it may be helpful for you to check in with the couple after each day of their ceremony. This can simply be a phone call to ask if they completed their day successfully and to check if they have any questions. If there are any concerns, try to obtain as many details as possible, in order to fully address the concern. When a couple has completed their third day, the couple should report this to you. When you report a couple's successful completion of the 3 Days Ceremony to the national BFM, the couple will be officially registered as a Blessed Couple.

If you or a couple have any questions, or if a couple makes a mistake, contact the BFM for help right away. Be sure to remind couples that any type of mistake or challenge needs to be reported to you. The indemnity conditions for major mistakes are clearly spelled out in the 3-Day Ceremony instructions.

How to Multiply Holy Items

Providential Background of Inheritance of 'Holy Items'

On June 13, 2006, the ceremony for Coronation of the King of Peace in Heaven and on Earth was held after the Entrance Ceremony of the Cheon Jeong Peace Palace. During the ceremony, the royal seal and golden scepter symbolizing the King of Peace were dedicated to the True Parents by Hyung-jin nim and Chairman Kwak.

This was followed by hoisting of the Cheon Il Guk flag and singing of the Cheon Il Guk anthem "Blessing of Glory." Then True Father declared the establishment of Cheon Il Guk, and True Parents bestowed the Cheon Il Guk Scripture that contains words of truth and Holy Items consisting of Cheon Il Guk holy wine, Cheon Jeong Palace holy candle and Cheon Jeong Palace holy salt representing the tradition of Cheon Il Guk on each of the representatives of 10 continents.

As the result of this, it was decided that holy wine, holy candles and holy salt that had been used previously were to be returned to the church for disposal. Subsequently, the holy items were bequeathed to each Blessed Family through the "initiation ceremony of holy items" presided by ministers in each country.

Multiplication of Cheon Il Guk Holy Wine

A. Preparation

- 1) Purchase instruments: The following instruments should be: made of materials that will not rust and can be used for long time, such as stainless-steel, washed and wiped thoroughly to eliminate water droplets before use, and kept for exclusive use of multiplying holy wine. The necessary instruments include:
 - pan (sterilized in boiling water before 1st use)
 - measuring cup
 - sponge
 - towel
 - container to store holy wine (hermetically sealed bottle)
 - vinyl sheet
 - apron
- 2) Purchase 3 kinds of red wine. Brand does not matter.

B. Method of Multiplying the Cheon Il Guk Holy Wine

- 1) Use Cheon Il Guk holy salt to sanctify the instruments to be used and the new wine procured to multiply the holy wine.
- 2) Prepare the Cheon Il Guk holy wine newly bequeathed as the seed.
- 3) Offer a prayer to turn the new wine into the Cheon Il Guk holy wine. The contents of the prayer include:
 - i The newly bequeathed Cheon Il Guk holy wine has been created as the fruits of the True Parents' sacrifices and toils on the victorious foundation of the Entrance Ceremony of the Cheon Jeong Peace Palace and Coronation of the King of Peace in Heaven and on Earth held on June 13, 2006.
 - ii Turn this wine into the Cheon Il Guk holy wine so that by drinking it the original sin gets removed.
 - iii So that those who drink it get separated from Satan, transferred from lineage of Satan to lineage of God, and fulfill God's Will.
 - iv So that they inherit True Parents' heart, love and lineage. and establish lineal relationship with True Parents.
 - v Through the Blessed Families drinking this Cheon Il Guk holy wine, the new era of governance by heavenly law of Cheon Il Guk and the new providence can start where God and True Parents have direct dominion.
 - vi Conclude with: "I pray that this wine is changed into the Cheon Il

Guk wine. This I report in the names of the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind, True Children's families and the owner of Cheon Il Guk, (family name)"

- d. Put the seed Cheon Il Guk holy wine in the prepared container, and pour the new wine into it or vice versa. The mixing ratio is 4 parts seed Cheon Il Guk holy wine: 6 parts new wine.
- e. Offer a prayer of gratitude for being able to create the Cheon Il Guk holy wine.

Multiplication of Cheon Jeong Palace Holy Salt

A. Method to Multiply the Cheon Jeong Palace Holy Salt

- 1) Prepare the seed Cheon Jeong Palace holy salt.
- 2) Purchase the new salt.
- 3) Clean the environment to be used to multiply the salt.
- 4) Make a pile with the seed Cheon Jeong Palace holy salt and seven piles of the new salt, all of equal amounts.
- 5) Offer a prayer.
- 6) Sprinkle the seed Cheon Jeong Palace holy salt on each of the seven piles of new salt.
- 7) Mix the seed Cheon Jeong Palace holy salt into each of the seven piles.
- 8) Mix all the piles together.
- 9) Offer a prayer of gratitude along these lines: "I pray that this salt is sanctified and turned into the Cheon Jeong Palace holy salt. This I report in the names of the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind, True Children's families and the owner of Cheon Il Guk (family name)."

B. Method for Sanctifying Items with the Cheon Jeong Palace Holy Salt

- 1) A prayer should be offered along these lines: "I pray that this is sanctified and made God's. This I report in the names of the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind, True Children's families and the owner of Cheon Il Guk (family name)"
- 2) The Cheon Jeong Palace holy salt should be strewed from north to south, east and to west or sprinkled on the things to be sanctified three times as if to draw a cross. At that time, grab the Cheon Jeong Palace holy salt with the right hand and sprinkle with the right hand.

Method to Multiply the Holy Water

- 1) Sanctify the instruments to be used with the Cheon Jeong Palace holy salt.
- 2) Prepare the seed holy water.
- 3) Prepare the mineral water for multiplication of the new holy water.
- 4) Offer the initial prayer, saying “Now, I am going to multiply the holy water.”
- 5) The seed holy water can be poured into the new mineral water or vice versa. Also, a perfume may be added to the water, such as Chanel No. 5.
- 6) Offer a prayer, saying “I pray that this becomes the holy water that is used to externally purify in the Blessing Ceremony.”