FFWPU USA Blessing and Family Ministry: Your Own Stuff Matters

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Hello family. MatchNet Matching prep course. Our Own Stuff Matters. Local Sunday Service livestreams.

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Interested in learning about or how to prepare for the Matching and Blessing? Check out the MatchNet 7-step program

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food for thought



"Your Own Stuff Matters" – In her book *The Conscious Parent*, Dr. Shefali Tsabary says, "Through our children, we get orchestra seats to the complex theatrics of our immaturity, as they evoke powerful emotions in us that can cause us to feel as though we aren't in control—with all the frustrations, insecurity, and angst that accompanies this sensation."

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MatchNet

An intentional, family-driven engagement process. Being the right person, then *finding* the right person.

What is MatchNet?

MatchNet is a step-by-step guide for your family.

For singles to become an *extraordinarily marriageable* person and find a partner that shares your vision and values for the Blessing. We have a step-by-step process to prepare well for the Blessing based on years of experience.

For parents to build a beautiful partnership with your child on their journey to the Blessing. We have a course that is just for parents about everything you need to know about the Matching Process.

For couples who want to prepare well for the Blessing and start their marriage on the right foot. We have a course that guides you through the step-by-step process of preparing for the Blessing day.

Our team of caring mentors uses decades of experience and research to guide you



through the best possible matching experience.



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What's Inside?

7-Step Matching Prep Course

A step-by-step process that stimulates you to grow and become an extraordinarily marriageable person. Includes Levels 1–3 Blessing Education.

7-Step Finding the One Course A step-by-step process that guides you through every step of the Matching Process.

Parents Matching Education Course

An educational track for parents to learn about the Matching Process and create unity within the parent-child relationship.

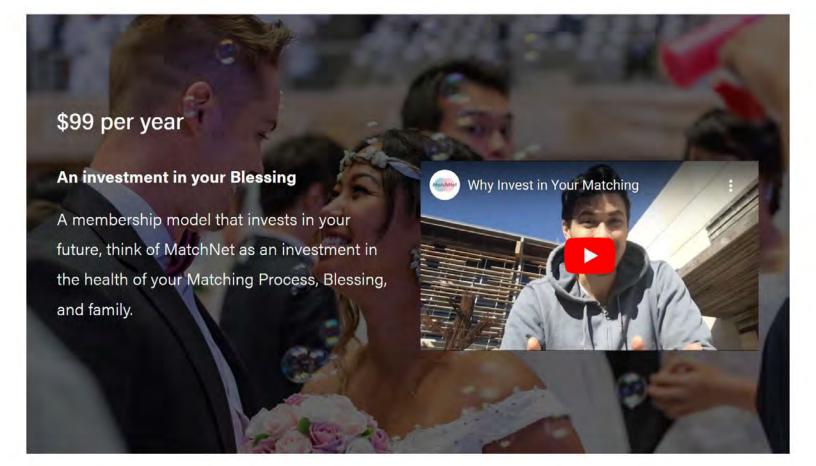
Programs Designed for You

Wherever you're at-single, searching, or in a relationship-we have content for you.





Start Your Journey



Here's how MatchNet helped Josh & Rika



What You Will Gain

By the time you finish the program, you will:

 Have a better understanding of yourself, the Matching Process, and the meaning of the Blessing

- · Have more unity and understanding within your family and Matching team
- Know best practices to find and communicate with a potential Matching partner
- Be an upstanding Matching Candidate ready to start a Matching Process

7-Month Timeline

The 7-month timeline is designed to be very easy to complete, and you can feel free to move ahead or take a break.

Even if you're not ready to begin a Matching Process, the focus of MatchNet is education and preparation *before* finding someone.

Here's a teaser...

"Visualizing Your Blessing"



"The Matching Process"



For Singles

Stage 1. Foundation - Become the best version of yourself—an extraordinarily marriageable you—before beginning a relationship.

Stage 2. Connection - Put your best foot forward to connect with a Matching partner who shares your values and vision for the Blessing.



What's inside:

- Blessing Education create a clear vision for your Blessing and take the steps to get there. Watch video courses that will help you prepare for a relationship and the Blessing.
- Access to the best Matching team around.
- Display your involvement with MatchNet on a Matching Website. Use tried-and-true best practices to connect with a potential matching partner.



For Parents

The *Matching Process* is an intentional familydriven process towards the Blessing. Gain access to practical tools, guidance, and best practices for how to work as a parent-child team. Parents are encouraged to go through the program together with their child if possible.

We even have a course just for parents!

What's inside:

- Matching Education just for Parents
- Start together Watch Blessing education courses and create a clear Matching Plan with your child.
- Connect with our team for extra support and questions.

Invest in your Matching & Blessing

\$99/year

MatchNet is an investment in your Matching Process and Blessing. Get support and join the community for 1 year at a discounted price of \$99 for the entire year.



FAQ

How long will it take to complete the program?

The program is designed to allow you to go through the content at a comfortable pace.

As a general guideline, you will be able to complete the 7-step program within seven months if you spend just 1 hour per week on the program.

If you're feeling ambitious, you can

Is it for Singles or Parents?

It's for BOTH singles and parents! The educational content of MatchNet is designed for single individuals who are preparing for the Matching Process and Blessing, as well as parents who want to know how to help their child navigate the Matching Process.

We encourage parents and children to go through the content together if possible. There is even a course that is just for

Is MatchNet available to all nations?

Yes, the educational content is perfect for people of all nations. However, the process to become a qualified Matching Candidate differs depending on your region.

Please check with your regional BFD to confirm your application process.

All course content is currently only

expedite your Matching preparation by spending 30 minutes per day for a few months.

What's the inspiration behind MatchNet?

MatchNet is meant to answer the questions of *Why* and *How* when it comes to the Blessing. Why is the Blessing important to me and how can I prepare? Watch the above video for more about the inspiration.

Why is there a membership

fee?

At this time, we decided to prioritize our focus on developing a quality membership program for an affordable price. All of the funds are used to help individuals prepare well for the Blessing and married life through education and community.

All of the content about the Matching Process and how to get Blessed is still available for free and has been for many years. parents about the Matching Process.

Can a parent and child share an account?

Yes, we encourage parents and their child to go through the education together, if they wish to. Some families choose to take the courses separately and then discuss the content together, which is also perfectly fine. available in English. Our end goal is to make MatchNet helpful and accessible to every family in the world.

Is it another Matching profile website?

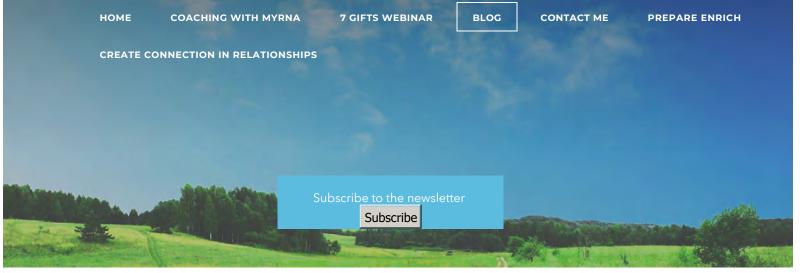
MatchNet is *not* a profile-based social platform like other websites. First, it is an educational platform, then secondly, it is a platform for connection. We work to support the already-existing Matching websites of our faith community.

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Your Own Stuff Matters

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Back when I was still working in a classroom, one of my preschool students, Mandy, along with her mom, arrived on Monday morning to find out that she had been switched to the Orange Group for the last week of summer camp. Mandy didn't adapt well to new situations and was a little anxious about the change. Since she had several friends in the Orange Group, I was sure that she would do fine with some time to settle in.

However, the situation quickly escalated because her mother became upset and went to speak with one of the administrators, dragging Mandy with her. In front of her daughter, the mom complained loudly, with a few choice swear words thrown in, about how unfair this was to her daughter, demanding a refund for the week. Clearly, the daughter wasn't the only one getting emotional!

As parents, how often have we done this? We step in to speak for our child, fight their battles, or go to bat when we feel that a teacher or a friend is treating them unfairly. We have the best of intentions and we act out of love, but what kind of message are we really sending? Some experts call this being a "helicopter parent." The parent hovers over their child and rescues them from the hostile world in which they live. To "protect" them, they take on the responsibilities of the child and give them the message that they cannot handle things. Instead, children need to hear this message from us: "I love you and you can do this. I believe in you, and I am here if you need my help."

If we are honest with ourselves, many times the challenges that our child faces trigger feelings within us of fear, anxiety, and being unworthy or inadequate. We may connect with memories of being bullied or misunderstood. Starting from our own self-awareness, we need to stop and ask ourselves, "Am I dealing with my child in a healthy manner, or am I being triggered by something from my own past?"

There is a reason we are getting upset, giving in, or overreacting. Learning about what causes us to react and understanding why some things bother us more than others is an important part of parenting. Getting triggered is when we have an intense physical or emotional reaction to an event or interaction. Often something our child or someone else says or does connects us to a difficult childhood memory. At times, we can work through these challenges on our own, but sometimes we need the support of a friend, coach, or mental health professional, and that's okay.

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