

## Introductory Training for Matching Advisors, July 30, 2011

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**To: District Directors, State & Church Leaders, all Blessed Families**  
**From: National Blessed Family Ministry**  
**Re: EXCITING OPPORTUNITY: Introductory Training for Matching Advisors**  
**Saturday, July 30, 2011, HSA National HQ, Room 601, New Yorker Hotel, NYC**  
**Date: July 27, 2011**

### **MATCHING ADVISORS TRAINING JULY 30, 2011**

***The Blessed Family Ministry is Seeking Experienced, Motivated and Mature  
Blessed Members (1st and 2nd Generation)  
to Support Candidates and their Parents' in the Matching Process***

The new matching guidelines for this era of settlement include the clear role of parents in their adult children's matching process, greater ownership by the candidates themselves for the process and final decision, clear steps and a time period, and experienced matching advisors, trained and certified by HQ, to assist 1st and 2nd Generation candidates and their spiritual or physical parents in the matching process. With the guidance of our President and Senior Pastor, Rev. In Jin Moon, a new system of comprehensive Blessing education, parents' matching convocations, websites, and handbooks have been developed to convey and support this new matching process.

A one-day training and certification for prospective matching advisors is scheduled for the NY/NJ area this Saturday, July 30, 2011, from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM at HSA-UWC National HQ, in Room 601 of the new Yorker Hotel, 481 Eighth Avenue, New York, NY, 10001. Because of available space and the urgent need for support for candidates and their parents, we can welcome additional participants to this comprehensive program. It will be led by Rev. Phillip Schanker, director of the Blessed Family Ministry in the USA. The training is free for qualified participants. Lunch and snacks are included.

A prospective matching advisor should feel called to this ministry, and be trustworthy, faithful, a good listener and patient communicator. They should be happily Blessed themselves, and be able to schedule a few hours of availability on a regular basis. Advisors will be trained to help candidates and parents develop a clear plan for the matching process, assist them in finding potential candidates, and support them through the process as needed. The BFD will provide the handbook, interview forms and support materials, and will train and certify matching advisors, according to the international guidelines.

Church leaders and BFD representatives are not automatically qualified as MAs based upon their position alone. Each advisor should be trained, become familiar with the guidelines and process, and be certified by the National Blessed Family Ministry. They will work in cooperation with a network of advisors, utilizing Parents Matching Convocations, an international matching website, the "Matchbook" website and the new Online Matching System (OMS) for First Generation, in support of candidates and families.

Advisors will work on a volunteer basis, according to their own schedule and availability, and should freely develop their "gift" for this ministry. But they should work according to the international guidelines, and report to their local or district BFD. MAs do not make "absolute matches," but support parents and candidates in the process. Advisors can specialize in one or more of these categories:

**ALL Blessed Children**

**Blessed children 24 years and older**

**First Generation Unificationists**

**First Generation 40 years and older**

**Jacob Generation**

**Associate Members**

**Treasures of Heaven [Special Needs Candid.]**

**Getting Back on Track**

**International Matchings**

**All of the above**

Interested First or Second Generation Blessed members should complete [the registration form](#) and return it by Email to BFDadmin@unification.org by Friday, July 29th at 2:00 PM EST, indicating your intention to attend and participate this Saturday, 30th, and plan to attend one of these trainings if possible. We will send you a short qualifying questionnaire, to be returned ASAP, no later than 5:00 PM on Friday evening. Include any questions or clarifications you need to.

We look forward to working with those who are called to support candidates and their parents in the matching and Blessing process. Thank you in advance for your investment and support. May God be with you and your family.

Sincerely,

Rev. Joshua Cotter  
Executive Vice President  
Unification Church – USA

Rev. Phillip Schanker  
Director, Blessed Family Ministry  
Unification Church – USA

# **MATCHING ADVISER CONFIRMATION**

## **Participant Registration Form**

June 3, 2011, San Leandro, CA ♦ July 30, 2011, New York, NY ♦ November 18, 2011, New York, NY

### **Personal Information**

Name:

Gender:

Male

Female

Blessed

Blessing Year:

Date of Birth:

Number of Children:

Home

Phone:

Cell Phone:

Address:

City,state,zip

Email:

Occupation

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**Please indicate which Training Session you would like to attend:**

**Friday, June 3, 2011-**

**Bay Area Family Church, San Leandro,**

**CA**

**Saturday, July 30, 2011- National HQ, Room 626, 481 8<sup>th</sup> Ave., NYC**

Friday, November 18, 2011- Lovin' Life Learning Center, New York, NY

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**Please indicate any specific areas of matching that interest you:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Blessed Children                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Blessed Children 24 years & older |
| <input type="checkbox"/> First Generation                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Older, single Unificationists     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jacob Generation                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Treasures of Heaven (Spec. needs) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> International Matching                                | <input type="checkbox"/> AFPs / Clergy / Assoc. members    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Complex or special situations, other (explain below): |  |

- I am willing to help with coordination, communication and organization of the Matching Adviser ministry.**

**Please complete and return this form to: [BFAdmin@unification.org](mailto:BFAdmin@unification.org)**

*Email is preferred, or fax to: (212) 997-0054*