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Parents Matching Convocations in 2012

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To: District, State, Church & Lovin' Life Pastors, Blessed Central Families

From: National Blessed Family Ministry

Re: SAVE THE DATES: Parents Matching Convocations in 2012: June 8-10 in Chicago, IL; To

be announced in Hayward, California, November 2-4 in New York

Date: April 27, 2012

We are excited to announce three Parents Matching Convocations (PMCs) this year. The first will be held in Chicago, Illinois from June 8-10, 2012, the next will take place in the Oakland-San Francisco Bay area at a date to be announced in August or September. The third and final PMC this year will be held at the UTS conference center in Barrytown, NY from November 2-4, 2012.

The PMC provides an opportunity for parents to understand the matching process, learn from those who have matched their children successfully and network with other parents to learn about potential matching candidates. The PMC is not a place to finalize matches but to connect with other families, discover potential candidates and help formulate a clear Family Matching Plan, to be finalized with your candidate. We recommend that parents attend a PMC before beginning the matching process with their children. Parents whose children are at least 16 should participate in a PMC simply to learn and prepare.

Matching Candidates 24 years or older are also welcome to attend, in order to learn more about the matching process and take a more active role. There will be a newly developed plan and program for these young adults, including innovative educational materials, special breakout sessions, and personal meetings with Matching Advisors.

Participants in these PMCs will receive the new, updated 2nd edition of the Family Matching Handbook. They will learn about the latest tools, materials, guidelines and resources to support them in matching their children. They can also meet Matching Advisors who are prepared to assist and support them.

Registration for the Chicago PMC will open in the coming week. Additional information regarding all three PMCs will follow shortly. We look forward to supporting parents and candidates in this heavenly effort.

May God be with you and your family.

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