

International Parents' Matching Convocations in Europe and Japan

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Looking for an International, Cross-Cultural Matching and Blessing? Participate in an International Parents' Matching Convocation Without Having to Be There!

Dear District and Local Pastors, Community Leaders and Blessed Central Families;

We are excited to announce two international Parents Matching Convocations (PMC's), and invite Blessed Children who are qualified matching candidates and who are interested in an international match to make their candidate profile available for display. PMC's will take place in Europe (Germany) from May 31 - June 2, 2013, and in Japan from May 31 - June 2 and June 7 - 9. Candidates and their parents who wish to display profiles for families in Germany, Japan or both locations, should contact Mrs. Ayako Heller by May 24th, and indicate which of the PMC's they would like to be part of. To learn more about applying for the European convocation, see the attached memo.

To make a profile available at an international PMC, candidates must be registered at the International Matching Website for Blessed Children, <u>www.bcmatching.org</u>, with complete profile information and photos. Once we inform the PMC staff in Germany or Japan that a candidate wishes to participate there, profiles will be downloaded and displayed for parents at that convocation. Interested candidates should complete the profile and upload photos at the international website by May 24th to ensure participation. For questions about the International Matching Website, contact your local family ministry or e-mail Mrs. Heller.

<u>Candidates, not parents, should complete the profile</u>. Parents should not advertise their adult child's profile without the candidate's agreement and participation. Candidates and their parents can develop a family matching plan using the worksheet available at <u>www.familyfed.org/bfd</u>.

There is also a PMC in the USA on the same weekend, May 31 - June 2, in Oakland, CA. To participate in this convocation, visit <u>www.familyfed.org/bfd</u> and click on the PMC banner at our BFD- USA homepage. For questions or additional information, contact us. We look forward to supporting candidates and their parents in their search for loving, lasting Blessed marriage.

May God be with you and your family.

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