

## Blessing Preparation Workshop

Seebenstein, Austria, 24. – 27. October 2013



**T**hirteen Blessing candidates and 10 parents participated. ( 11 2nd generation and 2 Jacobs Children). The participants came from Austria and Switzerland.

The program started on Thursday evening with an orientation by Mrs. Gaby Zöhrer, who also was the main organizer of the workshop. Afterwards the movie “A Life for Peace and Unification: The Rev. Sun Myung Moon” from MBC was shown.

The lectures on Friday were given by Elisabeth Cook and Peter Zöhrer: “Change of Blood Lineage” and “The Blessing Ceremonies”.

In the evening, testimonies were given by a young 2nd gen couple, Xavier & Daniela Thery, and a 1st gen parents’ couple: Josef & Lilly Gundacker.

On Saturday Geros Kunkel, who had arrived in the evening, took over the teaching. He spoke about his

abundant experiences with True Parents during the different matching processes which he attended from 2000 to 2013. A question-answer session gave the participants the opportunity to ask questions.

On Saturday evening the parents met with their children for deeper exchange, or the participants joined a discussion group.

On Sunday morning Geros shared more of his experiences, and finally the participants received a certificate for their participation.

During the three days we could generate a family atmosphere which made it possible for the participants to open their hearts and receive the content of the Blessing Preparation lectures, as well as to share their concerns and questions connected to the topic.



*Lilly Gundacker was the MC - the music team*



*Geros Kunkel teaching*



*Xavier & Daniela Thery with their daughter - Josef & Lilly Gundacker giving their testimony - Peter & Gaby Zöhler handing over the certificates*