## Belvedere Family Church: Matching Education Programs with John Abelseth

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and the zoom link will be sent to those who register.

#### November 18 (Saturday)

#### **Matching Education Programs**

Dear members and matching supporters,

Here is information and links for some programs that you and your communities may be interested in.

Please forward to your pastors and members who may be interested. These are all virtual programs

Parents and Singles Matching Education: from 8 AM to 1:30 Pacific time, 11 am to 4:30 pm Eastern time; (more information, schedule and registration <u>link is here.</u>)

Summary: Education in the matching process for families and matching supporters and singles including first generation, how and when to begin, tips for success, challenges in the journey and available support.

#### November 19 (Sunday)

Matching Supporter Training: 1 PM to 6:00 PM Pacific Time, (4 PM to 9:00 PM Eastern Time) (more information, schedule and registration link here; registration is required to attend).

Summary: Training for Blessed members to become qualified Matching Supporters in order to support families and singles (including first generation) in the matching process

#### November 25 (Saturday)

First Generation Blessing Education: from 9 AM to 3 PM Pacific time 12 pm to 6 pm Eastern time; (more information, schedule and registration <u>link is here</u>.)

**Summary:** the importance, the meaning and the unique value of the Blessing, why it differs from marriage, and how to prepare for the matching.

Valuable for new single first generation members, matching supporters, pastors, witnessers, spiritual parents to understand how to support new members in the matching and Blessing.

Please register as soon as possible and keep the dates open on your calendar.

If you have questions please contact <u>matching@ unification,org</u> or john.abelseth@ gmail.com.

John Abelseth and the BFM matching supporter coordinators

#### Hello Families!

Welcome to Family Matching Education:

Saturday, November 18 from 8am to 1:30 pm Pacific time (11:00am to 4:30pm Eastern time):

## Register here

## Find the program here

This FME is an opportunity for **all parents, even with very young children**, to become familiar with the <u>intentional matching process to support their adult children</u> in finding their eternal partner. This event will give you hope and help you prepare, start, or restart the process. <u>Singles</u>

#### <u>are welcome.</u>

Here are some things that you will gain from attending:

- How to prepare and begin (or re-start) the process
- Adapting the process for my family/child
- Learn where to find resources
  - How to use matching websites
  - Using the BFM website
  - What is Matchnet and how can it help
  - What is Blessing4U
  - What is OMS
- Testimonies of couples and parents
- How to "connect" with your adult child even if they are not ready or interested
- How to "connect" with your parents if you are single
- When & how do I begin to prepare so I am ready

#### FAQ:

- What if my child is not interested?
- What if my parents cannot help me?
- What if my child is dating outside the movement?
- What if I cannot speak or read English well?
- Who do I contact if I have questions or problems?
- Do I need a matching supporter?
- What if I have been dating and want to evaluate the matching and Blessing?

## Important:

- Bring a computer -
- Bring your cell too
- Plan lunch, snacks, refreshments ahead of time (breaks will be short)

## Invite your friends and family - Singles are welcome and encouraged to attend

Matching Supporter Training November 19, 2023 1 PM Pacific time (4 PM Eastern time)

## Hi all,

Becoming a matching supporter is a very rewarding way to serve our members, and here are some of the benefits:

- 1. Qualifies you to guide single members whose parents are not involved in our movement (including your own spiritual children) in the matching process;
- 2. Gain extra guidance that may be helpful in supporting your own children;
- 3. Gives you the opportunity to support other families parents and children in the matching process;
- 4. Helps you have a better understanding of the resources that are available.

NOTE: All **First Generation single members** need a matching supporter in the matching process.

The next live (virtual) matching supporter training will be Sunday November 19, from 1 PM to 6:00 PM Pacific time (4 PM to 9:00 PM Eastern time) <u>REGISTER HERE</u>

# All members who have been

- **1.** Blessed for one year or more, and
- 2. have the approval of their Pastor

can become a matching supporter. We especially <u>want to encourage younger</u> <u>Blessed members</u> to consider volunteering.

- To confirm your attendance please register. We will be sending information before the program to help you to be better prepared; the zoom link will only be sent to those who register.
- This program is for members who have been Blessed for one year or more.
- Here is the <u>schedule for the program.</u>
- Here are <u>resources to help you prepare</u>.

Any questions please contact john.abelseth@gmail.com (subject line "MS training")

John Abelseth, BFM/BFD advisor, MS Coordinator

Blessing Education for First Generation

Next virtual workshop Nov 25 at 9 am Pacific (12 noon Eastern time)

Preparation to receive the Cosmic Blessing from our True Parents, is important for our single members to understand and to prepare for.

This Workshop is designed to:

- 1. Explain why the Blessing is different from marriage
- 2. Why First Generation should receive the Blessing with another First Generation
- 3. What steps members should take to prepare in order to receive the Blessing
- 4. How spiritual parents can help support
- 5. Why a matching supporter is necessary to create a vertical relationship

Join this workshop if you are:

- A first generation member seeking the Blessing
- A spiritual parent
- A matching supporter working with First Generation members
- A Pastor
- An interested member or active witnesser

Blessing Education Workshop Schedule (link is here)

Registration link is here