## FFWPU USA Newsletter: Register for PSWM Holy Spirit Masterclass in Chicago

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## The Newsletter

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Hello family. Chicago PSWM Masterclass. International news. Midwest Friendsgiving weekend. Aloha Ocean Challenge. Japan updates. Godible.

## News

# Register Now for the PSWM Holy Spirit Masterclass in Chicago



Unlock the Holy Spirit! Throughout this 2-day musical masterclass, get ready for a complete transformation through song, led by Emmy Award Winning Producer A. Curtis Farrow, and be granted an opportunity to join the 1000-voice choir for Korea at the Cheon Won Geong entrance ceremony in April 2025. Registration is now open for the Masterclass in Chicago, scheduled for December 6-8. We encourage you to register as soon as possible!

Register Here

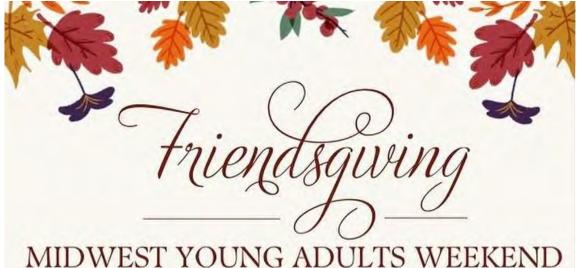
# **International News**

Messages by True Parents and news on the global movement.



# **Events**

Young Adult Midwest Friendsgiving Weekend



MICHIGAN FAMILY CHURCH NOVEMBER 22-24 2024

Early Bird: \$50 \$70 after November 10 2024

Join us for Worship, Volunteer, Cider mill and Friendsgiving.

Contact

Toya Nomura: (703-475-2714) Precious Laurent: (614-260-1423)

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Join Here

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The Peace Starts with Me Choir, inspired by the Mother of Peace, is a diverse group of Blessed Children, Christians, and singers from all faiths coming together. The Choir is embarking on a world tour to ignite a new wave of music and culture.

## MORE THAN JUST SINGING ...

More than learning how to sing, you will learn how to unlock the Holy Spirit. Trained by the best this world has to offer, get ready for a complete transformation.

## SIGN UP FOR A MASTERCLASS TODAY!

PWSM Musical Master Class Chicago
December 6-8 - Chicago Family Church
December 8 performance at National Sunday Service,
55 Commerce Dr., Schaumburg, IL 60173

\*\*\*Registration for the Chicago PSWM Musical Masterclass is now open! Please submit your form by December 6, 2024.

## Schedule

Please arrive 30 min ahead of time and be settled in by the start of the program.

## Accommodations

Accommodations will be the responsibility of the participant.

## Meals

Meals, coffee / herbal tea, and water will be provided. Breakfast on December 7th will not be provided. Please eat before you arrive.

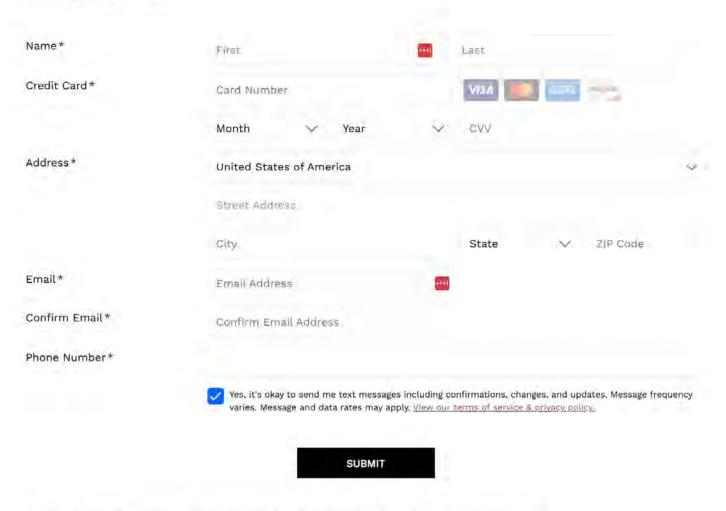
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## Billing Information



Please address all questions and concerns to Yeunhwa Ahmetaj at yeunhwa.ahmetaj@gmail.com.

## Testimonials

"It was actually amazing! Everyone was like naaaah I don't wanna sing. But a loooot of GPA realized they misunderstood what this Masterclass was... The first day, one by one, the entire first row was hit hard by the Holy Spirit. People that don't even sing starting crying while we were singing Revelations 19:1. Something came over GPA and it was goooood. It wasn't even singing at that point. It was just resonating with something higher... I feel like I finally found my purpose... I knew God needed me to be a messenger. But my words were never enough to express what my heart was conveying. But I feel like THIS is what I was meant to do. This is how I'm supposed to testify. And it feels so right... I don't wanna sing. I wanna testify and offer God the power to work through me. I'm not satisfied with just singing beautiful notes. I wanna witness with this voice! Ajuuuuu."

- Desiree Contreras, GPA Music Masterclass

"It is the morning of the HJ music competition, and we are in a bus, making the long trip from Seoul to Cheongpyeong. I am surrounded by young people from across America, all of whom are dedicated, both in their love for music and their love for God. Mother, these past 5 days of practice have really taught me a lot about the beautiful mindset of our director, and all the other Christian ministers and performers that we are working with. Everything that they do is to bring glory to God. In their hearts, in their minds, they are fully focused on how their performance would bring God the most joy. We ourselves are inheriting that mindset, and want to express our unity and happiness for our Heavenly Parent. Mother, we've only been able to practice together for these 3 days, but in these days, I have felt immense joy in being able to perform for you, and being able to show the world that living together with our heavenly parent is a source of pride and strength. Through our smiles and laughter we can bring smiles to God's heart, inspiring other people to include Heavenly Parent in their lives. There is incredible energy from the unity of 30 voices singing together in harmony. I believe that music was meant to teach us how to live together, how each person has a unique role, but all of them working together is vital to the harmony of the whole. When we work together it is beautiful and joyful, but if even one person disunites, the harmony loses its power. This is somewhat like principle, our world needs every person in order for us to harmoniously fulfill God's dream. So with our song, we hope to inspire others to join us, in unity and harmony. People from all nations, backgrounds, religions, we can unite if we focus all of our glory on God. By gathering and moving the hearts of all people, we can bring our Heavenly Parent joy at last. Mother, we

hope that when you watch us you can smile, and feel that your children are here to support you, uplift you, and unite with you to help restore the world."

- Eva Schneider





# YA Midwest Friendsgiving

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#### **Our Schedule**

Your answer

Friday: Arrival, Pizza party, game night, and worship night (if you are so inclined)

Saturday: Cider Mill, Volunteer and Friends Giving Feast

Sunday: Breakfast, Sunday Service, Lunch and our end of program

**Housing:** Sister will be housing with Tega and Brothers will be housing with Toya

Event Address: Michigan Family Church

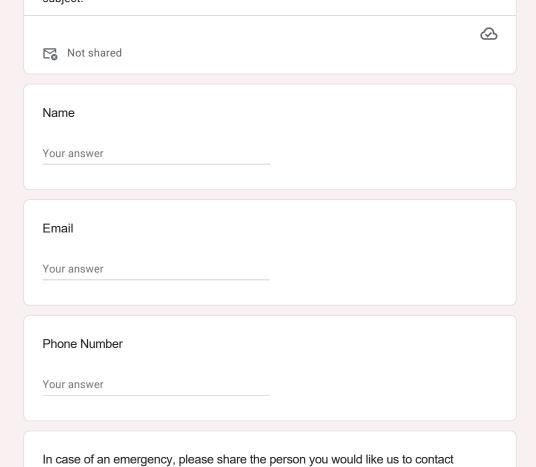
Date: November 22- 24 2024

Cost: Early Bird-\$50 BEFORE Nov 10 and \$70 AFTER Nov 11

\*The cost of your ticket will cover food, and other amenities that will tie in the atmosphere

Please reach out to Toya (703-475-2714) and Precious (614-260-1423) if you have any questions or concerns.

To reserve your spot, please send payment to: detroitfamilychurch@family.com (Zelle payment) Please write "your name-Friendsgiving" when sending payment. Venmo payments to Toya Nomura at 703-475-2714 with "your name-Friendsgiving" as the subject.



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The program highlights Hawaii Ocean Fishing, True Parent's Legacy in Kona (Kona Coffee Farm, Hawaii King Garden) and Big Island adventures. Experience God's beauty on the blue Pacific Ocean in Hawaii.

All participants stay at the Hawaiian Queen Coffee Garden.

Program details are below



Not shared

#### Promotional Video (Scenes from Last Year's event)



#### **Details**

Arrive and Depart Dates: Arrive: Friday, December 27, 2024 Depart: Saturday,

January 4. 2025

For any questions contact us at <a href="mailto:chuckfrumin@gmail.com">chuckfrumin@gmail.com</a> Cell: 808-987-4219

Program is for men or women youth ages 18 to 40.

No prior fishing experience is required.

## **Aloha Challenge Participant Schedule**

Arrival Day (Opening Dinner at 6:00pm) Friday, Dec. 27 Saturday, Dec. 28 King Garden Tour, Swimming, Snorkel & Beach Sunday, Dec. 29 Ocean Fishing Monday, Dec. 30 Ocean Fishing Tuesday, Dec. 31 Island Tour (Waipio Valley, Akaka Falls) Wednesday, Jan. 1 Ocean Fishing Thursday, Jan. 2 Ocean Fishing Coffee Farm Tour, Mauna Kea Stargazing, Reflections, Friday, Jan. 3

Shopping

Jan. 4 Depart Day (Depart anytime on this day) Saturday,

All Participants will stay at the Hawaiian Queen Coffee Garden in Kailua Kona, Hawaii. Event Address: 75-1048 Henry Street, Kailua Kona, Hawaii, 96740 (Note: This is the Big Island of Hawaii)

Cost: \$1,050 per person. All Food and Board is provided. Airfare is the responsibility of the participant.

Note: This program will only have a maximum of 15 participants.

Note: No Fishing License is required in Hawaii

Airport: All participants arrive and depart at the Kona International Airport at Keahole (KOA).

Registration: All interested participants register by scrolling down below and answer all questions.

Note: Filling out the Registration form is not a guarantee to participate. You may receive a telephone call for a short interview before being accepted as a participant in the program.

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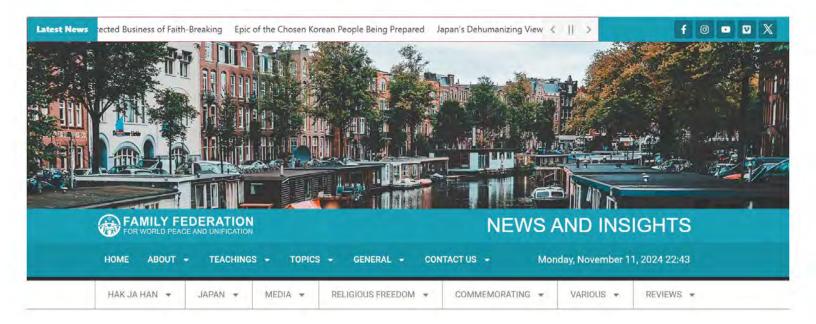
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# Japan's Dehumanizing View Shocks Young Members

• November 7, 2024: • Knut Holdhus



Dehumanizing view sold by hostile activist lawyers to Japanese authorities frightens young members of religious minority



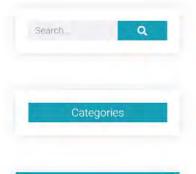
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Series: Freedom of Religion Under Threat – Part 5: **The Distorted Image of the "Second-Generation"** 

Have Second-Generation Followers of Religions Been Deprived of Their Freedom?







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Have second-generation followers of religions been deprived of their freedom?

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Dictating Japan's hostile dehumanizing policy against new religious movements and maximising their profits: 3 leading activist leftwing lawyers from National Network of Lawyers Against Spiritual Sales – from left: Masaki Kito, Hiroshi Watanabe, Hiroshi Yamaguchi. Photo: Screenshot / Bitter Winter

called 'second-generation followers' of religious organizations have been deprived of freedom to choose their religion, the freedom to date and marry, the freedom to continue their education and find employment. as a result, they have been deprived of their entire personality in all stages of life, including adulthood."

This paragraph, from a statement issued by the *National Network of Lawyers Against Spiritual Sales* (Zenkoku Benren) on 21st September 2024, calling for legal measures to aid victims of the former **Unification Church**, can be said to succinctly capture the image of "secondgeneration followers" commonly portrayed in the media. But when parents of faith practice their beliefs together with their children, does it necessarily mean they are depriving their children of freedom and taking away their entire personality?

In his paper "The Rights of Children and 'Second-Generation Followers of Religions'" published in the academic journal Religious Studies (宗教研究 – September 2024), Professor Nobuyuki Kojima (小島伸之) of Joetsu University of Education [Editor's note: located in Joetsu, Niigata] notes that it would be "excessive if all such struggles, suffering, and hardships are viewed without qualification as 'human rights issues' or 'social issues'."

He warns that such an approach may "lead to serious conflicts between freedom of religion and parental rights" and "could also disrupt the delicate nuances of parent-child relationships and the process of human development."

He also touched on the media and political response to issues related to the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification (formerly the Unification Church). Kojima expresses concern that "fundamental discussions about how to draw the limits of religious freedom and to what extent and how the state should mediate conflicts over religious freedom between parents and children have been obscured by the assumption that there must be a quick response to individual Unification Church issues."

How do current second-generation followers perceive these issues?



Yasumori Ikeda. Photo: Takahide Ishii (石井孝秀)

Yasumori Ikeda (池田泰盛), a 26-year-old **church** staff member living in *Saitama Prefecture*, dropped out of vocational school six years ago. He says his current work was his own choice, with no one influencing him. He recalls,

"I originally liked training, so while I was in vocational school, I thought about becoming a sports trainer to help people with weight loss and fitness."

It was a career that offered economic

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"Part of me wanted to live for something bigger, not just for what I personally liked."

While he also had an interest in politics, he felt his faith could help improve a "distorted society" and serve as a guiding principle for his life. This belief ultimately influenced his choice of career.

There are other perspectives on the issues faced by second-generation believers.

Koji Maki (牧孝治), a 28-year-old secondgeneration believer and church staff member living in Tokyo, often interacts with various second-generation believers due to his position.

In one case, a second-generation follower resented being pressured into faith by his parents. Although he is already an adult, he continues to rely on his parents financially. The parents, having experienced salvation through their faith, are eager to pass it on to their children. The children, however, even while complaining, end up becoming more and more dependent.



Koji Maki. Photo: Takahide Ishii (石井孝秀)

In such cases, Maki encourages parents to allow their children the freedom to decide for themselves whether to attend church, saying,

"Faith is not something to be forced. If all they can do is criticize, maybe they should try experiencing freedom first."

However, he notes that there are cases where someone will threaten the parents, "If I live on my own, I'll stop going to church." That way the person makes faith a "weapon" to extract parental support, a situation Maki finds troubling.

In many cases, religious beliefs are passed down from parents to children, but in many cases they are not. The inner conflicts that arise are part of the parent-child relationship and can vary widely. Viewing second-generation followers purely as victims, as implied by the statement from the National Network of Lawyers Against Spiritual Sales, is an extreme view that is harmful.

End of part 5: The Distorted Image of the "Second-Generation" (29th – 38th article)

**Featured image** above: Yasumori Ikeda (left) and Koji Maki on 22nd October 2024, in Tokyo. Photo: Takahide Ishii (石井孝秀).

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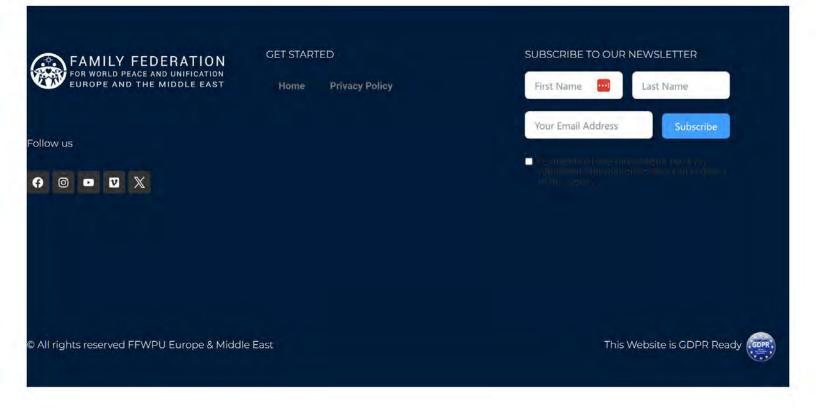
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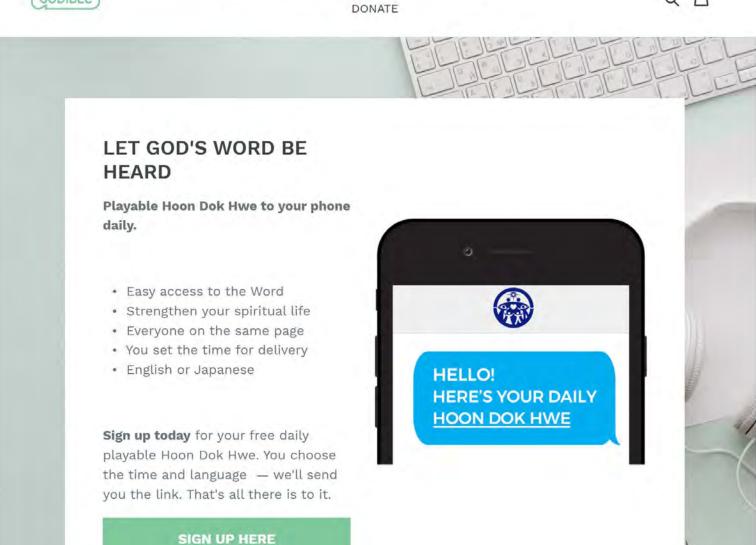
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