

FFWPU USA: It's Not Too Late to Sign Up for These Events!

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The Newsletter

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Hello family. HJI Conference report. BCSF registration. Matching Networking meeting. 24+ In-Person retreat. HJI recruiting part-time.

News

HJI’s 3rd International Conference

The HJ International Graduate School for Peace and Public Leadership convened its 3rd International Conference, at the New Yorker Hotel from August 1-3, on “Addressing Root Causes to Contemporary Threats to Religious Freedom.” The conference brought together approximately twenty scholars—both Unificationists and non-Unificationists—to discuss and reflect on this critical issue. The research and insights shared by the participants will be compiled into a forthcoming publication.



[read full report](#)

August 2025 BCSF Registration Open Now

It's not too late to register for the Blessed Culture and Sports Festival happening next week!
Register by clicking below.

A vertical poster for the BCSF 2025 festival. The background is a dark blue gradient with a subtle sunburst pattern. At the top, the text 'YOU'RE INVITED TO' is in large, white, bold, sans-serif capital letters. Below this is a large, white, stylized 'XXI' logo, with 'BCSF' in a smaller, white, bold, sans-serif font underneath it, and '2025' in a small, white, bold, sans-serif font to the right of 'BCSF'. Below the logo, the text 'AUGUST 13-17' is in large, white, bold, sans-serif capital letters, followed by 'CAMP LAKEWOOD, POTOSI, MO' in a slightly smaller, white, bold, sans-serif font. Below this, the text 'PLAY IN SPORTS LIKE SOCCER, BASKETBALL, AND VOLLEYBALL' is in white, bold, sans-serif capital letters. Below that, the text 'ENJOY OUR CULTURAL EVENTS LIKE OUR ANNUAL CONCERT AND FASHION SHOW!' is in white, bold, sans-serif capital letters. At the bottom, the text 'REGISTER AT BCSFUSA.COM' is in orange, bold, sans-serif capital letters.

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AND FASHION SHOW!**

REGISTER AT BCSFUSA.COM

[register here](#)

Matching Networking Meeting Tomorrow

Mark your calendars! The next Matching Network meeting is happening on Thursday, August 7. Please note that to be presented, you must be registered, and to receive the profile link, you need to have registered a candidate. The links will go out August 1.



BLESSING MINISTRY
FAMILY FEDERATION FOR WORLD PEACE AND UNIFICATION USA



NATIONAL WEEKLY WEBINAR

**MATCHING
NETWORK
MEETING**

HOSTED BY NATIONAL BFM TEAM

CONNECT | SHARE | EXPLORE

| AUGUST 7 | 8:30 PM EST



SUBMIT

PROFILE

TO PARTICIPATE!



[Submit Candidate Profile HERE](#)



[Register Here](#)

[submit profile](#)

[register here](#)

24+ In-Person Retreat Registration is OPEN!



This year's 24+ in-person retreat is being held September 18-21 at the YMCA Trout Lodge nestled in the heart of Missouri's scenic Ozark. With lake views, cozy lodging, and endless outdoor activities, it's the perfect setting for reflection, growth, and unforgettable moments with new friends. The retreat is open to singles 24-39 years old. Learn more and register below!

[register here](#)

Opportunity

HJ International Graduate School is seeking a Director of Alumni Relations



IN-PERSON RETREAT
FOR SINGLES AGED 24-39

24 CONNECT

SEPTEMBER 18-21
POTOTSI, MO

24PLUSCONNECT.COM

HJ International Graduate School for Peace and Public Leadership (HJI) is seeking a Director of Alumni Relations to lead and strengthen engagement with its alumni community. This part-time, remote position is ideal for someone who enjoys relationship-building, strategic communication, database management, and fundraising projects. No on-campus office hours are required.

[apply here](#)

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Participating from HJI were Thomas Walsh, President; Michael Mickler, Distinguished Professor of Historical Studies; and Thomas Ward, Professor, Peace and Development. In addition the participants included Eileen Barker, Professor Emeritus of Sociology, London School of Economic; Nicole Bauer, Professor of Religion, University of Graz, Austria; Patricia Duval, Attorney; James Edgerly, Founder, Higher Purpose Forum; Franco Famularo, President, Universal Peace Federation, Canada; Willie Fautre, Founder, Human Rights Without Frontiers; Jan Figel, President, Forum for Religious Freedom, Europe; Holly Folk, Professor of Religion, Western Washington University; Daniel Fromson, Staff Editor, The New York Times Magazine; Massimo Introvigne, Visiting Professor, University of Turin; Michael Jenkins, President, Universal Peace Federation, USA; Hirohisa Koide, Special Advisor, FFWPU Japan; Jacques Marion, President, Universal Peace Federation, Europe and the Middle East; Rebecca Moore, Professor Emerita of Religious Studies, San Diego State University; Hans Noot, Deputy Director, Human Rights Without Frontiers; Marco Respinti, Director in Charge, Bitter Winter; Aaron Rhodes, Former Director, International Helsinki Federation for Human Rights (1993-2007); Peter Ross, Esq., Attorney; Richard Swett, Former US Ambassador to Denmark and Former Member of the US House of Representatives (D-NH); and Shunsuke Uotani, Secretary General, Universal Peace Federation Japan.





While religious freedom is enshrined in many constitutions, mentioned in the Universal Declaration on Human Rights and affirmed in the UN Charter, religion remains under threat in countries across the world. Recently, the FFWPU of Japan is facing dissolution; numerous religions, particularly minority religions, suffer discrimination in countries across the world. Suffice to say there are many governments and many non-state actors who do not respect the principle of freedom of religion or belief.



The HJI International Conference Series on Peace and Public Leadership is dedicated to exploring topics related to religion, peace and public leadership, including issues such as religious freedom and ecumenical and interfaith relations. Since the founding of HJI in 1975, then known as Unification Theological Seminary, there have been many occasions when scholars have been convened for consideration of important issues impacting our world. The HJI International Conference Series continues this tradition.



HJI is grateful for the collaborative support and participation from FFWPU USA, including Rev. Demian Dunkley, Mr. Steven Jares, and Ms. Tal Zorer.

Please [CLICK HERE](#) to view the program.



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New York, NY 10036
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TO THE OZARKS

Official registration for BCSF 2025 is now open

August 13–17 | Potosi, Missouri

REGISTER



"This is community, this is culture, this is heart."

We forge unbreakable bonds through the spirit of competition and the power of shared values. More than a festival, this is **a movement**: celebrating our legacy through the thrill of sports and the beauty of our culture.





“We need to graft the authentic spirit of sports onto a foundation of the truth that teaches us to live, like God, for the sake of others, and we need to put this spirit and truth into practice.”

-Rev. Sun Myung Moon

FAQ

WHERE WILL BCSF BE IN 2025? (ADDRESS)	+
WILL BCSF PROVIDE FOOD?	+
HOW WILL ACCOMMODATIONS BE SET UP?	+



Vision Statement:

- Positively influence the culture of the world by:
- Creating a hub for Unificationists and their friends
 - Infusing the belief that individuals and communities can

impact the world

- Empowering those people to share their talents, skills and values

Culture

The cultural aspect of BCSF involve various expressions and venues for fine art, cinema, dance, and music. Cultural elements include:

- Evening programs
- Social gatherings
- Artistic avenues
- and more...

Sports

The sporting aspect of BCSF involves multiple competitive and intramural sports tournaments with teams from around the world coming to compete.

- Frisbee
- Volleyball
- Table tennis
- Basketball

SPORT RULES

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First Name



Last Name

Email Address

SIGN UP







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Director of Alumni Relations

Job Title: Director of Alumni Relations (Part-Time)

Location: Remote

Hours: 15–20 hours per week

Reports to: Office of the President

Position Summary

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Qualifications

- Strong organizational and communication skills
- Experience with CRM or alumni/donor database systems preferred
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Ability to manage multiple tasks remotely
- Flexibility to accommodate evening and weekend events
- Familiarity with email marketing platforms and content creation tools a plus
- Commitment to the mission and values of HJI
- Familiarity with the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification in the United States and worldwide
- Preferred: Alumnus/a of UTS/HJI
- Bachelor's degree required, Master's degree preferred

To Apply

Please send a cover letter and resume to administration@hji.edu.

References required.

Compensation will be commensurate with experience and background.



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