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- To : Regional Presidents, National Messiahs, National Leaders
- CC : Regional Blessed Family Department Directors
- From : Unification Church World Mission Headquarters
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Re. : True Mother's special instructions regarding the expansion of the authority to give

the Blessing Prayer in the case of Blessing Ceremonies for already married couples

May God and True Parents' blessings and love be with all regions, mission nations and providential organizations.

This is to convey True Mother's special instructions regarding the expansion of the authority to give the Blessing Prayer in the case of Blessing Ceremonies for already married couples. Please study these guidelines and do your utmost in preparing for the Blessing Ceremony.

- 1. True Mother's guidance: As she was departing for the western part of the United States on 09.12 (October 26, 2012), True Mother said that thorough preparations should be made, as was done before, when conducting a Blessing Ceremony for single candidates. At the same time, she indicated that the authority to give the Blessing Prayer in the *limited situation* of Blessing Ceremonies of already married couples should be expanded in order to facilitate the fulfillment of the mission of tribal messiahs and the restoration of nations. True Mother gave approval for this expansion on the premise that married couples would be thoroughly educated in the Principle and guided so that they become members who lead a life of faith.
- 2. The authority to give the Blessing Prayer in Blessing Ceremonies of already married couples shall be delegated to:
 - 1) Regional presidents
 - 2) National presidents recommended by the regional president and approved by the World Mission Headquarters
- **3.** This newly expanded authority to give the Blessing Prayer pertains only to Blessing Ceremonies for:
 - 1) Already married couples
 - 2) Widowed individuals
- 4. Standard of faith and qualifications for participants of Blessing Ceremonies of already married couples
 - 1) Those who believe and profess True Parents to be the Messiah
 - 2) Those educated on the following topics:
 - (1) Divine Principle (Creation, Fall, Resurrection, Restoration, Second Advent)



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(2) The significance and value of the Blessing

3) Those who regularly attend worship and offer donations

5. Administrative matters

- After taking part in the Holy Wine Ceremony and Blessing Ceremony, participants must complete the Indemnity Stick Ceremony, forty-day separation period and Three-Day Ceremony.
- 2) Participants should be guided in faith so that they continue to lead a life of worship and tithing after the Blessing Ceremony.
- 3) Newly blessed couples must be registered in the database of the national headquarters.