

## Matching Ceremony for unmarried 2nd & 3rd Generation Children who ascended

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On 10.29 by the heavenly calendar in the 5th year of Cheon Il Guk (December 16th, 2017), the matching ceremony for unmarried 2nd & 3rd generation children who had ascended was held in the basement (B1) in the Cheonseong Wanglim Palace. The reason for this event is because in February, 1999 True Parents said, "Let the children who were born as 2nd, 3rd generation of blessed families and who ascended without receiving the blessing grow, and let them receive the Blessing." True Mother told the president of the training center to hold this event.

At this matching ceremony, there were a total of 28 couples of ascended 2nd & 3rd generation children from Korea, Japan, the United States, Germany, the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Austria; about 100 parents and relatives attended the ceremony. This event was led by the director of the Korean office at the Chung Pyung training center, In-cheon Kim (master of ceremonies - MC) in the following order: opening remarks (MC), gyeong-bae (bow), representative prayer (Vice-President Myong-kwan Lee), address and benediction (President Gi-seong Lee), announcement of matching (MC), cake cutting, congratulatory song (Shingokjiae), cheers of Eog Mansei (Director, Japanese training center office, Seong-nam Kim). There was a commemorative photo and a reception in which there was a toast by Vice-President Myong-kwan Lee, conversation time between parents and a photo opportunity for the families of each matched couple.

The parents from both sides, brides and grooms, met and shared sad and unfortunate stories of their ascended children and their lives. They were grateful for the time, sometimes shedding tears, sometimes smiling as they took pictures together to capture memories of these happy moments. President Gi-seong Lee delivered a message at this event, which was as follows:

"You have the grief of sending your children beforehand to Heaven, but you can live a spiritual life ahead of others because your children are in the spirit world. Following True Father, Hyo Jin Nim, Heung Jin Nim, Dae Mo Nim, and your beloved children are also in the spirit world. Please communicate with them. There is such a remarkable change in the quality of the spiritual world that now we can say and act as the Holy Spirit tells us to. True Mother proclaimed the Chung Pyung age of the substantial Holy Spirit in the last Autumn Great Works.

There are two kinds of blessings. The first is to inherit true love, true life and true lineage through the marriage blessing for fallen humankind and to resurrect as a couple. The other important blessing is the blessing for the ascended. You must be united with True Parents to receive the blessing for the ascended. The soul goes to heaven and the body to the earth. The only people who have been completely united with True Mother can receive the Seonghwa ceremony. The Wonjeon ceremony is like going back to True Mother's womb. Now engaged and blessed children are waiting in the spirit world. When the day comes that you are to ascend, you should be ready to go to Heaven, holding hands and singing hymns together with them."



### **1400th HyoJeong Chung Pyung 2-day Workshop and Blessing Ceremony for unmarried 2nd & 3rd Generation Children who had ascended**

On October 29-30 by the heavenly calendar in the 5th year of Cheon Il Guk (December 16-17, 2017), the 1400th HyoJeong Chung Pyung 2-day workshop was held.

On December 15th President Gi-seong Lee delivered his determination to take on his new responsibility as the President of the Family Federation for a Heavenly Korea and pledged to make great effort to unite Korea with True Parents through spirit and truth by 2020.

The 1400th Chung Pyung 2-day workshop, the first which was held on January 19, 1995, together with the second stage of the providence, included the Blessing ceremony for unmarried 2nd & 3rd generation children who had ascended. During the matching ceremony parents shed tears, not tears of sorrow but tears of joy and emotion.

The Chung Pyung special event in Brazil was held from December 8-10 to carry out Chung Pyung works around the world, by the order of True Mother. President Gi-seong Lee introduced various testimonies based mainly on the contents of this event. During Chanyang Yeoksa he gave the Latin American leaders a benediction prayer to help Latin Americans remove their evil spirits. He introduced their testimonies which included their feelings of love for True Parents and the greatness of Chung Pyung Yeoksa, which they experienced during the removal of evil spirits from themselves.

President Gi-seong Lee gave a presentation using video clips conveying the atmosphere of the ceremony with members in tearful prayers and singing during the Chanyang Yeoksa. Through this event, leaders and members have joined forces and committed to host a rally of 100,000 participants in Brazil in the future. It was a very meaningful event for all and left everyone with a feeling of hope and confidence.

'Ancestor Blessing Ceremony of 1-308 generations and Blessing Ceremony for unmarried 2nd & 3rd Generation Children who had ascended'

The following day at 7 a.m, 28 couples from six countries - South Korea, Japan, the United States, Germany, DR Congo and Austria - were honored in a grand ceremony in the main hall of the Cheonseong Wanglim Palace to celebrate the Blessing for unmarried 2nd & 3rd generation children who had ascended. The Ancestor Blessing ceremony of 1-308 generations was also held. President Gi-seong Lee explained in his speech about the grace of the Blessing for the unmarried 2nd & 3rd generation children who had ascended, and expressed his gratitude to Heavenly Parent, True Parents, Heung Jin Nim and Dae Mo Nim.

The Blessing ceremony for unmarried 2nd & 3rd generation children who had ascended was carried out in the following order: holy wine ceremony, holy water ceremony, affirmation of blessing vows, ring ceremony, proclamation of the blessing, cheers of Eog Mansei and departure of the spirits. It was a two-day event including the matching ceremony held on the first day. It ended with amazing moments as the ascended children's parents and relatives were overcome with emotion and gratitude.