



July 21, 2017

Dear Families,

United together, centered on our Heavenly Parent and True Parents, we were able to bring a great victory at Madison Square Garden. What took place was truly awe-inspiring, and brought great joy to our Heavenly Parent and True Parents. It could not have been possible without each person's contribution. Thank you!

Many are asking, 'What's next?' There are as many answers to this question, as there are people who were inspired by what they experienced at Madison Square Garden. The possibilities are endless, and there is no need to limit ourselves. That being said, as Tribal Messiahs, each of us has the opportunity to take the next step to share the Marriage Blessing. During her speech at Madison Square Garden, True Mother expressed that:

"Fallen humankind cannot return to God. They need to receive engrafting by the True Parents who among all human beings, achieved victory. That is the Blessing, which the Family Federation offers. When this nation and the world is overflowing with these Blessed Families, God's dream, humankind's hope, True Parents' hope, and the one human family's hope can become reality..."

A world of genuine freedom, equality, peace, unity, and happiness is not far off. When all of you gathered here today become one with True Parents and practice living for the sake of others with true love toward those around you—your tribe, your church and your nation—we can build a united world with our own hands."

Our beloved True Mother will be directly officiating the Hyojeong Cosmic Blessing Ceremony on September 7, 2017 (Korea time). The ceremony will take place in conjunction with the Fifth Anniversary of True Father's Ascension. Communities throughout the USA are encouraged to host a Marriage Blessing Ceremony on the evening of Wednesday, September 6. [Click here for more information on hosting a ceremony.](#) All matched couples and married couples that have not yet received the Marriage Blessing are invited to attend this Cosmic Blessing officiated by True Mother either in Korea or in the USA.

All matched couples planning to attend the Blessing Ceremony must complete the [Online Application](#) prior to **Sunday, July 30**. [Married Couple Registration](#) will be open up until the time of the Blessing. An info sheet with requirements for participating couples is attached.

For more information about the 2017 Hyojeong Cosmic Blessing, please visit bfm.familyfed.org/cosmicblessing2017/. In addition, attached is an info sheet with requirements for participating couples.

This is a great opportunity for us to invite any married couple (friends, relatives, neighbors, coworkers, etc.) to receive the Marriage Blessing from True Parents. In response to questions from Tribal Messiahs and pastors, we have created a [Sharing the Blessing Frequently Asked Questions](#) page on Heavenlytribe.org. Please take a look, and don't hesitate to contact us if you have any additional questions.

You can introduce the Marriage Blessing and find Tribal Messiah resources using the following:

Blessing Outreach Materials: - [Learn more and purchase](#) the *More Than a Marriage* brochure, a 5-Step explanation brochure, and customizable Blessing invitation card.

Flyer: [Download Invitation](#) - Invitational flyer that you can customize with information about your local ceremony.

Website: <https://blessingamerica.org/learn-more/> - Newcomer friendly website designed to introduce the Marriage Blessing.

Ceremony Planning: [Open Resources](#) - Helpful resources to host a Marriage Blessing Ceremony in your community. Passcode: ministryleader

We wish you the very best in your preparations for this upcoming Marriage Blessing! The national Blessing & Family Ministry team can be contacted at bfmadmin@unification.org to answer any questions regarding the 2017 Hyojeong Cosmic Blessing. For Tribal Messiah related questions, please contact the Witnessing and Education Ministry team at evangelism@unification.org.

Sincerely,



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