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Dear Everyone,

Time for a newsletter. You have created it yourselves by asking me questions; together with my answers, *we* created this newsletter. Please take the time to read it; I think your questions (and my answers) are valuable.

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Question:

Recently someone asked me about how to bring a Christian Pastor to the Marriage Blessing. The Pastor is single and, therefore, needs a spouse.

Answer:

Thank you for reaching out. More and more clergy are going to come closer to us because of all the work we do with ACLC. We absolutely welcome them. We want them to support the work we do, even if they feel more comfortable within their own faith. That is not really a problem any more. We are way beyond simply the missionary type of membership. As we are expanding to include many more individuals, each person can start their path forward towards becoming divine as our Heavenly Parent is.

When you feel a person truly understands the significance of The Blessing, encourage him or her to register on OMS and he/she will be able to choose their category: ACLC Member or Affiliate. The process for approval will be much simpler, not as rigorous as for our Unificationist members, but still very acceptable. As long as this person wants the Blessing from the True Parents, there is a way.

Their ability to understand our faith will come with practice. Their love for Jesus is too important to dismiss, but they will respect and even admire, support, and approve of "Father and Mother Moon" because they can see that we are doing a good job changing humanity.

I have a similar person here in Delaware. She is a Christian Pastor. She loves True Mother and even went to Korea not too long ago. She is completely on fire. However, her love for Jesus is absolute, and there is nothing wrong with that.



She is truly a great person and she told me she wants to be blessed, too. Such people are truly precious and, I believe, prepared.

It is not the “label” that makes a person great; it is the heart, honesty, and determination of a person striving to be great, that makes them great.

Question:

A Candidate on OMS stated in an email: My parents got blessed seven years ago. I am a Blessed Child. Both my parents believe.

Answer:

I am sorry, Dear, but if your Parents only received the Blessing seven years ago, you are not a "Blessed" Child, you are a 1st Generation Unificationist. There is nothing wrong with that, so be joyful about who you are!

A Blessed Child is an individual conceived after The Blessing. According to our faith, The Blessing conditionally removes original sin from a Blessed Couple. The Blessing allows a couple to give birth to children who *also* do not have original sin. But let me be clear: just because someone is born without original sin does not mean that they are special, better, and without problems.

Originally, after True Parents started to give the Blessing to couples back in 1960, children from these couples were regarded as "perfect" from the time they were conceived. This misconception created a lot of problems because the children were not without fault, not without difficult or unique personalities, or without the influence of a lineage that was far from perfect. Some of these children were not raised properly with correct guidance and some of them did not fair very well once they reached adulthood.

Now back to you. You are a member of the 1st Generation. Be proud of it. You chose (following your parents' faith) to be a Unificationist, something you did not have to. You made the effort to understand the teaching. This is truly important to remember. I know that in some countries 1st Generation Unificationists are treated like second class citizens, but they are not. Don't fall for that. In the eyes of God, you have as much value as any other individual. It is not the “label” that



makes a person great; it is the heart, honesty, and determination of a person striving to be great, that makes them great.

Someday you will be Blessed. As a 1st Generation Unificationist, you will do the five steps to remove the original sin from your DNA. After completing these steps, your couple will give birth to blessed children. Please don't treat your blessed child as if he or she is perfect. A child is a *child*—whether blessed or non-blessed. To ensure a blessed child will become an even greater person than his or her own parents, give that child the respect and love as well as the discipline he or she deserves and *needs*. That is the goal of every parent.

*The five steps required for First Generation Unificationists to remove the original sin (done in order):

- 1) Holy Wine Ceremony
- 2) Blessing Ceremony
- 3) Chastening Ceremony
- 4) 40-Day Separation directly following The Blessing
- 5) 3-Day Ceremony

According to teaching of our True Parents and our faith, these Five Steps done properly will remove original sin from one's DNA.

Within the OMS system, what is the meaning of the word “Requested” and the yellow envelope?

Question:

A Matching Supporter asked: On my Candidate home screen, under “Potential Candidates” there is the word “requested” indicated in a column, and another column has a yellow envelope. What do these mean?

Answer:

The **yellow envelope** means that an individual for (whom you are a Matching Supporter) has received a message from someone. Please encourage them to read the message as well as the Limited Profile and respond.

The word “**requested**” means that someone who has read your Candidate's



Limited Profile is asking for the release of your Candidate's *Full Profile*. Obviously, this person feels that your Candidate could be a potential spouse. Encourage them to pay attention to the Limited Profile of this individual. Take a week or so to think about it, discuss it with you and pray. After that, the Candidate should either deny the request or grant the request. It is all up to them.

If the request is denied, then the other individual will know about it (without knowing who denied the request) and their status will once again be put back to "Candidate," and these two individuals will never be presented to each other again.

If the request is granted, then he or she will have access to his picture and name and he will have access to her Full Profile as well. They then should start in earnest their 21-Day Introduction Phase to find out if they could, indeed, become a couple.

I truly appreciate each person asking, prodding, questioning, the matching process and the use of OMS. It makes all of us more efficient and more knowledgeable about both.

Thank you so much,
With gratitude, always,


Anne-Marie

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