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## Newsletter –August-September 2020

Dear beloved brothers and sisters,

I hope this newsletter finds you well as we join our True Mother for a successful Rally of Hope.

There are many people who wish to receive the Marriage-Blessing of our True Parents. Though most of them are members of our movement, some of them are not. OMS exists with the mission to cater to all those who wish to receive the Marriage-Blessing.

As such, OMS has created different categories in order to accommodate everybody who wants to use OMS in order to find their eternal spouse. Recently, someone asked me to explain what the OMS category “Affiliates” represents. This question has been in my thoughts for weeks, leading to this newsletter.

## DO NOT CONSIDER YOURSELF BOXED IN...

...by the categories on OMS. The only reason they are there is to give you an opportunity to identify yourself better.

### *Here is a description of some of the categories:*

**1st Generation Unificationist:** A person who consciously decided to adopt the Unification faith as their primary spiritual path, and might easily choose to be involved in many of the Movement’s activities.

**Blessed Child:** An individual born after their parents received the Marriage-Blessing from our True Parents and decided to follow in their parents’ footsteps. Like a 1st Generation Unificationist, he or she considers the Unification faith his or her primary spiritual path and might be involved in many of the Movement’s activities.

**Jacob Child:** A term used in the past to describe individuals who were quite young when their parents became Unificationists. And after being raised within the Unificationist Faith, they chose the Unification Faith as their primary spiritual path in their adulthood.

**Affiliates:** Many of these individuals came to know about the Unification Movement from participating in the many conferences the Movement has held throughout the years.

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However, Affiliates category may also be used by 1st Generation Unificationists or Blessed Children who, at some point in their lives, decided to follow a different path. What they have in common is a sincere regard for the work of Unificationists throughout the world, and will support and contribute to the best of their abilities. Many want to participate in the Marriage-Blessing of our True Parents because they understand the value of the ceremony and its vows.

**ACLIC and WCLC:** Affiliates who are also religious leaders.

## MY OWN TESTIMONY

By faith, I was a 1st Generation Unificationist from November 4th, 1972. My husband and I received the Marriage-Blessing from our True Parents on July 1st, 1982. We gradually distanced ourselves from the Unification Movement after the summer of 1990. We remained certain of the value of the Divine Principle, but in those days, we truly were distant with little connection, except for a few friends. However, all that changed when my husband once again took a position within the Unification Movement in January 2003.

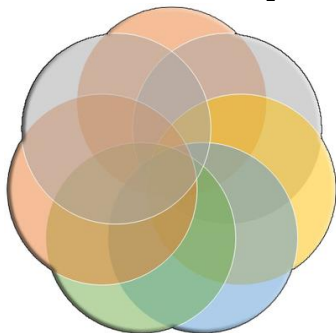
My spiritual journey has made me who I am today. I am about to become 70 years of age and am still learning and improving all aspects of my being. I feel spiritually rich, and I hope to have the ability to give for many years to come.

## ORIGINAL IDEA

*The Affiliate portal was originally created...*

...to help Blessed Children and 1st Generation Unificationists who do not want to be part of the core membership of the Unification Movement find each other for the purpose of ultimately receiving the Marriage-Blessing from our True Parents.

I believe these individuals love God, respect our True Parents, and understand the Divine Principle but do not feel the need or the desire to be involved as core members. They want to support if they can. Many of their friends are Unificationists. They appreciate what the Unification Movement is trying to accomplish, and many seek to become Blessed Couples.



In the image on the left, each circle represents a vocation. Some of us are missionaries, while others are businesspeople. We also have politicians, entertainers, and artists, and members of the media. And let us not

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forget those of the scientific and medical communities. We are all pieces of the same cosmic puzzle that needs all the others to be completed.



**For just the cost of a couple of cups of coffee, tea, or hot chocolate.....**

...you could support the efforts of the Online Matching System (OMS) in a big and meaningful way!

With gratitude, always,  
Anne-Marie