

Mi Son's European STF Reflection

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My motivation to come to STF was to live at least one year of my life (before blessing) investing in a public mission. Why? I wanted to know the reason why my parents just gave up on everything they had, even leave their families to follow a man they didn't know because what he said was the truth. And understanding this, to be able to build my faith, not just have a superficial faith, but truly believe with all my heart, and create deep roots in me, specially for a preparation for my future life, as a wife, a mother, a worker, everything, to be able to have an unshakable faith, absolute love, faith and obedience towards what I believe.

And well, to come to STF was one of the wiser choices I made in my life! Actually, I didn't really choose it, it just come to me, STF was my B plan, and suddenly everything just worked so well for me to come, that I see was God guiding me even when I was not aware about it.

STF gave me the opportunity to grow in ways that in nowhere else I could. Since the very beginning, I listened everything, I tried to receive everything, every lecture, every testimony, every morning service, and learn something with everybody around me. Sometimes was hard to realize and accept how far I was from the point I wished to be, but ok, that's why I came, to find my way, to find myself, my value, to see and experience by myself if everything that I heard since I was born was true. And now, I can say, with all my heart, yes, is true. I experienced by myself, I cried, I was desperate, I was ashamed by me, I regret so many wrong choices I made, but every time I decided to go on, to don't give up, and to try again, I felt something. I felt forgiveness, happiness, understanding, love, I felt God so intense and in so different and unexpected ways.

When I think about the experiences that I had during this year, I think again about my parents, they invested, almost 10 years in these intensive way, fundraising and witnessing, with a really strong persecution just to be a Moonie, to build the foundation for today, to prepare the world for us, being the pioneers bringing our brothers and sisters back to God, they had the hard work, and now is our time to take the responsibility for the fight. You may think maybe is too much to think in this way, but I decided that from my side, I will not be afraid or hesitate to do what I need to do. God needed to wait so long for the True Parents of Humanity to be proclaimed, because before it, people was not able to understand their position, and their responsibility, in consequence, they didn't fulfill their responsibilities, and God needed to wait again, and again, until someone that could change it could come. And this person is True Father, and with True Mother, for the first time as True Parents, they finally gave back True Love, True Joy to God.

I know that now I have this fire inside of me, because for one year, I was in an environment completely prepared for me to grow internally in a safe way, with so many people guiding and taking care of me. But now, the real challenge will come, when I go back to the real life, and I need to improve my shields, to keep my fire burning and growing inside my heart, and then, find a way to spread it around me. I know the barriers will come after my amazing STF year, but I'm not afraid of it, I know how powerful we are, we just need to use this power. So, thank you STF, thank you everybody who work to make this an amazing year, and make it possible for me. I am endless grateful for everything I gained, and how STF could gave me the opportunity to grow in so many aspects. Thank you!