

2nd Kick Off Workshop

"Discover our identity as God's Sons and Daughters" 19th - 25th October in Schmitten, Germany

Dear Parents,

After this 2-week period of FR, we all gathered to attend the 2nd Kick Off WS. Brothers & sisters were happy to see each other again and build stronger bonds. The workshop consisted of reflection-time from the Kick-Off FR, followed by lectures & guidance from Matthew Cohn and from the parent's committee - Seija Kuenzig, Anne-marie Persson and David Perry. 1st-years got a chance to share their testimonies of their new FR experiences, and then elders (staff & STF graduates) also shared their experiences and guidance. Brothers & sisters were also able to share their talents in family evening, creating a beautiful & joyful atmosphere. We also went on a hike, enjoying each other's company and sports in God's creation. The workshop ended with goal-settings for the year, followed by beginning this upcoming FR condition of 3-weeks in Norway and Sweden.

Please pray for all the participants to have a life changing experience these next weeks, where they can discover God, as a living reality. Also, pray for their safety and success as we look ahead to prepare a spiritual foundation to welcome True Mother to Europe and welcome in the Foundation Day.

STF Staff



STF Director Dale Rose with wife Galina and children



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Michael Youmans MC and Lecturer

Kick Off Fundraising

Location: Denmark

Our first fundraising experience was held in Denmark, where all 5 teams fundraised for the 2 weeks. As Denmark is an English-speaking country, members as a whole could have a deeper experience as it gave them the opportunity to love people and express themselves more freely. Mostly they fundraised in pairs; to build confidence and to also learn and inherit from each other. All teams metup after the 1st week to have a mini gathering/workshop, sharing their experiences with one another, enjoy bowling together, and also receiving guidance from Dale Rose, which gave everyone inspiration and energy to invest into the final-week. All teams were able to finish this Kick-off condition in good spirit, having new experiences of FR alone, going deeper with people, and blitzing, which all allowed them to finish victoriously.

Reflections

"I realise how enjoyable it can be to help others. Whenever is difficult, I remind myself that I have the potential to help my team members and this is what makes me go on. This is the most beautiful thing I have ever done in life."

Deborah Cali (Team leader, Italy)

"I feel the workshop brought me back to God, the connection I always had when I was young. I realised that STF is a training place for me to really inherit the faith of True Parents, to find it, to feel it and to trust in God, that he has a plan for my future."

Nicole Thurner (Germany)

"I really enjoyed the kick off condition. I think I was so blessed to be given such a lovely 1st team. I am grateful for the MFT experience because I have grown so much but I still have a lot to learn internally and I feel ready to be a part of my next team and continue into the next chapter of my spiritual journey."

Esther Sobambi (United Kingdom)







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Reflections

"After many lectures, I realised I should not follow my negative feelings and I should just push myself so that I can break through the wall of my limitation. I think I missed the chance to break my limitation in the 1st condition. Since I know now, I can try to break it next time."

Suyeon Song (Korea)

"I really liked this workshop. When I was younger, not more than 2 years ago, I hated workshops. I did not understand their purpose, nor their support. Now I enjoy listening to lectures and testimonies."

Yuri Cordelino (Italy)

"Generally from this workshop, I am trying to learn to check my thoughts, motivation and words. I need to become humble, truly love others, actually trying to become that "minus". I realise I came here because I really, really need to make God real, to make my faith real, otherwise I do not think I will be able to stick with everything."

Rika Jones (United Kingdom)













1st Condition Fundraising Teams



Location: Norway, Bergen Teamleader: D. G. &
Soon Hee Lall
Hitomi Mingala, Rika Jones, SoonHee Lall, Frances Redihough, Mona Schoelzl
D. G., Jin Son Ader



Location: Sweden, Jönköping Teamleader: Deborah Cali

Nicole Thurner, Tamara Priesner, Deborah Cali, Aurelie Dumas Godwin Chionna, Julian Ganz



Location: Sweden, Göteborg Teamleader: Francesca Cirelli

Natalie Rizzi, Suyeon Song, In-Shil Campagne, Francesca Cirelli Benjamin Gillberg, Shigenori Suzuki



Location: Norway, East Oslo Teamleader: Victoria Marsh

Lyee Moulinet, Esther Sombambi, Yumi Tasaka, Victoria Marsh James Claxton, Simone Tammiso



Location: Norway, Stavanger Teamleader: Victor Vanalderveld

Victor Vanalderveld, Seun Hyun Yang, Yuri Cordelino Nathalie Dumas, Monika Inferrera, Romica Spiegl