

KICK-OFF WORKSHOP

1st - 5th October 2012



"SEE THE OPPORTUNITY IN CHALLENGE"

Dear Parents,

Despite STF being a bit smaller this year, the feeling in this kick-off workshop felt quickly like a family. By the time they left everyone were inspired and excited to go to the front line and experience what their parents had done for so many years. There are finally 33 participants this year on STF from 9 different countries: France, Italy, Germany, Austria, United Kingdom, Sweden, Korea, USA and Australia. The area for this first kick-off period is Denmark and they are now on their way there. They will be FR for 2 weeks before the next workshop back in Schmitten, Germany on the 19th to the 25th of October. We made an improvement this year where the teams will now stay in official camping places, for greater safety and security.

Pres. Song and Mrs Song both visited our workshop bringing messages directly from True Mother. They gave inspiration to us all and hope that our movement will continue to grow and prosper beyond the challenges we face. Pres. Song shared his heart with members, shaking each person's hand and welcomed questions at dinner with all the staff and team leaders. Mrs Song also welcomed questions and all sisters embraced her by waving good bye on her departure.



REFLECTIONS

"I feel very grateful that I could have the prayer evening last night. Even though doubts may arise at points I usually feel that I can actually help people. I want to deny myself and only think of others. This world is in suffering and pain and I feel that even if one person may be waiting for me, I will love them. I want to make a new determination to support my new family, which is my team. So, that we can unite with each other and enjoy our experiences together. Even if I become depressed I will not leave, I will stay with STF and God until the end. The sharing we had in our team about our parents was very deep and comforting to know about each other's parents. Thank you staff and 2nd years for this opportunity to grow."

James Claxton (UK)

"I want to focus solely on the goal I have and do my utmost best to fulfill it. I want to hit head on, every challenge I meet and be grateful for it. With this in my mind I want to be able to make every day at least ten people happy through connecting them to God. I want them to make an offering but I especially want them to be truly happy about it. Even if I cannot reach this goal I do not want to give up. Even if I am ill, suffering or depressed, I will not complain but find a way to hang on and at least try my best. Maybe it is selfish but to do this year I need this encouragement from the workshop so that I can face challenge and that I can keep promises. Thank you for this awesome workshop. I had an amazing fun time."

Tamara Priesner (Germany)

"Sometimes these days, I felt so lonely even if there are people around me. When I suffer most of the time I do not tell people. I must change this part of my personality but it is very difficult. Actually, I am like my father, I am always saying "I do not need help, I am strong person" But I think that here I have understood the importance of speaking and sharing my pain. In this 2 weeks, if I am going to feel sad I am going to honestly speak to my team leader and not be hiding this behind me. I also understood that importance of FR. This money we are going to make is not for us it is for God. I am very motivated to do my best every day to make God happy and to understand his heart. I need to understand that God cannot work through me unless I am connected. I really want to comprehend the depth of his heart. I want to make the best time of my life. God has so suffered so much because of human beings. I think that Fund Raising will be interesting because when we are going to be rejected by the people, we will have the chance to experience the feeling that God has endured when, he was rejected by his children"

Aurélie Dumas (France)

"This kickoff workshop was such an eye opener to me. Gosh, I thought I knew what was expected on STF but it is really so much deeper than I could ever imagine. The way I have always seen FR was that you offered up a year of suffering to God and that there was not really much more to it. Now, feel that I, at least intellectually, understand the meaning of why we fundraise and its value. We can learn so much from it. We can learn so much about people. And not only about the people around us on the frontline but we can for the first time truly figure out who we are.

When I was making the decision on whether or not I should come to STF, I was almost thinking that I might not ever need STF and that I could do without it. Now I have gained the confidence that even I can do all these amazing things and be truly happy for the first time in my life!!! Thank you so much to all the staff for everything. Dale you are such an amazing person, you have no idea. Thank you, for understanding us 2nd gen and for giving us room to make mistakes and still never stop pouring out love to us."



KICK-OFF FR TEAMS



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