







## **Third HJ Sports Festival**

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n June 2nd, 2019 2nd
Generation Department
together with FFWPU Russia
conducted the 3rd HJ Sports Festival in
Moscow, Russia. To the Festival that
was led by the Chairman of FFWPU
Russia, Yuriy Gavrilin, the Leader of
the Eastern Europe 2nd Generation
Department, Mrs. Elena Kalmatskaya
and one local city leader, Mr. Evgeny
Mirzyanov, joined 189 participants
from Moscow, N. Novgorod, Ryazan,
Saratov, Ulyanovsk, Tula including
108 children and 81 adults.

The Festival opened with a speech of Yuriy Gavrilin, Chairman of FFWPU Russia, who brought up a message of the role that sport plays for human health and building a world of peace.

Then we enjoyed a karate performance done by 2 gen, divided all the participants into four large groups and held funny family competitions all together. This helped everyone to feel themselves as a part of one big family and a greater idea of sports that could naturally unify people.

One of the goals of the Festival was recognizing the 2nd generation who are engaged in sports professionally for more than 3 years. Together with their parents and all the guests, we proudly celebrated success of eleven 2nd gen who work hard 365 days a year promoting healthy life and ideas of sports by their example. They were awarded with diplomas and nice presents.

The program of the Festival included 9 sports competition, such as:

1.athletics in 100 m and 3 km run; 2.basketball;

3.volleyball;

4. Constitution

4.football;

5.chess;

6.table tennis;

7.weight-lifting;

8.badminton;

9.lotto for senior members.

For the very little sportsmen, our youngest 2nd gens, with their parents we prepared a special obstacle course so they could enjoy this family day with everyone.

Among 189 participants, 47 winners received medals, diplomas during the Closing ceremony. It was very inspiring to see when Blessed Families

naturally welcomed and care of 2nd gen, young members, new guests, and pre-married couples who received the Blessing earlier in past ceremonies. Some of them got medals that also contributed to building a good long-lasting relationship centered on the ideals True Parents.

We would like to thank all the participants of the 3rd HJ Sports Festival and express our deep gratitude to all the leaders who supported us from the first day of organization period until the end, as well as those brothers and sisters who were in charge of competitions, celebration feast, who held all technical moments etc.

Most of all, we would like to thank Heavenly Parents and True Parents for guiding us to be able successfully handle this Festival. The Festival became an annual celebration of sport achievements and we hope it will develop and serve the raising proud 2nd generation and create health family culture centered on Heavenly Parents and True Parents that attracts everyone.



















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