

7-day Monaco Summer Workshop 2013

Nice, Monaco, 18. – 24. August 2013



We have successfully finished our 3rd 7-day Monaco Summer Workshop 2013, which was held in the Nice Peace Embassy from 18th to 24th of August 2012. It was definitely a great time for all the participants. We thank Heavenly Parent and True Parents giving us this great opportunity and precious experiences.

There were 15 participants BCs from Belgium, Paris and Monaco region, from 14 to 23 years old. As we were not so many people, we have decided to do the WS in our center in a family atmosphere. More than half of funds to finance the WS were raised by Takeyuki and Akinori Koyama and Jung-jae Hur through fundraising and the rest were participation fees. Staffs for organizing, food, lectures etc. were all members of Monaco church (Koyama family, Hochster Family, Hur Family, Jouan Family, Bliksas Family).

The theme of the WS was "Searching our mission for the vision 2020". We wanted to emphasize that we all have missions and responsibilities to accomplish. Considering the era after the coming of the heaven and after Foundation Day, through Jeong-Seong / HDH, it is our responsibility to resemble to Heavenly Parent's attribute and reject Satan's attributes in order to embody Heavenly Parents in us and live with Him. Also, we all have our personal mission and it is through Jeong Seong conditions we can find out our mission centering on God's providence. When we take this path we will pay indemnities which we will have to overcome and through that victory Heavenly Parent can give us blessings. In fine, we need to work together and fully exploit our talents in our mission in order to build substantially the ideal society, CIG.

To do this, we have chosen sub-themes for each day, centering on that, we have selected appropriate HDH from CSG and we read them and discussed between participants about what we have just read in the morning. Then, we had lectures followed by team discussion then they came back with few questions each and again discussed with lecturer. In the afternoon until the evening we had outside activities and we concluded the day with team meeting to share spiritual experiences about the day.

The sub-theme was The God's Creation; God's Providence of Salvation/TP's Providence of restoration/and Our responsibility in the providence of Re-creation; Spiritual world and power of Jeong Seong; Indemnity; God's Ideal Society.

Appropriate lectures were given by Patrick Jouan, the National leader of Monaco, Pascal Hochster and Jung-jae HUR.

Concerning the outdoor activities, the idea was to have a lot of activities and have fun in the nature in order to feel and share God's love and to grow stronger relationship as brothers and sisters. As we are very close to the

Mediterranean Sea and Alps mountains we had 3days camping, canyoning (kind of adventure in the mountain river: jumping into the water, swim etc), Hiking, Via Ferrata, Driving small boats in the sea, fishing, harpoon fishing, going to the beach etc... Kids had lot of fun. I am convinced that it is important for them to be close to the nature and feel God's creation and develop heart through experiencing.

Here below are the testimonies of several participants and some pictures, video will be available soon. We hope that these kids through lectures and being with the nature can find out their mission in order to glorify God and True Parents as filial pieties with full of talents.

We hope to continue every year!

Thank you
Patrick Jouan

Testimonies:

This workshop helped me to find my internal goal in my daily life, to link what I learn in school with my mission in the Church. I would like to study in order to increase the knowledge available in establishing the Freedom Society, which does not seem to me so unrealistic. Thank you all for this workshop, it really helped me!

The WS has also allowed me to ask questions about myself. Is what I do really for God or for myself?

I really learned a lot this week. And I changed. You changed me. Positively course, there was just that in the WS. I really felt the love from everyone, it was a lot, it feels like I am in a cloud.

I had never experienced something as deep and strong as this time. It never happened to me to want to stay longer that much. Stay there, enjoy, learn, have fun and discuss. When I look back, it is as if I had just woken up from a dream.

Really a great WS which forges links between the activities and internal side. Discussions, questions/answers was a good idea. It is only like this we get interested in the subject but also find answers to our questions.

I have not learned something very new, only some points on the True Father's life course and meanings on the providence etc. But I learned more on the importance of indemnity, conditions, responsibilities etc..

I found the conference very well given and explained. But I have not always found the link between the conference and the theme "Searching his/her mission." I have learned many new things. Usually when I go to a WS is often repetitive, of course I learn but there are many things I've already heard before. But here, I had heard and learned new things that I have never heard. I loved it.





