

1st European Matching Supporter Training 2014

Camberg Neumühle, Germany, 25. – 27. April 2014



22 participants gathering from 9 countries were excited to experience our first European Matching Supporter Training from April 25th through April 27th. We were also impressed to see the refurbishment of our beloved Camberg Training Centre which has been taking place in an accelerated manner because of a generous grant from our True Mother.

BFD Reps and Matching Supporters came from:

Austria: Christian Zwerger and Kathrin Ladstaetter, Denmark: Jane Toresen, France: Martine Kobayashi, Germany: Anna Schmidt, Geros Kunkel, Ellen Van Kampen, Margaret Staudinger and Sarah Zimmerman, Holland: Lisa Janssen, Hungary: Leonita Zahora and Zusana Krebsz, Luxemburg: Alan and Brigitte Sillitoe, Poland: Christoph and Martha Kral and the UK: Dr David and Mrs Kyung Ja Hanna, Keiko Shaw and Susan Crosthwaite. Our BFD Secretary Liliana Karlsson also joined us virtually via skype for several of the presentations and discussions.

Almost constant spring rain made the nature so verdant and energising; also everyone pictured here with the kitchen team and elder sister Rita Seewald and driver of the Austrian staff, Peter Ladstaetter

Our excitement at being together and seeing old and dear friends was tempered by the seriousness of our deliberations. Having six new-comers to the team (who are not BFD Reps) gave us also lots of encouragement and hope that the burdens of helping the Blessed families across Europe is being shared more widely. This will make us more effective and the burden lighter. Thankyou to each one of you for becoming part of the team of "education, care and support" which *is* the European Blessed Family Department!!!



Susan gave presentations about the 1st Gen Matching System and “What and who is a Matching Supporter?” Here David introduces Jane Toresen for Sunday Morning Hoon dok Hwe about the culture of being brothers and sisters and investing everything in order to receive everything. David also spoke about supporting parents and chaired brainstorming session about how to improve our practice and learn from mistakes.



Susan with Margaret Staudinger who graciously organised registration, invitations, transportation and accommodation – Thank you Margaret!! The newly refurbished meeting room with amazing acoustics!



Networking is a major part of building the best possible base for cooperation.

One new optional feature of this meeting was time in the evening after dinner for a ‘Healing Circle’ on Friday and Saturday. Susan Crosthwaite led them. Centring on prayer and our love for one another, we worked with a combination of the Emotion Code and Constellation method. It was a most enlightening, moving and freeing experience for all who attended.



Lisa Janssen here with Christoph Kral. She also presented a talk about the Treasures of Heaven Ministry.

Our Regional president Rev An spoke during Saturday morning Hoon Dok Hwe explaining many deep points about the meaning of the matching and the Blessing. He also attended some of the presentations, listened to Jane Toresen's Hoon Dok session, and joined us for sharing on several occasions. His insights and warm hearted interaction with us are greatly appreciated.

Here are the two important pieces of information we discussed that may be helpful for everyone:

the marriage course

- 8 "date nights" – Dinner & dessert, DVD, practical exercises
- Couples only speak to each other - **NO GROUP WORK**
- Exercises facilitate deep and insightful conversation
- Focused on practical techniques, rooted in Christian values
- Lends itself to "natural witnessing"
- TF gave us the "bones" for our marriages, we need to "flesh it out"
- Stability of the family rests on parental unity
- Inspirational marriages will inspire the next generation to receive the blessing
- 1st Gen can benefit from building on the strengths in their relationships
- 2nd Gen build skills to face difficulties in their relationships

More Info: European point person for help to set up the course in your community:
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please contact me if you have any questions regarding 2nd gen. matching – I am happy to help you!

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