Weekly Report in Manchester

We had an opportunity to fundraise in Manchester for about one month from 17th July to 16th August, staying with Mr. Dale Rose family. We sold Russian dolls, metal pictures, Japanese origami message cards, and Japanese fans.

As a result, we could restore £1192.89 in 19 days,

At the beginning we had mixed feelings to fundraise, thinking we came to the U.K. to witness. But we realized that there must be Heavenly Parent's plan behind it and could determine to do so.



Dale-san gave us precious lectures about 21 fundamental points of fundraising. He invested us his full power and enthusiasm. We could receive a lot from him. Due to our incapability in English, he explained wholeheartedly, especially to one of our members so that she could properly translate and convey his message. At that time we realized that there is a realm of heart which goes beyond language barrier.

We visited houses, offices, and shops with our utmost jeongseong. We had some fear and anxiety but we were also confident that True Parents were always with us, and there were people Heavenly Parent prepared. Then one person bought two pictures (1 picture £5) and another man, who was negative at the beginning, eventually bought two Russian Dolls (1doll £10).

In one day we restored over £100. That was not only because we were confident that Heavenly Parent was with us but also we could go out with other 2nd gens, Simone (a brother from Italy) and Lilian (a sister in Manchester). What a joy to work with other 2nd gens! We are so much look forward to working with 2nd gens, our brothers and sisters!



We visited other families in Manchester and nice sightseeing places, which made us to learn local history as well as cultures. We had rich times to find greatness and deep heart of English people.

Experiencing Sunday Service in Manchester was very fresh and inspiring. There is no church in Manchester. Therefore members visit families and spend Sundays together. Sometimes they go out to picnic or BBQ. We felt so much love in them and an atmosphere of one big family with big smiles.

Dale-san poured so much love to us! He took us to shopping, golf, roller skates, and so on even though he had to take care of his own family. He took care of us as if we were his family. The meals his wife cooked were so delicious and we were happy both physically and heartistically. His children also gave us pure love!! Each day was filled with Heavenly excitement!



We are more than grateful to Matthew-san, our National Leader, who sent us to Manchester.

Experiences there made us determine to return more love to many more people in the U.K. We felt love through people, all things, and the places we visited. The love we experienced in Manchester will be our fundamental power. We will do our best to long for Heavenly Parent and True Parents more strongly so that we can return joy back to our beloved True Parents.

Reflections

I felt so much love from Heavenly Parent through fundraising in Manchester. Dale-san gave us Father's words every morning before we went out for fundraising, because of those I could make clear determinations.



We even made a new record. I experienced Heavenly Parent works through the Central Figure.

It was very exciting to fundraise in a different country. At each place I met people from all over the world. I felt True Mother's heart and love who wants to love everyone in the world beyond national boundaries.

When I had an anxiety; I stopped and prayed. When I started again, I met someone prepared.

I would like to do my best to connect those experiences to witnessing.

— Kaori Fukushima

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I felt Heavenly Parent and the spirit world working through my heart while I was fundraising in my mission country. No matter what kind of situation I was in, I could meet someone Heavenly Parent prepared at the end. I thought my fundraising was symbolical course of witnessing which showed me ways how to work when I am in a witnessing mission. Date-san and Galina-san, Chris-san and Sachiko-san, Malcolm-san and Fusae-san, Stuart-san and Regina-san, Brian-san and Yuriko-san, and all the families in Manchester, thank you! I felt such warm family love through you and I was so happy to feel like I was with my real family during my homestay. It was rather a short period but you saw us off until we couldn't see you. I was moved very much. I would like to try my best to offer my utmost jeongseong to return true love to the U.K. together with Heavenly Parent and True Parents.

——Aya Kuroyanagi

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The most inspired experience I had during my fundraising was that I felt true love through people. It was my first experience to fundraise, and it was in the U.K.! I worried if I could make it. To the contrary, I felt the spirit world's help and Heavenly Parent's existence who works with me. I am more than grateful to True Mother who called me to the U.K. I would like to return more love than I received to the people here.

— Norika Oari

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I fundraised in Manchester for about a month. We stayed in Dale-san's family. I received deep love from Dale-san's couple and their children. In fundraising, I felt Heavenly Parent's heart and love even in a difficult situation, for which I am deeply grateful! I received so much love from the families in Manchester.

I want to try my best to return love to the U.K. - Yoshika Iguchi

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