

Romania CARP Discusses Siblings and Friends

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On March 1, Romania CARP organized a public event at the Peace Center in Bucharest on the topic “Siblings’ Love and Friendship.”

This was the third in a series of programs about True Family Values that CARP is holding every two weeks, CARP started this series because a lot of young people are confused about the value of the family, relationships and love, which are most important for our lives.

At the most recent program we talked about siblings’ love and what we can learn from our brothers and sisters. Because not everyone has brothers or sisters, however, we also discussed how one can experience siblings’ love through friendship.



First we played a game to understand what is friendship. Each participant received a paper which was colored on one side and white on the other side. On the white side each of us wrote an external ability we have that can enable friendship—for example, “I am a good cook” or “I listen to others well.” On the colored side we wrote an internal ability we have that enables friendship—for example “I’m very honest” or “I respect differences.” Afterward we went around the room and talked to six people, trying to become friends.

First we showed only the white side of our paper, on which was written our external ability. If that wasn't enough for the other person, we showed them the colored side, on which was written our internal ability.

We all had an exciting time, talking to new people and seeing their friendship abilities. But at the same time we realized that at a first meeting we cannot see a person's internal side. We need time and effort to understand and create a deeper relationship with people.

After the game we divided into small groups to read and discuss True Father's words about siblings' love. For the 13 participants and the CARP members, it was a chance to speak honestly about our relationships and friendships. We could feel a deep connection and that we had found brothers and sisters through CARP.

We will continue our educational programs to inspire Romanian young people so we can be the hope for Heavenly Parent and True Parents.

