

1st Fundraising Condition



Midway Workshop in Schmitten



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In this first condition our STF family of five teams went to Norway and Sweden for 3 weeks from October 26th to November 15th. In the past we visited central Europe and fundraised in German and French but in Northern Europe they could all speak in English freely, so they had the opportunity to go a bit deeper and understand better how to express themselves. The teams gathered in the middle of the condition in Sweden to reflect and redetermine themselves which gave a lot of energy and inspiration to continue on and understand what their parents had all been through.

The biggest challenge was the cold and continuous rain in the North, which taught them a lot about endurance and gratitude. At the end of the period we had a 3-day challenge in which they pushed themselves to fundraise until late in order to reach a certain goal and learn to fulfil their promise to God.

These brothers and sisters are an inspiration to us all. So much can be accomplished in such a short time, we are proud of every one of them.



Fundraising Testimonies

"After a sharing I had with Auntie Seija my mood went up, I guess you could say it was a turning point for me. Also a bit later I had a fundraising run with Mari from Sweden (a STF graduate who supported us on the frontline) and I was particularly stricken by one sentence she said; "You don't have to worry about what God and the spirit world will give to you, that's not your responsibility! Just focus on your part." I knew this from before but she said it so clearly that from that moment on it became my motto every day. I just began to trust that God will display his plan for me and realise I just need to do my part. After this I really started to feel much more sincere.

Godwin Chionna, Italy

"I realized how much I like living for the sake of others; it's something really amazing to see others so happy and inspired. I also realized how much I have learnt during Hoon Dok Hae; life is very beautiful when we can appreciate the small things. I found happiness quickly when I could be grateful for everything."

In-Shil Campagne, France

"One of my best experiences was realizing how personal God is and that he doesn't love us as a whole but loves everyone individually. He gave me exactly what I needed, in exactly the right moment; when I least expected it. The amazing thing is that he gives us what we need and not always what we want."

Benjamin Gillberg, Sweden

"I realized that there really is no "special ingredient". There is no secret, in a sense, to fundraising. I just have to be me and accept and value of who I am."

Mona Scholzl, Austria

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16th to 20th November "Discover our identity as God's sons and daughters: through going deeper"

In this workshop, on the foundation of the last 2 months together, they could express much more honesty and sincerity which helped them to see where they are at clearly and share with each other.

This workshop was focused on motivation; what motivation we have and what motivation we want to have by the end of this one year program. It's always a challenge to dig deep inside and realise our motive. The lectures shared that True Parents have the ideal selfless motive and purpose for God and mankind, but we should not accuse ourselves but rather just grow moving forward step by step in that direction.

It was great that many 2nd gen gave lectures including some 5th years who gave invaluable contents and shared their own path of faith. The lecturers were: David Perry (Parents Committee), S. Choi (Euro-pean Youth Department Director), Dale Rose (STF Director), Mathias Kersting and Natania Squizzato (STF Commanders) and STF graduates; Michael Youmans (UK), Mari Isacson (Sweden) and Ewald Schenkermayr (Austria).

Our program has also been blessed to get help this next condition from Colin B. (UK) and Christopher Garand (Canada) who joined the workshop and STF to support the team leaders as elder examples. Again and again our program has faced challenges but God is always good and caring, providing where there is a need.

The members received new teams and have now just begun fundraising in Switzerland until Christmas. Please pray for their success and victory!



Midway Workshop Testimonies

"The workshop really helped me to better understand the level I am at right now internally. Somehow it pushed me to check myself a lot, to be honest as well and be aware of my growth.

It was kind of schematic, but really helpful in the sense that it led me to clarify more my motivation, which I realised after the lecture was quite selfish, because I wanted to experience God just for my own sake. So it helped me to turn my "selfish" motivation into something more for the sake of others. In this way I've understood that God can work through my motivation."

Monica Inferrera, Italy

"I need to make conditions so that I can take God's side every day. Really, it's so important to divide good and evil. I want to be a holy-temple where God can dwell, so that others can receive his love though me so this is a basis every day. I just need the conscious effort to set a purpose, central-figure, time period and offering."

Frances Redihough, UK









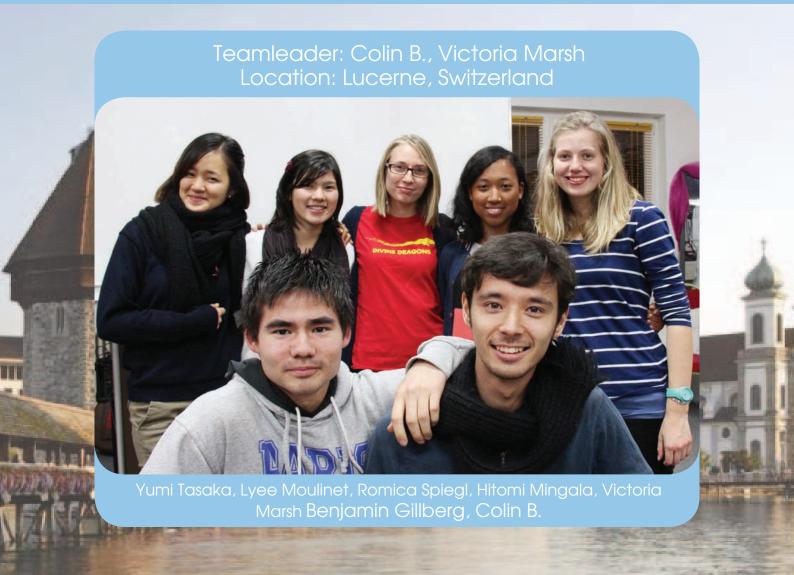








2nd Condition Fundraising Teams



Teamleader: Francesca Cirelli, Christopher Garand Location: Zurich, Switzerland



In-Shil Campagne, Nathalie Dumas, Natalie Rizzi, Francesca Cirelli Godwin Chionna, Christopher Garand

Teamleader: D. G. Location: St. Gallen, Switzerland



Rika Jones, Mona Scholzl, Frances Redihough D. G., Julian Ganz, Shigenori Suzuki Teamleader: Victor Vanalderveld Location: Neuchatel, Switzerland



Aurelie Dumas, Monica Inferrera, Suyeon Song Victor Vanalderveld, Yuri Cordelino, Seun Hyun Yang

Teamleader: Deborah Cali, Soon Hee Lall Location: Basel, Switzerland



Esther Sombambi, Tamara Priesner, SoonHee Lall, Deborah Cali, Nicole Thurner Simone Tammiso, James Claxton