

歐洲與鄰近地區華人宣道會團契

Praise and prayer items:

- We are thankful for God's Protection during our recent Children's Camp (May 1-5) -- see below for Pascale's sharing about the camp.
- Pray for other upcoming family & children outreach camps (May, June, July, August 2023)
- Pray for camp pre-preparations & post-followup.
- Pray for our "Peacemaker v. Peacefaker v. Peacebreaker" (Biblical Conflict Resolution) discipleship (online) sessions with EU churches.
- Pray for EU church-plants that continue to seek pastoral-shepherd workers (among Chinese-&-EU-language-speaking children, youth & adults).
- Pray for Dick's health (ongoing monitoring, tests, medication, etc.)

KAAN family -- SPRING NEWSLETTER 2023

Pascale's journal

"Paris - Children's Camp"





INTERCHURCH OCHILDREN'S CAMP





63 children (ages 6-10)

<u>5 days, 4 nights</u> (without parents!!) (February - April 2023)

Step #1: Pre-camp prep & prayer

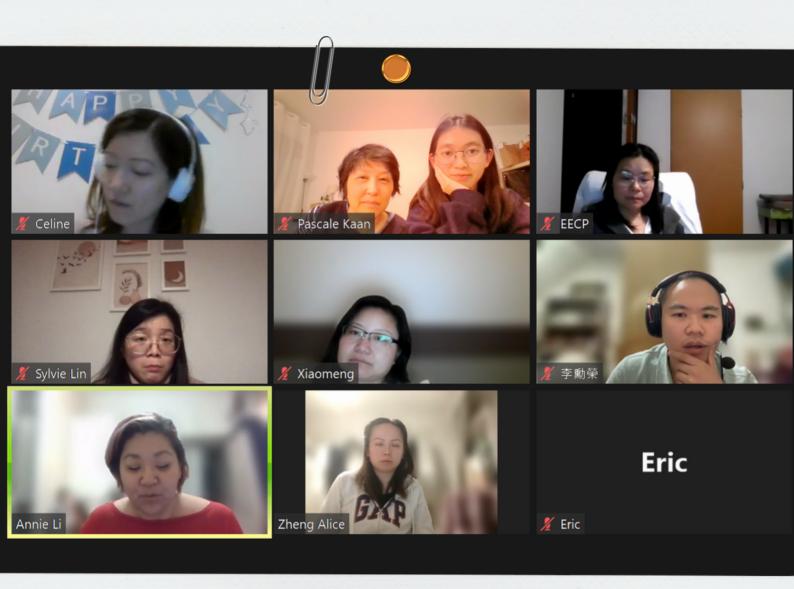


A total of 27 team members from 5 different Chinese churches in Paris



(February - April 2023)

Step #1: Pre-camp prep & prayer



Weekly zoom meetings

We had many Zoom + in-person training on how:

- to lead worship
- to teach God's Word to children
- to bring a child to Christ

(February - April 2023)
monthly Zoom meetings







5-day camp (4 nights)



MAY



Parent meetings (pre-camp) were held. Parents received a 2-week prayer leaflet in French & Chinese (to help guide parents' prayer support for the camp, while their kids were in our Camp-Team 24/7-care, for 5 days & 4 nights).

D-Day: a 3-hour trip by bus





Road trip from Paris





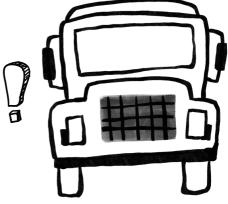




3-hour drive from Paris to Torcé-Viviers-en-Charnie



On-site campus location





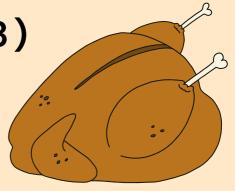
Arrival at the "Gite Clos Robin" (= lodge)

at 12:30 PM





(May 1, 2023) **Food** ?







(May 1st 2023)

Food





3 church volunteers (retired cooks) prepared meals for 90+ people (children, teachers & helpers).

(May 1st 2023)

Food





Food 2



Pastor YAU with fresh baguettes for breakfast.



Every morning, teachers and helpers took turns preparing simple breakfasts, such as cereal, bread & jam.

(May 1st 2023)





Simple ham and cucumber sandwich for lunch on the first day.





Bon Appétit ?





Every meal was so delicious that we barely had any leftovers!

Every child was encouraged to try everything -- even food they don't really like (e.g. salad, cheese, tomatoes, etc.).

No picky eaters were allowed...



Bon Appétit 🖟





Every day, different groups were assigned specific chores — setting the table, cleaning the tables, placing dishes in the dishwasher, mopping the floor, etc.





Accommodations ?







Bedtime: 9:30 PM

8:00 AM (for group exercise) or 8:30 AM Wake up:

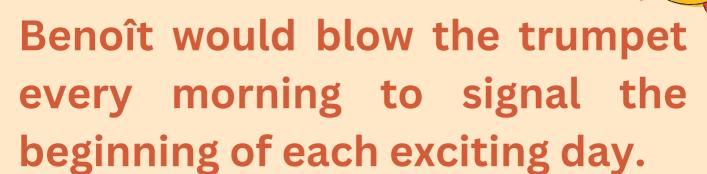
Accommodations ?



There were:

- 3 big bedrooms, accommodating
 17 children each
- 8 smaller rooms, designed to accommodate 2 to 8 children per room (with 2 to 4 adults in each room).

Accommodations ?











click on above photo to hear morning trumpet call !!



At 6:00 AM, many children would already be up -- impatiently waiting for the day to start.

However, they were only allowed to get out of bed at 8:00 AM (to allow us "old folk-gies" to get some extra sleep!!

For the early bird-risers, they could either join a morning jog group, or do cardio dance.















SPUT ON THE SEASON FULL ARMOR OF GOD





BELT OF TRUTH

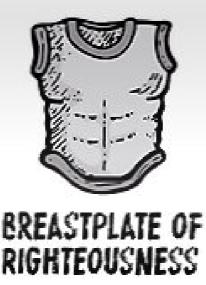


HELMET OF SALVATION



SANDALS OF THE GOSPEL OF PEACE







Armor of God - Teaching



To engage the children to **study God's Word** (the **Armor of God, Ephesians 6**) in a captivating way — we used interactive theatrical games to "transport" the kids to the enchanting realm of Medieval Times. Through **costumes**, we were immersed in **John Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress-like** adventures.



a brave knight & a swift messenger

a mad scientist that transported children back to Medieval Times



Armor of God - Teaching ?





a skilled cook

a loyal horse



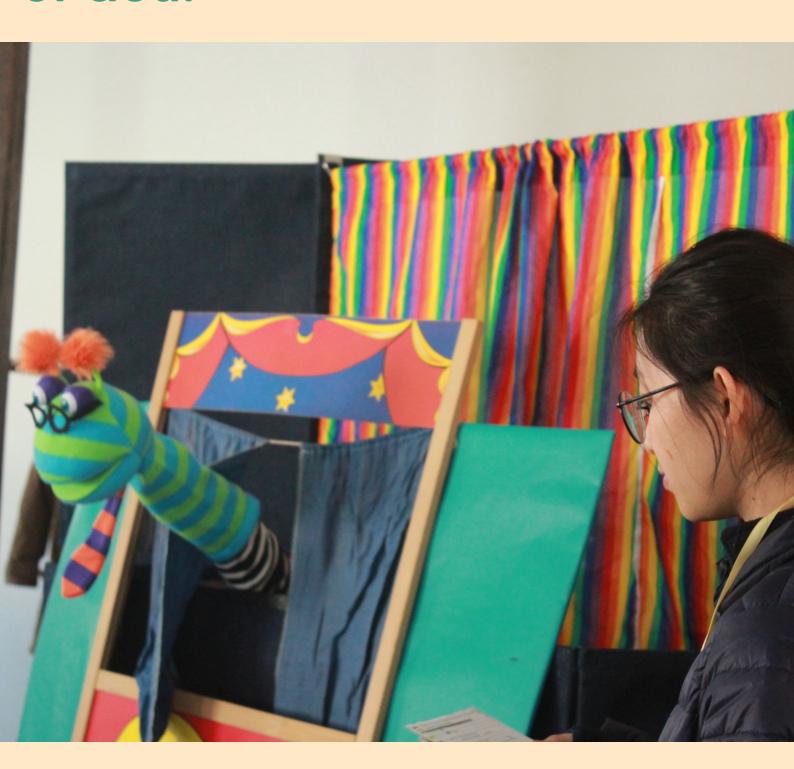
a majestic queen

Armor of God - Teaching



A mischievous enemy was defeated by the power of God's WORD + the Armor pieces of God ... on the last day of the camp.

Each day, kids learned & explored 2 pieces of the Armor of God.



Large group teaching was followed by small group discussion — to better understand and use the Armor of God to defeat Evil and temption.



Scripture teaching included -interactive activities, games, and creative exercises.





Group discussions + Activities 🤾



