

Home Gathering

A fellowship afternoon on the occasion of one member welcoming his ancestor after liberation in Cheong Pyeong

Les Ulis, France, 14. July 2014



On that 14th of July, the day of celebrating the French revolution, the official birth of the modern French nation, Claudine had the great inspiration to invite us for the ceremony of welcoming her ancestors (210 generations, plus...).

At the bottom, the French revolution celebrates the denial of lineage and saints, the rebellion against God's providence through religion. Even though the kings and Christianity did not fulfill properly their mission, this violent revolution marked a break, a halt, in God's work in that country, shaking the whole of Europe. And we have not yet recover the full communion with God; there is deep in the French psyches a scar that is express in today's politics and culture. Only with True Parents we began to be healed...

So it was meaningful that we celebrated some French good ancestors of the past on that very day. Also we had the presence of a visiting American sister, Kathleen; I think that has also meaning in many ways... Claudine offered food and drinks so generously; everything was beautifully presented and good! Many brothers and sisters of Paris region came; we had a nice sharing, laugh, talks... the time flied, and by 8 pm almost everybody was still there and nobody felt going!

But we had to, so bit by bit, we greeted each other happily and went, with thanks to Claudine and gratefulness to God and True Parents. I am sure, Claudine ancestors was really liberated and happy too!