

The IOWC's Festival in Lyon, France - Visiting the local Communists

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After the show, I accompanied about 20 Communists into their den, a cafe in Bas-Lyon. It was a sensation for the Communists; everybody surrounded me and, of course, the only way I could answer their questions was to teach them the Divine Principle. I have in my heart and in my mind the face of a young man; his eyes are intense, his manners very affable. He is so nice. He saw the festival and he eagerly asked me: "Will you be in Bid. des Brotteaux? Can I come to visit you, please?" Then, there is that other man, a Jew; he told me he is "non-violent" and believes in God. "Maybe I am not as mystical as you are. But can I come to visit you? I know you have not invited me directly but can I give you a lift back to see where you live?"

And so he took me home and I understood that many Communists are simply frustrated, disillusioned young men in search of an ideal to fulfill. I know the power of love on the hearts of men and I am confident that our festivals, manifesting as they do the heart of our Heavenly Father and His wonderful truth will inject new life into dying souls. Truly, we can proclaim to the world that today is really the Day of Hope.