

THE MODERN DISCIPLE

“Everyone will know that you are my disciples” (John 13.35)



On August 4-7, a total of 64 people came to attend the Francophone conference at the “Centre de vacances de Landersen”, located on a mountain top where there was a breath-taking view of the Haut-Rhin eastern mountains of France. Attendants came from the French speaking nations of France (Paris, Nantes, Aix-en-Provence), Belgium (Brussels), Switzerland (Geneva), Canada (Montreal). God also blessed the conference with guests from Germany, UK, and USA, which included Reiner and Brigitte Schauwienold (Germany), James Wood (UK) and Helen and Jim Rarick (USA).

The theme and title of the conference was “The Modern Disciple”. Preparation for the conference began with the direction “for the youth, by the youth” meaning the focus and prayer for this conference was for the youth to be blessed and be a blessing. The preparation in itself was truly a work of God as the youth from France, Belgium, Swiss, and Canada worked together beyond was expected and on their own initiative to reveal their desire to grow and live as disciples in this generation. God also revealed the heart of the youth who served throughout the conference.

Who is a modern disciple? God taught us through Bible messages were given by Philip Wong (Montreal), Josué Lee jr (Brussels), James Wood (London), and Jean Kim (Aix-en-Provence) based on John 8:30-59 (hold onto my teachings), Acts 9 (A choice instrument), John 13:1-3 (Love on another), and Acts 1:1-26 (you will be my witnesses), respectively. God also demonstrated His live saving grace in the testimony sharers Joseph Gnehm (Mtl), Marie-Eve Jumeau (Mtl), Nathan Wong (Mtl) and Helen Rarick (Chi).

Through the conference, the Lord encouraged his people as we saw a number of the youth actively serving in the conference. Youth who have not met Christ shared their heart’s struggle expressed their desire to grow in their relationship with the Jesus. God’s servants and people were strengthened by God’s hope for each attendant to live as a modern disciple of Jesus in our generation. “By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another” (Jn 13:35).

Pictures and video available on the conference web site: <https://parisfra.wixsite.com/cbuparis/photo>
Messages and testimony (in French) available at: <https://parisfra.wixsite.com/cbuparis/message>