

FFWPU UK: Members' Spotlight - Missionaries Go From Bolton to Switzerland

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For 21 days, missionaries from Bolton travelled to Switzerland to take part in a fundraising project to support their mission work in the UK. What began as an opportunity to raise funds became a meaningful time of challenge, personal growth and renewed faith.

Working on the streets in temperatures exceeding 35°C, they faced physical exhaustion and moments when approaching and speaking to people became increasingly difficult. Yet, through these challenges, they came to see the work as more than simply fundraising.

For Junka, each encounter became an opportunity to connect with people and share the Heavenly Parent's love.

"Fundraising was not simply about the number of people I spoke to or the amount that was collected," she reflected. "It was an opportunity to invest my heart in loving each person in that city, even if only for a short moment."



She also came to understand fundraising through the Korean concept of manmul bokgwi, meaning the "restoration of all things". Each contribution, regardless of its size, began to feel meaningful; not simply because of its monetary value, but because of the heart behind it.

Yuna similarly approached the project as an offering for the Bolton mission and True Mother. She focused on remembering why she was there and trusting the Heavenly Parent and the spiritual world accompanying her.



"There were times when I was shaken by my own emotions and thoughts, or when my body and mind became tired," she said. "But whenever I remembered that this entire process and its results were a devotion offered for Bolton and True Mother, I was able to regain my focus."

Both missionaries found that the experience revealed their own limitations while also strengthening their reliance on God. For Junka, it was when she reached the limits of her own strength that she felt she could encounter God most deeply.

"I was able to see the limits of my own strength, and, beyond those limits, I was able to encounter God."



The experience also renewed their understanding of witnessing. For Junka, restoring material things ultimately points towards the greater purpose of restoring people to God.

"I do not witness simply because I am a missionary. I witness because I am a child of God and because I have come to understand a little more of His heart."

Now back in Bolton, they hope that the experiences and devotion made in Switzerland will bear fruit through their witnessing activities. What began as 21 days of fundraising became an opportunity to grow in faith, deepen their understanding of the Heavenly Parent's heart and renew their determination to reach out to others.