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这样，你们不再作外人和客旅，是与圣徒同国，是神家里的人了。以弗所书二 19

## J R U 2 0 2 3

为了欢乐营又一年的成功举办，将荣耀和颂赞归于我们的神！我们有 25 名孩子参加了为期三天的欢乐营。在最后一天的下午，神祝福了我们额外的 12 位孩子参加。有些孩子来自我们最小的赞美班（4-5 岁），有些来自已有一段时间未参加聚会的家庭，还有一些来自福音朋友的家庭。嘉年华的中心景点是充气城堡，我们能够租到这座城堡，因为我们今年在无花果丰收后成功义卖了无花果：神家确实丰富！我们有年长的圣徒自发来到嘉年华为孩子们预备食物，和父母相调。也有高中生和年轻人管理游戏站、奖品站、食物站和充气城堡。所有的孩子都玩得很开心！一开始有三个年龄较大的孩子持怀疑态度，最后她们评论说这个营会真的很有趣！所有参与服事的弟兄姊妹虽然精疲力尽，但很喜乐看到孩子们度过了愉快的时光。他们惊讶于真的成功地举办了嘉年华；因为亲身经历所以知道，没有神的帮助和圣徒的祷告，他们不可能独自做到这一点！有高中生说，希望明年再举办一次嘉年华！

今年欢乐营的独特之处在于，我们有三组服事的弟兄姊妹，每组主要服事三天中的一天：妈妈们、在职和大专的青年人及高中生。我们难得有机会一起交通和服事！有时候这很具有挑战性，但我们认识到，这是神的计划和恩典，让我们学习用爱心互相宽容，用和平彼此联络，在事奉中学习互相扶持配搭。这也与欢乐营的主题经文完全吻合「你们不再作外人和客旅，是与圣徒同国，是神家里的人了；并且…有基督耶稣自己为房角石，各房靠祂联络得合式，渐渐成为主的圣殿。你们也靠祂同被建造，成为神藉着圣灵居住的所在。」（弗 2:19-21）

我们感谢神在整个营会准备过程中及营会三天中的不间断的供应和引领！我们为许多弟兄姊妹为欢乐营代祷，将感谢赞美献给神！（Daisy Chen）



赞美主，让我们举办又一年的儿童欢乐营！今年与其他年份略有不同。直到五月，我们还不确定欢乐营是否会举行，因为不能确定谁能组织及参与服事。但是，正是靠着神的恩典和能力，我们最终得以开始准备。尽管起步较晚，但孩子们的登记名额还是很快填满了。举办欢乐营对我们来说很重要。因为欢乐营不仅是让孩子们愉快地度过三天的时间，也是让孩子们认识教会，并邀请朋友们一起学习神的话语的机会。此外，欢乐营也是教会中的年轻人参与服事的途径。

今年，孩子们从巴拿巴和约瑟的榜样中有了很多学习。他们从巴拿巴那里学会了如何爱别人，尤其是那些难以去爱的人，甚至是我们的敌人。他们了解到，要真正爱一个人，总是需要我们把自己的利益放在一边，牺牲自己的时间、方便和舒适。他们从约瑟那里学到了如何在神那里得到真平安，这使他们能够原谅他人对他们犯下的错。最后，在第三天，孩子们了解了最伟大的爱的表现，那就是耶稣为了使我们与神和好，为我们的罪舍弃了自己，被钉死在十字架上。

值得注意的是，想要注册欢乐营的孩子很多。但是由于缺少服事的人手，我们不得不限制参加的孩子人数。我们求神兴起祂的工人，来牧养下一代的孩子们。(Eric Yan)

Praise the Lord for another year of Joy R Us! This year was a little unlike the others. Up until May, we were unsure whether Joy R Us would take place or not, as there was uncertainty around who would organize and be available to serve. But it was by the grace and power of God that we were eventually able to start preparation and have the registration spots for the children filled despite the late start. Hosting Joy R Us was important to us. Joy R Us was not only a time for the children to come and have fun, but also an opportunity for children to get to know the church and bring their friends so that they could learn about the word of God together. In addition, Joy R Us also is an avenue through which the young people in the church can experience what it means to serve others.

This year, the children learned from the examples of Barnabas and Joseph. From Barnabas, they learned how to love others, especially those who are hard to love, or even our enemies. They learned that to truly love someone always requires us to put our own interests aside, to sacrifice our time, and convenience and comfort. From Joseph, they learned about how they can find peace in God, which then enables them to forgive others' wrongdoings to them. Lastly, on the third day, the children learned about the greatest display of love in how Jesus gave Himself up and died on the cross for our sins in order to reconcile us back to God.

It is of note that there was no shortage of children that wanted to register in Joy R Us. But because of lack of serving ones, we had to limit the amount of children we took in. We pray to God for Him to raise up more people to do His work in shepherding the children of the next generation. (Eric Yan)

