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The sparks of the live of the children

A child is born for us, a God who is from all eternity within the temporal limits of our human life. He who extends beyond anything he created, agrees to be contained in his own creation. The immensity of God's love manifests itself in our "today". What Grace! But men have no place to house Mary and Joseph in their institution, it is the Earth, the inanimate creation that goes to the rescue of the Holy Family.

In his two encyclicals, "*Amoris laetitia*" (The Joy of Love) addressed to families and "*Laudato si*" (Be praised) on the respect of the earth, Pope Francis invites us, Midadians from all over the world, to welcome Jesus -Christ in our lands and in our families so that the incarnate God is visible in our daily life by our transformative actions.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Claire Saïd – President

"In that day the Virgin gives birth to the Lord,

And the land offers a cave to the Inaccessible.

The angels join the pastors to say his glory.

The magi advance under the guidance of the star:

For we are born a child, the God before the centuries. "

Song of the Byzantine Liturgy - Saint Romain the Melode - 6th century

KOREA: « Who created nuclear energy ? »

Reflection of a team of high school students:

"God created everything on earth but not nuclear energy. Nuclear power plants go against the order of Creation. That's why the pope emphasized on the danger of developing nuclear power. The Korean Catholic Church has also officially warned from the danger of nuclear energy production: it is not clean, it is expensive, it is a threat to the environment.



We shared our thoughts with children about nuclear power plants using a small comic book that contains a lot of information.

Our practice for a nuclear-free world:

- use the bikes,
- turn off the light,
- do not waste food,
- use the fan rather than the fan ... "

CHAD : thousands of Kemkogis in action in all diocesis.

In the diocese of Lai, many activities were carried out during the year such as: the Islamic-Christian forum, the animation of the missionary childhood, the celebrations of the stages, the commitment of the guides. Training of the coaches and leaders were held: The role of the coaches, the animation technique, the explanation of the year campaign etc.

During the last two years, **the diocese of Goré** gave priority to the trainings: the knowledge of the movement; the place of the companions in the movement; respect for the Rights of the Child; AIDS ; the early marriage ; the drop of scholar level

Given the situation of children in the diocese of Goré, many are not in school. That's why, in September, an 11-year-old girl from Gore was enrolled in school thanks to Kemkogi support.

Diocese of Doba: During the Christmas period the Kemkogi of Bebedja visited their locality, during which they helped a widowed old mother. They cleaned up his yard and gave some gifts: 6 cores of beans, 2 coros of corn and a sum of 3000 fcfa. The Kemkogi of Béro organized a small breeding of 12 goats and 12 sheep, with the income of their breeding they could register a child in difficult situation to the school.



In the diocese of Pala the Kemkogi decided that the Christmas party would be one of peaceful cohabitation and missionary childhood: no alcohol or tobacco, visits to families and needy people (sick, prisoners, elderly) by giving them their support (food, soap) ...

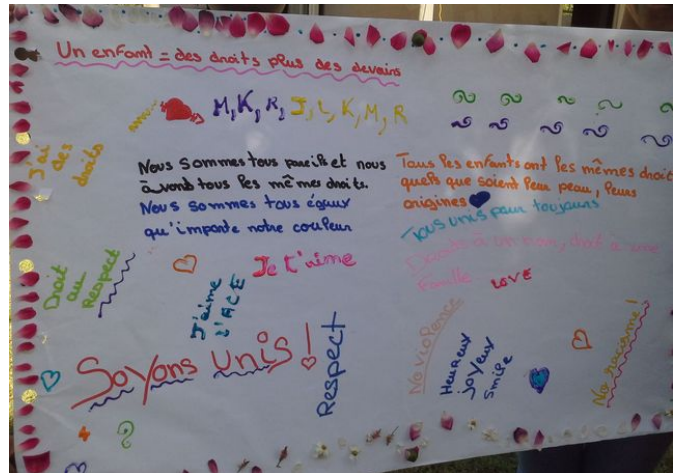
In Ndjamena, at the beginning of October, during a Thanksgiving mass, the elders of the movement handed over school supplies to poor children: a way of showing the youngest people how to lead a Christian life by doing well without expecting anything in return "

CAMEROON : Presentation of the year campaign in Maroua



GUADELOUPE : CV-AV celebrate the rights of children.

After an enthusiastic opening of the day, teams of children were formed by age groups. With the help of the smallest games, under the benevolent eye of the accompaniers, they were able to discover the rights of the child and understand the importance of the respect of these for the development of each one. The older ones brainstormed the theme and competed on a multiple choice quiz. These activities gave rise, in each group, to the realization of message-carrying panels that the children carried as an offering during the Eucharist.



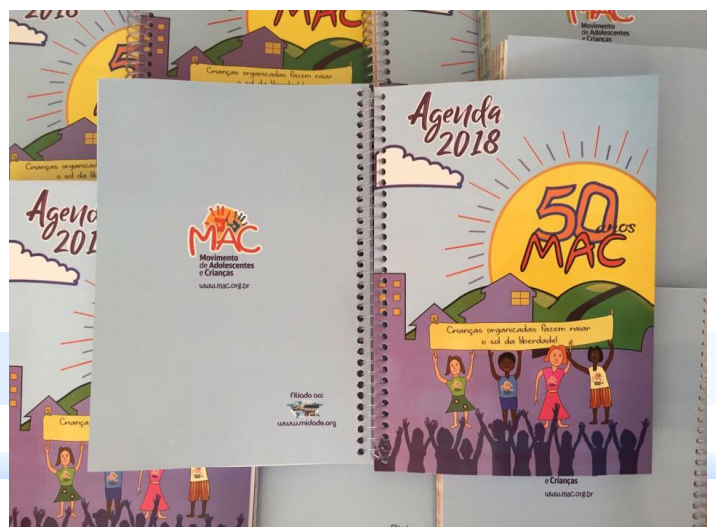
The text of the Gospel of the day, "The parable of the talents" was the occasion of a fruitful exchange during which young and old expressed themselves on what they received of essential from the Lord and recognized how urgent it was to take great care ... The afternoon was a great festive moment with the participation of adults.

CHILE : welcoming syrian children

MOANI children welcomed Syrian refugee children. They shared with them happy moments



BRAZIL : 50 years of MAC !!!



GABON : Mwana, let's together for a better world .

The 2017-2020 action plan emphasizes the participation of all in the reconstruction of society according to the values of solidarity and responsibility: *Mwana* means "child" in the Bantu language. Children have their part to build this better world ... For this, coaches will have to follow a training plan within the same period. This action plan was inaugurated by the opening of the jubilee of the movement on December 8: 70 years of CV-AV in Gabon!



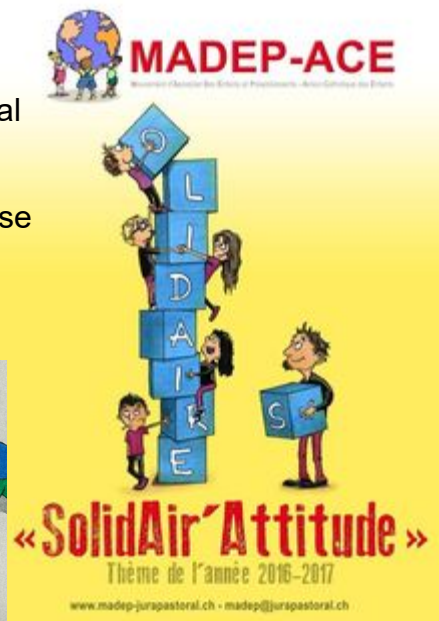
SWITZERLAND : MADEP proclaims : « Down the masks ! »

Take the SET'attitude! Solidarity - Hope - Tenderness

We declined our identities, experienced the blandness of uniformity, dreamed of being someone else to finally drop the mask and reveal our true personalities after the festivities of the procession and mask celebration! 🎭

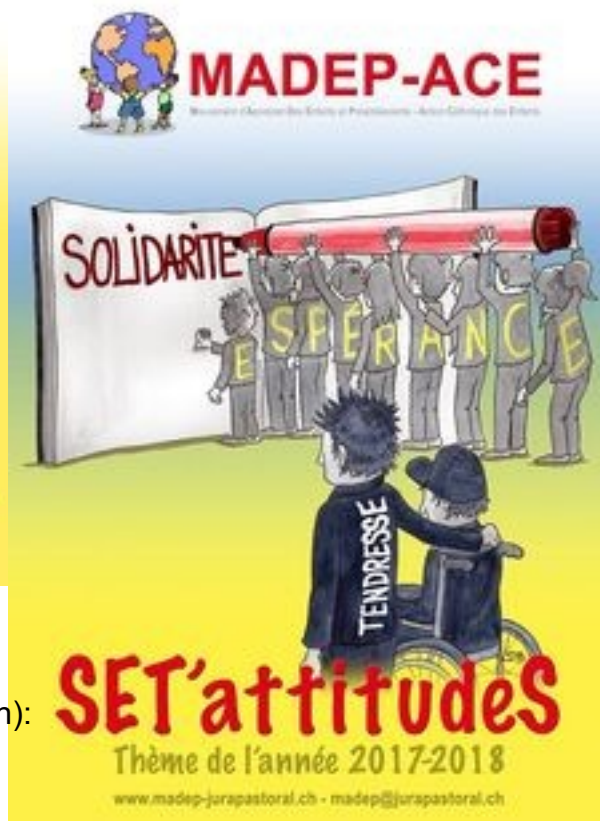
On the occasion of the anniversary of the International Convention on the Rights of the Child, MADEP published a file on the application of these rights in Switzerland and in the world:

The Children's Rights Book



Do not hesitate to consult the website (in French and English):

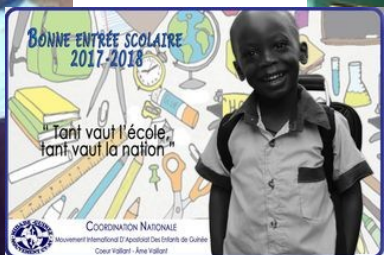
www.madep-ace.ch



GUINEA : children help children, 75 years old !

Some leaders, directors, animators and members of the Diocesan Office of Kankan met. Each companion explained the realities of his country. Then together under the direction of the Secretary General of MIDADE-GUINEA, ways and means were explored to succeed the 2017-2018 year campaign:

Children help children for 75 years and more ...



SYRIA : MIDADE celebrate 45 years



**Midade- Syria
1972 - 2017
45 years - 1 November**



**Midade-Syria
1972 - 2017
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EGYPT: MIDADE in pictures !



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FEW MESSAGES

From Brussels I thank you for sending us news of the life of the Children of the Movement. **(Nelly - Belgium)**

It is always a pleasure and a good hope to read the news of the Midade. **(Olivier - France)**

Thanks for the news through MIDADE EXPRESS. Congratulations for the quality and distribution of news. **(Prosper - Cameroon)**

Many thanks for these pages of the life of children from different Continents. **(Joceline - Mauritius)**

Thank you very much. God bless you. **(Bassam - Jordan)**

God bless your work and be with you. Joy for the transformative actions of children. **(Nermeen - Syria)**

Thank you very much for sharing the news; happy to know that we are a big family. **(Faviola - Bolivia)**

Incredibly cheerful. I say thank you! **(Agnès - Benin)**

Kemkogi children say thank you! **(David - Chad)**

*We are always waiting for news on sgmidade@gmail.com
send us your messages about important events encountered by children in your countries*

