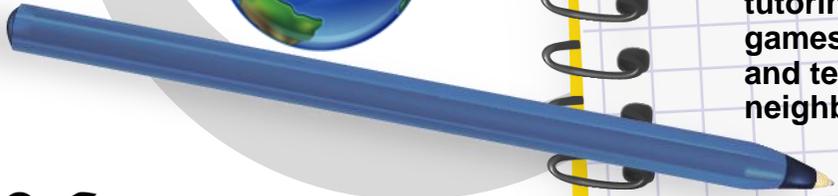


Let's live like this!

An enthusiastic and powerful experience.



14 of us young people from Europe travelled to the Dominican Republic and for three weeks we worked at the "Caffè con Leche" school. This school is one of the projects that the Teens4Unity have been supporting for the past 10 years. Working with the children who live there, we painted five classrooms, fixed and cleaned up the sports field, did some tutoring and also played games with the 200 children and teens who are in that neighborhood.

This experience was exceptionally strong for me. I felt great joy in finally being able to do something concrete to make the world a better place for everyone. Even though we were in a very poor country, I saw how much the Dominican people enjoy life!!

I have the impression that I received much more than I gave, especially at the school with all the children! We worked hard - using our muscles (to paint and build) and also being teachers!

I saw how happy the children were and we were very happy, too! We had a powerful experience of living mutual love among all of us.

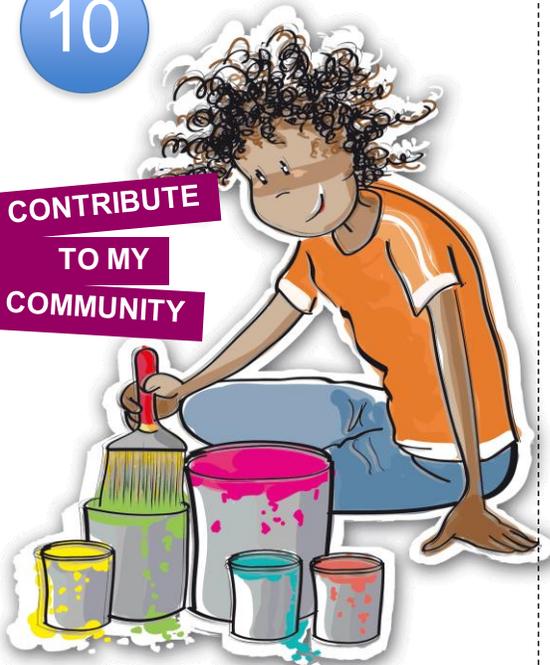
For them, we were not teachers or just visitors, but friends and older brothers and sisters. And they will always be our little brothers and sisters!!

JEAN - Switzerland



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I CONTRIBUTE TO MY COMMUNITY



«By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another» (Jn 13:35)

This sentence sounds like the final task Jesus gave us!

Yes! In fact, it's his last will and testament! Jesus wants people to recognize his followers by their love for one another.

Who are his followers?

They are ordinary people, just like everyone else, but they have a secret that identifies them. It's that they love one another!

And so if we live like them, people will know that we are his disciples?

Yes! Today, too!

But I don't always manage to live in a way that others will recognize me as someone who follows Jesus! Especially when I fight with others...

I understand, but we can't get discouraged. We can always start over again!

How?

Just like the first Christians, we too are asked to forgive each other, to see one another with new eyes every day, and to help each other. **We have to try to love others as Jesus asks us to do.**

I'll take every opportunity to help others, so that love will grow within my community.

How many people did I manage to make happy?

