

Hello my faithful ones!

I bring you greetings from many people from faraway lands. I spent the past two weeks on a campaign in western France called "Hope for the West". I worked in a team of 12 people from 7 different nationalities in a small village. I thoroughly enjoyed the intimacy of a smaller team and I



Drama Queen

really believe this was the best campaign thus far because I went into the week feeling ready and knowing that we had done our preparations before hand. I was part of the planning committee (Yay committees!) for the kids clubs despite the fact that I didn't

actually do any. I also found out 2 days before we left that I would be leading the drama workshops, which was enough time to get materials together and make a packet.

One of our projects for the week was to inform the people of the village that they



You have value!!

had value in God's eyes through fliers in their mailboxes. The region has the highest depression and suicide rate in France despite picturesque countryside and stunning chateaux so

the message was quite appropriate. It was beautiful to walk around quaint villages in search of mailboxes amongst vineyards and fields of sunflowers.

Another one of our projects was to put together an international show. Being from so many different nationalities, it was easy to find songs and dances unique to cultures. We needed an American act in our show, so they asked me, "Hey, Lisa, can you choreograph a dance to Ain't No Mountain High Enough real quick?" About an hour and a half later, after figuring out the lyrics,

I had the moves put together and was in rehearsal with my group. We performed it that night at a retirement home and they loved it! I guess I can add 'choreographer' to my résumé now.



In the couple of weeks before the campaign after classes ended, they kept me thoroughly entertained with projects. They let Saphire and me paint the interior of the house with Benjamin, our favorite summer intern, for a week. After that, I spent a whole week laminating just about everything we could lay our hands on to prepare for the kids clubs and other programs for the campaign. Now, I think I can fully entertain myself for a week cleaning my room and doing laundry to prepare to go to Germany and England for 3 weeks on Friday.

Yays!

- I'm super blessed and had an amazing birthday with celebrations lasting all month!
- A cable in the transmission of the van I was driving snapped and I was able to coast over to the shoulder.
- I've almost been here a year!

Needs:

- TeenStreet in Germany is a camp with about 4,000 people from all over Europe July 28-August 4.
- Even though I've been a camp counselor several times before, I'm a little nervous about the camp coming up because I've never done it in French. I have a group of 4 girls.
- I'm going straight from Germany to England for another week of camps with a group of French kids.

*Dans Sa paix (In His peace).*

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