



Taizé 2008

From its beginning, this community has been inspired by two aims: to live in communion with God through prayer and to be a leaven of peace and trust in the midst of the human family.

Taizé, in the south of Burgundy, France, is the home of an international, ecumenical community, founded there in 1940 by Brother Roger. The brothers are committed for their whole life to material and spiritual sharing, to celibacy, and to a great simplicity of life. Today, the community is made up of over 100 brothers, Catholics and from various Protestant backgrounds, from more than 25 nations.

At the heart of daily life in Taizé are 3 times of prayer together. The brothers live by their own work. They do not accept gifts or donations for themselves. Some of the brothers are living in small groups – “fraternities” - among the very poor. Since the late 1950s, many thousands of young adults from many countries have found their way to Taizé to take part in weekly meetings of prayer and reflection.

A typical day at Taizé

From Monday to Friday

- 8.15 am Morning prayer, then breakfast
- 10.00 am Introduction to the day with a brother of the community followed by quiet reflection or small group discussion
- 12.20 pm Midday prayer, then lunch
- 2.00 pm Optional song-practice
- 3.30 pm Practical work / international small groups
- 5.15 pm Tea
- 5.45 pm Theme workshops (Tuesday on)
- 7.00 pm Supper
- 8.30 pm Evening prayer, then vigil with songs in the church, followed by night silence

Friday: Evening prayer then prayer around the Cross.

Saturday: Evening prayer with candles to celebrate the paschal mystery.

Sunday:

- 8.45 am Breakfast
- 10.00 am Morning Eucharist
- 1.00 pm Lunch
- 7.00 pm Supper
- 8.30 pm Evening prayer

JCFL is visiting Taizé from the 11th - 19th August. Please let Peter (JCFL Team Leader) know if you would like to join us. We will travel with Nuneaton Coaches from Victoria. For more information on Taizé please visit: <http://www.taize.fr/>



Cost

Coach Travel from London Victoria to Taizé (direct) costs £98 (ages 18-24) and £118 (ages 25-30).

You will be required to make a contribution to cover the living costs of your stay at Taizé. Contributions for young people (under 30) are €5.50-€7.50 / day (i.e. £4.50—£6.00). This is to be paid on arrival at Taizé in Euros, by cheque, travellers' cheques or credit card. Please bring your own tent. If you don't have a tent please just speak to Peter. Thanks!

please write clearly in **BLOCK CAPITALS**,

Please return by 15th July to Peter Kingsley, 30 Ashley Lane, Hendon, London NW4 1HG

Name:..... Contact address/email/phone

I am aged 18—30 and would like to come with JCFL to the **Young Adults Meeting at Taizé 2008**