

Work Away at the Monastère du Gai-rire

"That's a journey out of this world into another galaxy!"

says Samuel, a workawayer, after 6 months spending here.

We arrive in this place to share, to meet beings and to grow together.

If you think that you are happy in your life, that the way the world goes has no influence on your life, what is the use of coming in a monastery?

A monastery is a place where one comes, longing to learn how to be really happy.

Some workawayers intend to work 5 hours per day, 5 days per week.

Here we don't work, in the sense we normally understand in our society.

We don't do a 5 days work and then a week-end.

We live on the monastery's lifestyle through active meditation. We don't Do, we try to Be. We stand in solidarity with each other, without seeking a return or a material objective. Times for collective activity easily succeed times for rest and reflection.

In such a way, the physical work we do (rooting, cooking, permaculture, restoration of yurts, etc.) is essentially a way to work on ourselves.

This "self work" allows us to taste life differently and gradually build a brotherhood.

It's about a free gift of Self, further than sharing services. That creates an atmosphere where we neither dominate nor are dominated, and we neither exploit, nor are exploited by others.

That's great!

It will happen thanks to you, by mutual respect, if you agree to give away any identification, beliefs, certainties and fears, and experience a gentle and engaging pace that is not of this world.

L'Aventure, c'est l'Aventure !