

Little Design Communities Rebirthing – Le Puy, France, June 2013

These 26 companions from - India, France, United States, Canada, Spain - shared <u>one</u> of the 10 day comtemplative experiences at the Centre International of St. Joseph in Le Puy, France in June, 2013. For me, it was a dream come true to be in the charming and soulful city of Le Puy, with these Spirit-filled pilgrims exploring the new commentaries on <u>The Eucharistic Letter</u> we have just recently printed in binder format. There were graced moments in the Le Puy 'first kitchen' and at the Lyon motherhouse archives where I was invited to 'touch and read' from the only copy of the Eucharistic Letter that has been found. (It was written by J.P. Medaille in 1660 and given to Sr. Marguerite Burdier.) Eleven women from our Ottawa Little Design communities participated in the experience and it was a delight to observe them soaking in the charism and being refreshed at the Source.

'Though an ocean divided us for a month', our hearts were united in prayer and communion. Sisters, thank



you for your gift words and generous enclosure upon my departure. I purchased this champagne coloured lace shawl - my Marguerite mantle - which I will treasure and wear on special occasions. For Evelyn and our Upper Room Home of Prayer, I found this original art work that speaks to us of the 'Rebirthing of Little Design.' It was done by a Le Puy photographer and a Chinese artist who painted over his photo to create a new and mystical 'seeing' of what lies within the old form. This is the famous Rocher Saint Michel du Puy en Velay transformed ... the volcanic rock comes alive



with new vigour and colour! Thanks for the memories and gratitude to the Centre staff – Gracy, Line and Kate - who made us feel 'at home' away from home. Let the vision live free!

To read more about our time together, click on the link to our CHAT FORUM and view pictures and stories: http://www.theupperroomhomeofprayer.org/index.php?option=com_kunena&view=category&catid=9&Itemid=99