

## On the occasion of the General Meeting of May 17, 2025 FROM PATRICK TRUFFAUT TO JEAN-PIERRE PIERSON

Dear Jean-Pierre, dear friend,

You were by my side in serving our association for 17 years (from 2006 to 2022). We were both very motivated, given the presence of our young sons in the cemetery.

As a reminder, in November 2006, the first general assembly elected a board of directors of twelve people (seven from the chapel area and five from other departments). This board met on February 9th, and its members divided up the work done on various tasks.

You and I were the Dupon brothers: I, Dupond (files), you, Dupont (construction). It was necessary for the local community to know about us and help us financially.

I published three articles in the diocesan newsletter; its subscribers learned what we were doing, but there aren't many of them around Mézidon. You did better before me.

A former lighting technician for French radio station 3, you got them to mention our association's work at the chapel three times on the evening news.

I won't go into detail about the fourteen projects completed: eight on the exterior walls, six on the interior and six on the furniture.

You participated in them yourself and helped the volunteers.

You welcomed and trained local businesses recommended by the General Council.

The main work was carried out between 2008 and 2018 = €79,000, 48% funded by grants and 52% by the association's members.

I haven't forgotten the hundred or so religious, musical, and other events held in the chapel, where you installed the electricity and lighting each time.

May 1st was Labor Day, your celebration!

Our new president, Henri-Jean Lepetit, has appointed me honorary president, as is customary in associations.

Today, I ask the Board of Directors to appoint you honorary vice-president.

You have been the invaluable project manager of all our work, often with tools in hand!

Without you, the association would not have been able to successfully complete the restoration of the building and furnishings.

Thank you, Jean-Pierre, for your loyalty and friendship...

Patrick Truffaut