

our family and discretion is important. On the other hand, we can share on what concerns families in Seychelles in general.

I would be very interested if you could send me your reflections, either through your parishes, by mail or Whatsapp.

From this exchange, we will have the possibility to continue our discernment as a family. I will propose other ways to deepen our reflection and thus strengthen our own family and every family in Seychelles by taking pti lepa. This is so important because the family is really the very basis of society. By the power of Jesus, let us move forward with pti lepa, as a family, with perseverance.



Videos about 'Family tortoise' are available on :

Facebook : pti lepa

Youtube : pti lepa

You can send me your thoughts on

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Have a good trip with pti lepa, pti lepa.

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+ **Alain Harel**



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Episode 2





I hope that your family was interested by the 'Family Tortoise' parable.

In a parable there are no good or bad answers/reactions. It is not a question of being moralising. The aim of the parable is to help us think, perhaps even let ourselves be jostled!

The parable 'Family tortoise' is also an invitation to question ourselves and place ourselves in the story so as to better reflect and discover what we are living within our families in Seychelles as well as our own family. Through our awareness we will be encouraged as a family, but also between families, to take en pti lepa forward.

From this parable, I think that we can ask ourselves several questions. Indeed,

we support our family and it is not always easy, sometimes it is even a challenge. Furthermore, our family supports us and it is our source of joy and security. Let us take time personally and as a family to continue our reflection:

1. What are the difficulties we are experiencing in our families in Seychelles and also in our own family?

2. How do families in Seychelles and our own family, like the tortoise's shell, protect and secure us?

3. In the parable we note that people 'scratch' the tortoise's shell. Do we have any examples where families in Seychelles or our own family are disrupted by external factors?



Beloved family, I therefore invite you to reflect upon these questions and also others that this parable arouses. If the health conditions permit, I invite you to get together with other families within the district / parish for a time of sharing. Evidently we cannot share everything on