

CARP Las Vegas held the End-of-the Semester 7 Day Divine Principle Workshop

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CARP Las Vegas held the End-of-the Semester 7 Day Divine Principle Workshop from May 15th to 22nd at Cheon Hwa Gun, filled with True Parents' heart and energy. The End-of-the-Semester workshops give the guests opportunities to study the entire Principle and be introduced to the life course of True Parents, encouraging them to pursue Principle-centered life style. It was the fifth end-of-the-semester DP workshop since CARP LV started.

"Find the Purpose, Change Your Life" was the theme of the workshop. Lectures from Dr. Michael Hentrich were filled with spiritual power, and spoke strongly to the original mind of all participants. Among the 1st Generation participants included 3 new guests who attended the 7-day workshop for the first time and 2 'returning' guests. 6 members from Generation Peace Academy as well as 2 2nd Generation young adults flew in to rediscover DP. CARP Las Vegas core members took loving yet powerful leadership roles in caring for a wide range of the guests. They also organized activities that were fun, but also serious and deeply thought-provoking which helped them to reflect deeply about their lives.



The main objective of this 7-day workshop was to educate these participants about the time we were living in now - that we stood in the position to attend True Parents. After the lectures on the course of Jesus, a special activity was organized to challenge participants physically and mentally, giving them an opportunity to taste a heart and position as a Messianic figure. On a following day, they received True Parents' course at International Peace Education Center (IPEC). Also, they received guidance on prayer and reflection activity inside the True Parents' residence where True Parents used to hold HDH. One of new guests, Jonathan Daza who were spiritually sensitive, shared how he saw pink aura flashing from everything in True Parents' room, and how the pink aura was filled with energy of love.

At the end of the 7 days, all participants shared how God was guiding them to be at the workshop, and how they almost felt transformed during the workshop. Currently, 1 new guest and 2 returning guests have started the Summer 40-Day training with the existing CARP members, and together they are all preparing to attend True Parents in New York as the conclusion of the 40-day, across the country pilgrimage and training.



1st Gen Testimony

1. L. Sagadraca (new guest)

I used to not have a relationship with God that was strong. I only come to god when I was all time low and blamed him for my misfortune and now I did a complete 180 viewpoint. I'm more open to God and so grateful for everything. I understand God's heart through the divine principle and how my brothers/sisters showed love proved the principle is working. I had to be open mind and it was a strange.



After experiencing this workshop, I wanted to be truly happy. I want to be a father that my son or daughter will look at as being kind hearted, selfless and loving. I want to love my wife like she is my other half. I want God to be in me, so he can experience the joy I feel every day. I need to be open

mindful, hold back my impulses, surround myself with people who do not negatively impact me. Remember I am loved and listen to my original mind.

2. M. O. Fuller (returning guest)

I see life as something meant to be experienced and shared with God. It is meant to be absolute happiness as we achieve the blessings and live for the sake of others. The reflection and lectures shaped my view and action. I found happiness in serving others and I seek the eternal joy of a family. I now understand that in order to restore humanity, we need True Parents to show us the way, away from fallen state and towards the ideal. Only True Parents have the authority to free us from original sin. After this workshop, I want to be someone who can follow God's will in obedience. To have an unchanging conviction to grow and do right from God's perspective. I need to overcome my tendency to interpret things however is most useful and easy for me. I must become someone who can and wants to act by seeing from God's perspective.



2nd Gen Testimony

1. R. Lee

I am wonderful and filled with so much positive energy I can change for the better. I was able to finally let go of the things that have been dragging me down in life and found a reason to be happy. Many of the walls I've built were broken down. Throughout this workshop I realized that I became quicker than I usually do because of the desire I have to reach out to people and to God.

To me the concept of God is he experiences everything with us and no matter how much we may run away from Him. He is always waiting for us to return. Even though he has experienced so much sorrow already from the Fall he still believes in us. I especially felt this through the give and receive hug activity, thinking about how much pain each person must have gone through and what I made God go through and it made me realize that I have to change and return to Him.

After the workshop, I have a greater desire in wanting to bring joy. Someone's life not just thinking how I am feeling but how others are feeling as well.