Generation Peace Academy: Community, Commitment, and Connection - 3 C's to Cheon II Guk

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Pictured above: Not just the alphabet, but the different God languages (read more in CIG - Bay Area)

ALL INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS (\$70) END <u>MARCH 15!</u> U.S. EARLY BIRD APPLICATIONS (\$0) END <u>MARCH 31!</u>

If you or someone you know is interested to apply, go to generationpeaceacademy.org/apply.



GPA Website

Read on to see what the programs have been up to! And what one day you or your child could be a part of.

First Years & Captains

First years and captains wrap up their final week in their communities and are heading back to Texas to reunite with everyone, reflect on the last six weeks, and participate in this next workshop themed: Blooming Hyobaragi.

Some teams participated in a social media contest to create content and show off what's happening in their communities! Make sure you're following the social media pages to see them as they're posted. Here's a sneak peek:





Cheon Il Guk Missionaries

DMV

Another week passed and here's a recap of what the CIG DMV team has been up to!

On Monday the team received a visit from one of the CIG Staff, Hiro! They did goal-settings and created organized action steps for their guests.

The team continued witnessing throughout the week and investing into their guests. There were many events the team helped out with, including: Theology Discussion Night, Couples Night, CARP Momentum, and Open Mic Night.

They're investing a lot in both inreach and outreach and are looking forward to future plans for the community.



Indiana

This week in Indiana has been packed with many activities!

On Tuesday, there was a Japanese Culture Night where everyone learned to make sushi with the manager of the Ocean World restaurant in Indiana. A total of 13 guests came, 2 of those guests were invited by the CIG missionaries.

This week was full of community bonding, and full of so much love. There was a youth night on Saturday with all the members and guests. Everyone was able to connect together really well and had a lot of fun playing different games and creating an environment full of God's Love. Overall 10/10 week!



Bay Area

This past week was filled with meaningful experiences and community gatherings.

On Monday, the group focused on witnessing instead of fundraising for a few different reasons, including a commitment ceremony! It was a beautiful moment to witness and be part of.

Wednesday's club meeting centered on the topic of God languages. Participants received a questionnaire with 40 questions designed to help them understand how they best relate to and feel God's presence. After tallying their results, it was fascinating to see the unique ways in which God speaks to each individual. The group was also excited to welcome three new guests.

The usual Friday and Saturday events were paused as many attended the Cheonbo Great Works. A special highlight of the weekend was Ryuichi Kishimoto Stevens, who led chanyang, delivered insightful lectures, and shared a powerful testimony on Sunday—both during service and in a dedicated session for young adults.

It was a week filled with inspiration and reflection.



Chicago

After the leadership summit in NYC, the pastors of Chicago came back with a new vigor in their hearts. Determined to support the campaigns

conducted in America, Reverend Takami was focused on trying out as many things as possible in order to revitalize the spirit of the community, and the CIG missionaries were more than willing to support.

On Friday night, the Chicago Family Church hosted a unique dinner program, where they taste a little bit of Japanese culture before entering into the main Peace Starts With Me talk. The participants enjoyed a variety of Japanese food provided by the Kodan mothers, and they also had a small origami lesson taught by Nana. This time they were also very direct with who they are as a movement, immediately introducing guests to Mother and how she is the Only CIG Begotten Daughter. One guest, brought by Ryuji, signed membership after receiving the new content organized by Reverend Takami.

The team also supported LEAP, Chicago's youth group, helping organize a NERF gun game night at the church. They attended a Christian concert as a new witnessing effort, bringing guests along to expand outreach beyond church-hosted events. Reverend Takami's "Try anything and everything" mindset is in full effect!





Heavenly USA

Little Rock

The week began with organizing a board game night and external fundraising, where both teams met new contacts and hit their goals. Choir practices continued each evening as they worked to establish a choir before leaving. They also invited guests to practice through campus witnessing and helped host a Principles of Peace seminar. With their final week in Little Rock approaching, they're preparing to wrap up their time in the City of Roses.



Dallas

The Dallas team had a busy week collaborating with GPA, participating in witnessing, ACLC praise support, and even spring cleaning the church. They made efforts to connect with the community, including bonding with the church choir director, Uncle Herman, who was deeply moved by their desire to invite the Holy Spirit into practice.

Although time constraints made building connections challenging, they hosted a board game night with two new members—one even joined their nightly church prayer condition. The week ended with two milestones: Lanyoung gave her first lecture at a Peace Seminar, and Reina shared her testimony at Sunday Service. Despite challenges, the team felt God's guidance throughout.

Stay tuned for more updates! 🕄

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