

American CIG family in Costa Rica: The First New Member - Many More to Come!!

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¡Hola! It's your American CIG family in Costa Rica! It has been an incredibly busy week as we prepared, organized, and held our first American culture event in Costa Rica! We were also able to achieve victory when we were able to invite and bring one of our witnessing contacts to a 1-Day Divine Principle Workshop and become our first guest to become an official CARP member! They were both the first of many more to come, more events and many more young and inspired youth wanting to make a change!



Performing our dance for our Guests at the Melting Pot event!!

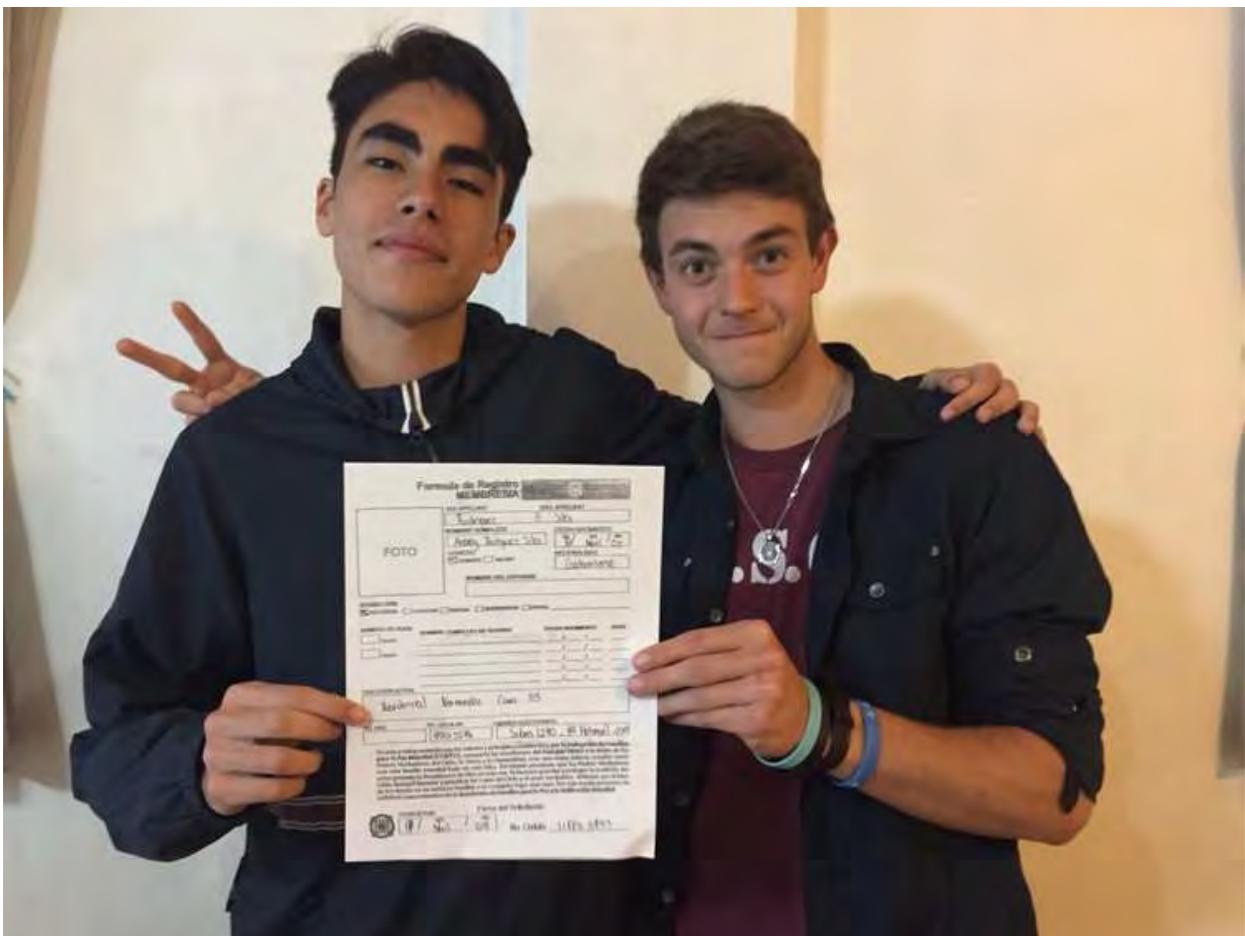
FINALLY we had our first American culture event on Friday February 16, 2018! For some it may be difficult to determine exactly what the American culture is, so our hope was to help others recognize and understand that the United States is a unique country of all cultures and nations of the world coming together. This is the beauty of America, so our theme for the event was "The Melting Pot". By knowing

that America is a country that transcends race and nationality, we can help others understand that we are one global family.



Each person shared about their experience and gratitude toward the event that we held!

We kicked off our event first off with some introductions! We introduced ourselves and the different parts of America that we came from followed by some games and activities for us all to get to know each other a little better. After opening up the hearts of the participants and having a good time with the activities we began to shift to the more internal aspects of the event.



Here is the first new CARP member (on the right) of many more to come with the missionary that invited Him (G. Marchitelli)

We shared about the founding of America. Not just how it was externally founded but also the heart, attitude and values that America was founded with. We shared about the selflessness of the pilgrims that had first arrived and their dedication to God and to the establish a good future for their new home. We shared about the vision that America had first began with and the original beauty that burned within our Country.

For Lunch we prepared a home cooked meal for all of the participants of our event and then afterwards performed a dance for them choreographed by our very own missionary T. Minosoko. After the dance we split in to little groups which we called our families and had a few more activities together followed by a discussion centered on several quotes about the importance and value of family from different famous figures of history.

Afterwards we took time to introduce CARP and the vision of establishing one worldwide family under God and our Costa Rican community service group called Heroes. To conclude the event we all came together to enjoy some root beer floats and each guest shared about what had impacted them the most about the event and what new things they may have learned. Many people shared their gratitude and were moved to hear about how America had truly began. Selfless and with God.

On Saturday February 17 - 18, CARP Costa Rica hosted its second 1-Day Divine Principle Workshop in the month of February. We covered from the Introduction up to the end of the Fall of Man. At the end of the workshop we offered a song to the guests and then gave them the opportunity to sign up to become official members of CARP. In Concluding the Workshop we had two new official members of our CARP Costa Rica Family, One being brought by our very own American Missionary team!



Our American Melting Pot event!! the first of many more to come :)