

USA Cheon Il Guk Missionaries: Paraguay Overseas Update!!!

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The second full day was full of surprises and getting out of comfort zone. We did something all missionaries are known for, witnessing.

While we did a bit of witnessing during pioneering a week ago, it didn't quite prepare us for what was in store today. As Rosanna Miller, a 2nd year captain said, "It was a good day, considering we didn't really have a foundation for witnessing."

Today, on three separate teams, we went to the Colegio Nacional de E.M.D, an education center that hosted middle School and high school students.

We were tasked with educating the students on the importance of Pure Love and saving yourself for marriage. We decided to communicate this message with ice breakers and skits.

And the result: Just about a universally positive experience for everyone involved. As Tamae Seto mentioned, "It was eye-opening."

GPA and CARP Paraguay became closer as we worked together and found common ground through dance offs and games. Even though we had a language barrier, the language of love is truly beyond words. "The kids here made it seem like home, they were that welcoming," said Yuji Torijai, a first year participant.

The next day we visited schools again, and afterwards we tagged along with CARP to go witnessing in the park. I was amazed with how receptive the people of Asuncion were. Each person took the time to listen and answered the questionnaire. It's much more relaxed here than in America.

We finished both nights with testimonies from the leaders of Paraguay, giving us their life testimonies. It hit us that these testimonies show our foundation we stand on. Really, 1st Gen testimonies are something of legends, and made me feel a whole new appreciation for our parents