## Cheon II Guk Youth Missionary USA in the Dominican Republic December 2022

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Hola! This past month has been packed with love, joy, and surprises here in Dominican Republic!

While giving Divine Principle lectures to many guests at the center, we've also been bonding with them through origami, making tres leches cake, having music jam sessions, and more! We even had guests inviting their friends and family because they felt so drawn to the culture and wanted to share that with people close to them.



We volunteered at a children's hospital by giving food and goodie bags with necessary nutrients to

patients. We also joined a CheonBo event in Santo Domingo and offered a song and hear guidance on prayer. We continued our fundraising with keychains and foodraising, with some guests joining us to support our fundraising!



During one fundraising run, we actually met with a school principal, conveyed our message of "One Family Under God" as volunteer missionaries, and were granted the opportunity to share about our work and fundraiser to the students in the classrooms! We were welcomed warmly by the young boys and girls and were sent off with hugs, heart signs, and waves.

Our last event was to celebrate Navidad (Christmas) and we heard words on the true meaning of Christmas, along with food and games. We also participated in a National Sunday Service to hear from the national leader on Vision 2027 and upcoming events for 2023.

As we conclude 2022, we have been focusing on building stronger unity and family relationships through hearing testimonies and visiting beautiful sites of Dominican Republic!