

YAYAM USA December Newsletter

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PROVIDENTIAL SPOTLIGHT



Mother in Cambodia

Recently, Mother held Peace Conferences & Blessing Ceremonies in Cambodia. She was welcomed by the Prime Minister as well as dignitaries and governmental leaders from all over the Asia Pacific region. During the ceremonies she gave them the name of "Heavenly Cambodia" as a result of their unity with our True Parents. True Mother continues her 40 day world tour and has asked everyone around the world to offer conditions at this time in preparation for the Dec. 28th World Clergy Leadership Launch. We're praying for you True Mother!

OCTOBER SUB REGIONAL HIGHLIGHTS



Sub Region 1: Northeast

The Northeast region has been putting a lot of energy and love into supporting the launch of Young Clergy Leadership Conference (YCLC) for this December. Both New Jersey and New York young adults have been visiting churches and creating a young clergy network through different service projects and activities. "I am always so surprised how outgoing and energized the young Christian pastors are, they are so excited to be working together and really creating a better peaceful world," said one young adult Unificationist after a meeting with a few pastors.

Sub Region 2: Southeast

The Revival DC Benefit Concert with the theme of "Bridging the American Divide" was held in Washington DC on November 16th. Young adults in our subregion, together with the support of SR2 staff, worked hard to create an interfaith event for youth and young adults with a broad participation of different churches and other organizations in the program. This event was an opportunity for our young people to get involved in outreach and visit churches. Many were transformed through their experiences and we will continue to build on this foundation as we approach December 28th.



Sub Region 3: Midwest

The Indianapolis church center hosted the 5th Annual Interstate Thanksgiving Gathering, inviting this year all SR3 high school kids and young adults to join! Josue Kisile from Michigan shared a talk about the importance of True Mother's upcoming December rally and also the value of a relationship with True Parents. Later, they prepared a delicious potluck style Friendsgiving meal followed by the traditional by-community Minute-to-Win-It competition! There was also time for people to play board games and simply hang out together.

Sub Region 4: Southwest

The Oklahoma Family Church hosted a public service event on Nov. 23rd. Second gen members Guinyu Ngoran and Eric White organized and lead community volunteers comprised of friends and coworkers in cleaning the battered women and children's shelter in Norman, Oklahoma. Volunteers were able to clean living areas, bedrooms, bathrooms and cooking areas of the shelter. Run by the Women's Resource Center, this shelter provides temporary housing for victims of domestic violence and houses over 1000 victims a year, and supports over 4000 people annually. This event was used to share the Peace Starts With Me message to the community and volunteers. The volunteers were all invited to a local watch party for the December rally in New Jersey. By doing service projects, our community hopes to create a good witnessing environment.



Sub Region 5: West

On November 22nd, CARP Bay Area hosted their 2nd "Peace Starts With Me" Campus Event at Chabot College with students and faculty from campus and members of the local Bay Area Family Church. Around 80 people total attended! Guest speaker, Dr. Mose Durst, shared an impactful message on "Education Empowering Peacemakers." CARP student leader Erika Gordon also highlighted CARP's perspective of complementing our academic education with the education of heart and character. The evening was also filled with student club performances, food, discussions, remarks from Chabot students and faculty, and raffle prizes.

NATIONAL YAYAM CORNER

YAYAM Team

This month we've been preparing everything you need to be well-rehearsed for our upcoming performance at the Dec. 28th rally! We're offering a BRAND NEW dance choreographed by Bedelina Miller to the classic "Tongil." We're so proud to be able to perform something that represents our young people in such a significant way. Get up to date here, and enter the Tongil contest too!:

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Children's Ministry

In celebration of True Children's Day and in support of the upcoming World Clergy Leadership Conference in December, Children's Ministry hosted local Peace Starts With Me Children's Festivals in the first week of November. Dallas, Washington D.C., Omaha, Mobile, Belvedere and New York City, Bridgeport, Los Angeles, and Minneapolis all participated!

Read more about the festivals [here!](#)

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Youth Ministry

November's theme was "Engage & Grow with my Faith Community". New Jersey's Clifton youth ministry (God's Own a.k.a GO), welcomed their new pastor couple, Pastor Crescentia and Leighton DeGoede. The youth joined a song session, which was led by Leighton, and brought the energy of the room high up! The atmosphere was well prepared for the youths to open up their hearts in learning who Pastor Crescentia is, in the form of a talk show. The youth also got the chance to write down their questions directed towards the pastor, and she answered them. This gave youths the chance to connect with their pastor on a personal level. At the end, youth ministry presented the pastor couple with a gift and a card signed by everyone.

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Campus Ministry

From November 8 to 9th, around 20 CARP members from 10 chapters joined the 12th annual Love and Fidelity Network Conference, Sexuality, Integrity, and the University, at Princeton University in New Jersey. The purpose of the conference was to help students articulate the reasons for sexual integrity, marriage, and family using research-based arguments. It was also an opportunity for like-minded students to interact and network with professionals and with each other. Roughly 100 students, primarily from Ivy League schools and representing different Christian denominations, came to attend the conference. This year, CARP hosted a table sharing about our values and inviting them to the Dec 28th rally.

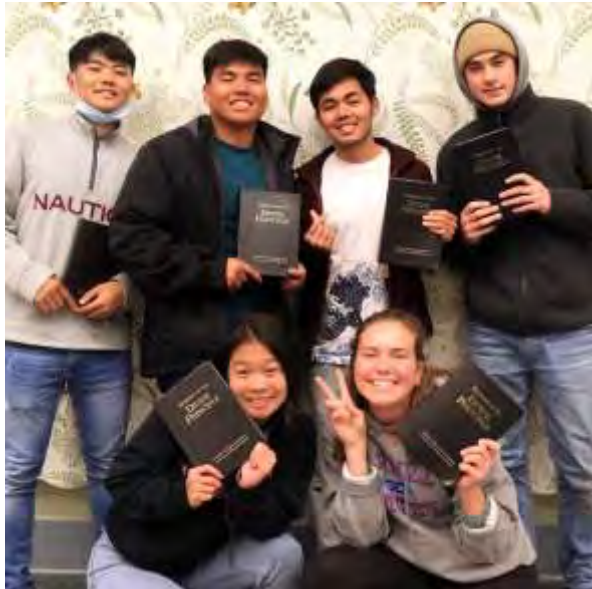
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Generation Peace Academy

This month GPA transitioned from 2nd condition to Winter Competition with a workshop in Arkansas. The theme of the workshop and this competition is to "Strengthen My Relationship with God through True Parents." With DP guidance, participant lecture practices, and testimonies, members were able to inherit a deeper foundation of our values and principles. This winter competition will test and help create the substantial understanding.

[Learn More about GPA](#)



Young Adult Ministry

The Young Adult Ministry has been working tirelessly with the upcoming launch of the Young Clergy Leadership Conference! We have been visiting churches, connecting to young pastors, and inviting them to the Dec. 28th launch of YCLC at the Robert Treat Hotel. Go to www.yclc.info for more information on the mission of YCLC.

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HAPPENINGS

Upcoming Events

Young Adult Opportunities in December

- Young Tribe 3-Day Weekend - **Registration Deadline Sunday, Dec. 15th**
- Young Tribe 7- Day Week: Inheriting True Parents' Heart for Christianity - **Registration Deadline Sunday, Dec. 15th**
- Young Clergy Leadership Conference (YCLC) Launch on Dec. 28th
- Watch Parties around the country on Dec. 28th





Youth Opportunities in December

- "Evolve" - Northeastern Youth Winter Workshop for SR1 & SR3 - **Registration Deadline Friday, Dec. 20**
- "I Know My Roots" - Youth Winter Workshop for SR2
- Watch Parties around the country on Dec. 28th

Other Opportunities

- Honduras Peace Park service project - December 29 to January 11
- "Get Grounded" Young Adult Workshop - a 7-day DP-based workshop - January 9 to January 15 - **Normal registration deadline Dec. 10th, Late registration Dec. 23rd**

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