

FFWPU USA Next Gen Mission: We Out Here, In Communities

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Pictured above: Junior and senior class missionaries attending a Peace Starts with Me seminar in Indiana.

Welcome to another Next Gen Mission newsletter.

If you haven’t heard by now, *Generation Peace Academy* has been renamed to *Next Gen Mission*. This name change is targeted to move forward the renewed vision for the young people in the Unification community– to grow into happy, healthy, and public-minded individuals who want to contribute to a greater, higher purpose aligned with our Heavenly Parent and our Holy Mother Han.

Junior Class

The Michigan workshop concluded on September 10th, where during this time, the missionaries reflected on their experiences from the nine-day *Actionizing* period and received content to deepen their understanding of the purpose of *Next Gen Mission*. In addition, they learned how to take greater ownership of their life of faith and enjoyed each other's company through a fun activity—paintball!

Now, they've been assigned to 9 different communities: California, D.C., Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Minnesota, New Jersey, New York, and Texas. They will be in these communities for the next two months, supporting them by sharing their spirit and youthful energy. This is also where they will grow in their hearts of serving, deepening their connection with God, and be a part of something greater than themselves.

This is the start of **Mission One**.



Senior Class

Written by Rosemary Bardales

The Senior Class parted from the Junior Class on the 8th after completing the *Actionizing* period with the rest of the program. The next day, these missionaries began their witnessing bootcamp at the Indianapolis Family Church, joined by the HTG missionaries stationed there. The purpose of this bootcamp was to prepare their hearts, spirits, and minds to receive their mission, community and team.

Throughout the week, the seniors explored various witnessing approaches, including house-to-house outreach, campus outreach, a community cookout, a car wash and café event. *A Peace Starts With*

Me seminar was organized as well, which featured lectures by Nana Takami, Patrick Kargbo, and Kwansung Carrera.

During community events, the Senior Class was able to reconnect with some of the Junior Class that were stationed at the Indiana Family Church. Some Junior Class participants had the chance to learn how to make café drinks and help out in the Blessed Bean Café.

On a daily schedule, the day began with readings on the importance of heart and creativity in witnessing, followed up by guidance sessions. In the afternoons, the missionaries practiced new witnessing approaches, and ended the day by listening to testimonies from elders, youth, and new community members about their own witnessing journeys.



The week concluded on Sunday with both classes attending service together. During the service, they listened to a sermon given by Pastor Robert, with the Junior Class officially being introduced to the community, and the Seniors offering the song *We Are the World*.

With the Bootcamp coming to a conclusion, the Senior Class will now be sent in various teams to the emerging strategic communities: Alaska, Indiana, Colorado, Las Vegas, and Boston. Each community has sent a proposal for these missionaries to take their community to the next step.

Please pray for the continued support of these brothers and sisters as they continue their mission in their respective communities.

This has been the Next Gen Mission newsletter.
Thanks so much for reading.



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