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Mission Weekly Newsletter

	Senior Class Missionaries	
This past week was a very busy and productive week for the senior class.		
On Monday, they joined the Indiana Family Church’s annual Memorial Day picnic at a local park. They had a fun time connecting with the community through team games and friendly competition throughout the afternoon.		
From Tuesday to Friday, the seniors invested in their passion projects. Each project is specific to a certain area of the property, to renovate, transform, and prepare the campus to be fully used and enjoyed by the current and future generations.		
The Main Lodge team hopes to redesign the hall into a space that inspires future generations to give, receive, and multiply Heavenly Parents’ love. The Pavilion team plans to create a space for people to enhance their God-given creativity, and the Trail team hopes to allow a space for people to connect to God through nature.		
On Saturday, the seniors traveled to Indiana Family Church to help babysit as the Midwest Pastors convened for a Midwest Leaders assembly. Later that day, they supported the carwash cafe and ended the day with Youth Night, playing volleyball at a local park.		
Stay updated to see how the passion projects progress throughout the next four weeks!		



Junior Class Missionaries

Little Rock, Arkansas

THE MISSIONARIES HAVE RETURNED TO ARKANSAS!!



After the Pilgrimage to Japan and Korea and a small fundraising condition in Oklahoma, the missionaries came back to their second home in the Arkansas community.

It all started with the missionaries surprising everyone with an unannounced return to the Sunday Service, where they all brought their own testimonies to share with the people, and a reward for the community of Arkansas at the end. Their return came with immediate planning on how they can give the community something to gain within the time frame they have.

Through discussion, one idea that everyone was inspired by was the book witnessing previously done by the second years who were in Croatia. Alongside this, the missionaries also agreed on wanting to adjust some events in Arkansas by adding a bit more flair. For example, during the recent PSWM event, the missionaries hosted a quick icebreaker game, led the presentations, and, in the end, made wraps/sandwiches to give out to the homeless as a community service, showing them the love they deserve as children of God.



On Wednesday, the brothers and sisters were separated in the afternoon as it was sisters/brothers night. The sisters went to a diamond art event in a library hand-chosen by the community, where they made beautiful art along with the community, and a guest who decided to come after hearing about our return.

On the other hand, with the help of the community, the brothers went out bowling and pool to reconnect the brotherly bond that was once made. Lastly, yesterday, the missionaries were reunited with a sermon by Rev. Jackson, since last Sunday was NGM and he was out

for personal reasons. Revolving around the idea of being grateful for God's presence, Rev. Jackson gave a powerful sermon during both the morning and evening services that rekindled the hearts of the missionaries to give it their all in Arkansas one last time.



Junior Class
Chicago, Illinois

Welcome back to the Chicago Family Church community! The team has returned with newfound determination and started the week by exploring Chicago!



Going to the main city and to one of the great lakes, the team enjoyed the nature and surroundings they experienced. They then had the opportunity to volunteer at the "Feed My Starving Children" non-profit, further supporting the community in Chicago.





But they are not yet finished!

Their determination this last month was to invest more in the Chicago community, so the team began their endeavors, including fundraising, witnessing, attending the young adult event "Fear Factor", and creating a small NGM promo for the youth of Chicago. Picking up where they had left off, the team returned to their responsibilities before, such as the worship and tech teams.

They are excited to continue this last month together with the Chicago community, so please stay tuned for more updates!



Junior Class
Clifton, New Jersey

This week has been a productive one for the NJ team.



Beginning on Tuesday, they started using a newly developed strategy to lecture on the purpose of creation rather than asking people survey questions. The team hosted their first event on Saturday, a gardening service project where they helped maintain the church community's garden, preparing it for planting and opening it to anyone who wants to sow their seeds!





Other programs include Friends Night for friends and guests to gather together, and a victory celebration for Tamami, a missionary who just finished her mission in New Jersey. Congrats Tamami!

With continuous devotion and checking their HAM (heart, attitude, and mindset), the NJ team will see the fruits of their investments.



Junior Class

Denver, Colorado



Over the last two weeks, the Denver NGM team has been participating in a fundraising condition in Phoenix, Arizona in preparation for staffing the upcoming One Heart Camp in Los Angeles. One Heart Camp remains an important annual experience for many youth in the Denver Family Church community, making this preparation period especially meaningful for the team.

As one of the first self-led fundraising teams, the condition has brought both challenges and opportunities for growth. The missionaries have been grateful for the support and hospitality of the Arizona Family Church, which has welcomed the team to stay at the church center during the summer heat. Over the past week, the team has begun to find its rhythm, experiencing renewed momentum and several internal fundraising breakthroughs.

As they prepare for the upcoming One Heart Camp staff workshop, the missionaries are reflecting on these experiences and striving to grow into the role of older brothers and sisters for the youth they will soon be serving.

DMV



The DMV team had a packed week.

From Friday to Monday, they were able to be group leaders or co-group leaders for 3 days of the DMV workshop. Most members were experiencing their first time as group leaders.





During the DMV workshop, they did the NGM promo and Q&A. On the last day of the workshop, we were able to celebrate one of the members' birthdays, Daniel.



Junior Class

Columbus, Ohio



Just two weeks after settling into the Ohio community following their time in Korea, the boys' team has quickly established a steady rhythm of outreach, fellowship, and service.

The week began on Monday with the observance of Memorial Day, offering a time of reflection and gratitude. On Tuesday, the team carried out fundraising efforts, followed by a witnessing meeting on Wednesday to share experiences and strengthen their approach. Later that day, the team visited IKEA for a brief time of refreshment and to look for furniture to fill the youth center here in Ohio.





On Thursday, the team traveled to Cleveland, where they visited the Holy Ground, explored an art museum, and connected with a local family. Friday was dedicated to a full day of fundraising, demonstrating perseverance and teamwork. The week concluded on Saturday with half a day of fundraising, followed by assisting with cleaning the church, offering their time in service to the community. Overall, the week reflected continued growth, unity, and a deepening commitment to their mission in Ohio.





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