

Central L.A. Young People's Gathering, Saturday, February 4

The Lord greatly blessed the time with the young people Saturday afternoon. He went above and beyond what we asked for. In all 52 people attended, 33 of these being junior high or high school young people (4 of our own), 8 college students and 11 adults. Every part of the time was very sweet and comfortable. I believe that we had the best location in the park for today's gathering. After some initial ice breaker games we gathered to pray before we ate (I have attached a picture of this prayer time).

During lunch the YP, college students and serving ones mixed up and sat together to talk and get to know each other. This was followed by a time of singing hymns and reports from the Bible clubs. The sharing from the 3 clubs (West Adams High School, Los Angeles High School, Virgil Middle School) was so encouraging for everyone. After one of the YP from LA High offered a prayer, Felipe shared a word on Matt. 13. I was impressed with his sharing, mixing testimonies from his high school years with the truth from the word. At the close of his sharing he led everyone there to pray to receive the Lord. It was so sweet to see all of their eyes closed while praying and repeating Felipe's prayer. We ended the time with some overflow from the YP. Many of them shared of their enjoyment from his speaking and their experience in the Bible clubs. Even some of the more quiet ones shared and some with tears. We then took a group photo (I have attached a picture of the group photo) and stayed at the park for another hour playing games – frisbee, kickball and badminton. One of the parents of a Virgil YP came. A number of us spent time talking with her throughout the day. She was very touched and so thankful as they were leaving.

During the day took a large number of photos, videos and video testimonies from a number of different young people by themselves and in groups asking what they like about being in the Bible club. The footage and sharing that we have on video is priceless. We will be making video including photo slide show, music, video footage and testimonials and plan to show them at the 3 high schools during the Bible club meetings in the next few weeks.

Lord, continue to gain all of these vessels for Your move in the high schools and college campuses!

