

## THE CARSON COLLECTIVE

A Ministry Update from the Month of May



Students, Sue (staff), Andren, & Jessica Roasting marshmallows after bible study

## **Girl's Time**

Every Thursday evening the girls of Long Beach and North Orange County gather in the vard of one of our staff's home in Long Beach. We teach the girls how to grill, roast marshmallows, and most importantly give a bible lesson!

Jean, a sophomore at Wilson, had a rough home life. Because of this, she ended up in a rough crowd where they smoked weed every morning,

then skipped class. In 9th grade, she was raped and wanted to end her life afterwards. On top of this, both her parents work full time so she has become the primary caregiver for her little sister, Desiree, who she must take everywhere! Jean also must have a weekend job to pay for anything she needs; clothes, phone, school supplies etc... At 15 years old, she feels like an adult and often misses out on youth events due to child care and work.

Then, she was introduced to Cru by a friend. Recognizing that she was at her wits end, she prayed and asked Jesus to be her Lord and Savior! She now attends Cru and no longer skips school! For Jean, it can be very stressful to try to finish high school, pay attention in Cru, and watch a toddler at the same time! Since Jessica has been bringing our boys, they can play with Desiree while Jean can finally experience rest and put all of her attention into the lesson! Please pray for Jean as she seeks to balance work, child care, studies, and her new life with Jesus!

## **Getaway 2021**

January 2020 was the last time that Cru had an in-person camp. Though we have two per year, covid caused us to miss out on the two following camps. As the restrictions are lifting, we are very excited to announce that we will again be hosting a summer camp at Biola college on June 17-20! Please pray as we received word that we go could forward with the conference



at the end of April; leaving us less than two months to plan an event for 100 people! We are very thankful to Biola who has made great efforts to allow us to gather safely! Please also pray that the Gospel would continue to permeate hearts of students long after the weekend conference ends!



## **Prayer Requests**

- Pray that girls would continue to be engaged and invite their friends to our summer bible studies
- Pray for Jean and her family!
- Pray for our upcoming summer camp from June 17-20 at Biola.





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