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## SUMMERTIME OPPORTUNITIES

As you know, my Leadership Development role with Cru is mostly on the staff level. As a result, my work is year round and so I can't fit in a different summer assignment like I did before. However, I did get to visit two of our summer missions earlier this summer. One is the summer project in Wildwood I helped lead for 9 summers.

The outreach to internationals working there for the summer continues to have an impact. Each week the International Cafe is held in the backyard of the project house. As people enjoy music and s'mores, they also can engage in conversations about Jesus. Using God's Word, Perspectives cards, Solarium pictures and more the staff and students bring the truth about Jesus to these students from all over the world. I had an hour long conversation with a sophomore who had a very unsatisfying philosophy class that left her wondering if you could really know whether or not God exists. I sent her a book about Jesus that will help her to see what He said, what He did, and what's the point of it. My hope is she will read this and have a greater understanding of the Bible. I'm also giving her, *Thinking About God an Introduction to Philosophy* that will help her to see it is reasonable to think God does exist.

It was great having time with our Epic (Asian American Ministry) summer mission during their orientation. I purposely went to experience a setting where white people were the minority as you can see in the picture below. In their first week they shared the gospel with many and 23 people prayed to receive Christ. Please pray that the seed will take root and bear fruit in their lives.



Sam, my niece, and I



## THIS WEEK

I will be in a cabin in the mountains of New Mexico with my old boss, new boss, and 4 of the other women from the National Leadership Development Team I'm on. In February we decided it was too long to wait till September for our next national meetings and put this 4 day trip on the calendar. One thing we find most valuable at those meetings is being able to talk about the day to day work as well as the crazy things we deal with sometimes. During these 4 days that's all that's on the agenda along with getting to know each other better, taking a hike, and eating authentic New Mexican food. Thank you for your partnership that helps this ministry be possible.

Grateful for the opportunity to be sharpened by others,

