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PRAYER AND PRAISE:

- **Our teammate Sandy has finished raising support and can now join us!**
- **Three students at Cal State Long Beach trusted Christ last week!**
- **Crossroads conference is this weekend, and Paul has a big role directing the program. Pray for his leadership and God's work through the weekend.**
- **Pray for us to finish the semester strong in the midst of holiday travel and a busy time for students.**
- **Pray for us to meet Christian faculty at Fullerton who will be excited about reaching students.**

Fall Retreat

This year, we joined with Epic (the Asian American movement) and Impact (African American movement) to host a fall retreat for students from Los Angeles and Orange County. Having it all together brought a lot of energy and excitement. We had almost 150 students and staff! Destino had 29 students, which was very exciting for us considering the newness of our movements. We even had 7 students from Chico State and 5 from Arizona State drive up to 10 hours to join us!

One of my favorite moments was hearing Richard, a freshman from Fullerton, share a poem he had written during the talent show. Franklin, a student leader from Long Beach, joined him to play guitar. The poem revealed his heart and desire to follow God and be used by him. He's usually very quiet, so it was fun for us (and everyone else there) to get to see him break out of his shell. We are excited to see how God continues to grow him and use him with his friends and peers at CSUF!

We're praying for more opportunities to have all of the students together to gain vision and encouragement from one another as they step out in faith daily.



A Lesson on the Power of Prayer

During a recent Destino meeting at Cal State Fullerton, we were discussing how prayer can be an easy introduction to spiritual conversation with friends. As we usually do, we followed this up with asking if there were ways we could pray for each other. After one student gave the familiar request about stress and busyness in their studies, we were a little surprised by the one that followed. Luis shared that his cousin, who lives in Mexico, had been kidnapped the previous week and was being held for ransom. Being such an urgent request, we stopped and prayed right then. Later that day, Paul got a text message from Luis telling us that his cousin had been released that afternoon. It was such an awesome and immediate demonstration of the power of prayer and God's care for people. It was a good reminder for us and a much better lesson to our students than we could ever give!