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I woke up with tears in my eyes. It was December 29, the last day of our 2022 youth camp. For the first 10 seconds, I didn't know why I was crying. Two names were on my mind - youth members who had gone overseas for further studies. Soon, more names came to me - youths who didn't come for the camp for one reason or another. It was then I realized the reason behind the tears - they were of gratitude for the past 3 days, and of

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sadness for those who missed out on EPIC. Two months before the camp, the registrations were coming in slow. Our target was 78 participants, but we were nowhere near half. It was a wake-up call. I asked the youth leaders to take turns to join the church's weeknight prayer meeting on Zoom and submitted a list of prayer requests to Phyllis. It turned out to be the most significant thing that we did for camp.

Next Week's Sermon March 12, 2023

Knowing the Heart of God -Why He Chooses the Poor (Part 2)

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The first surprise was how easy the prayer time was. In the past 3 youth camps, there seemed to be an unwritten expectation that the last night of camp was the time for "altar call" - to cry unto God and seek prayer.

And even then, there would be a long time of waiting and a lot of encouragement before people come out to seek prayer. But that all changed this time around. After the first night's sermon, the youths were simply encouraged to find a prayer partner. And then, you could tell that God was dealing with the hearts of our young people. They prayed for one another, and the youth leaders also went around ministering to them. It was like that for all three nights. The second surprise was the unity among the youths.



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END GAME

I felt it right from the beginning. Everybody seemed eager for the camp to go well. People offered to help fill in the gaps without being asked to. The older ones played their part in setting a good example and trying to rope everyone in, and the younger ones responded positively. Sure, there were some loners still - but overall, I could see how the older youths worked to make everyone feel welcomed. I also know that the younger ones did their best to overcome their awkwardness and put their best foot forward.

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At the end of the day, I am more grateful than sorrowful. It's a shame that some couldn't make it, but God has his way to get to them. I thank God for his faithfulness and mercy towards the young generation he loves them and is pursuing them through the Holy Spirit.

I am thankful to those who helped with the pre-camp work; the game facilitators, the music and sound team, the team leaders and their assistants, and my personal anonymous angels - all of you encouraged me one way or another throughout the camp.

Thank you to those who sponsored campers - you made it possible for us to have 72 campers in total. Most importantly, my utmost gratitude to the church's prayer team. I have no other explanation for all the great things that happened in camp, except that we prayed, and there were people praying for us. Your partnership is incredibly motivating.

Thank you FBC for loving young people.

Joash, Youth Pastor.



PrayerSpotlight

Prayer for Youth Ministry

- 1. Praise God for his faithfulness and mercy for the youth in FBC. Give thanks for God's continued pursuit of our youth. We are filled with gratitude for the fruitful youth camp.
- 2. Pray for the raising up of new youth leaders to be mini youth pastors. Pray that they will be filled with the Holy Spirit - full of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness. goodness, faith, gentleness, and self-control.
- 3. Pray for parents of youths for wisdom to disciple their youths, and comfort and strength in times of struggle and frustration.
- 4. Pray for God to draw youth interns or ministry worker to join the church and share in the work of discipling the youth to maturity - filled with passion for Jesus and his kingdom.