

“Nor do we know what to do, but our eyes are upon You.”
2 Chronicles 20:12b

Last weekend 7 youth from CCCO along with youth from Calvary Chapels all over the Islands descended upon Camp Homelani for our annual Spring Break Camp. This was the largest Spring Break Camp ever with over 170 youth and 30+ leaders, not counting the leaders that did not sleep over at the camp. As we were planning and praying for this camp we got the camp verse, 2 Chron. 20:12b and the camp theme, the life of Joseph. Pastor Mike (One Love) started our first session by telling the youth that they are the Joseph generation. They are a generation with more family crises than any other generation and he asked people to raise their hands if they come from a broken family and over half of the youth had their hands up. He went on to tell them that they are the generation with the most access to temptation with TV, internet, movies, music, magazines, etc. Next, he told them that they are the generation with huge struggles. He asked the High School students to raise their hands if they knew someone in High School who was pregnant and over half of the youth raised their hands. He then asked the Jr. High students to raise their hands if they knew someone in Jr. High who was pregnant and there was about 20 Jr. Highers who raised their hands. Finally, he told them that they are in the top 2% of wealth in the world, that they have a better quality of living than most of the world. All of these things that they are going through can be found in the life of Joseph, and God wants them to know that He loves them and He wants them to keep their eyes on Him.

With such a great introduction of the theme Pastor Levi (Maui) talked about family crisis's on Saturday morning and he told the story of Joseph and his brothers and he applied it to his life as he shared his testimony of his parents getting a divorce. Pastor Joel (Komo Mai) shared before lunch about temptation and how Joseph was tempted in Egypt and the things that we need to remember when we are tempted, that we need to have “An awareness of God's there ness.” Saturday night I got to share about struggles and Joseph in prison and forgotten. I shared from my testimony of my struggle with Loralee and I used the verse that Pastor Rick gave us in the discipleship class Revelation 12:11. That night youth gave their lives to the Lord. Youth went out and got prayer for all of the things that

they are going through. We also got to lay hands on the youth that feel that they are called to full time ministry. The Holy Spirit was poured out on the youth Saturday night and there was a freedom of worship that only comes with total abandonment to the Lord. The only thing that I can liken it to is David in 2 Samuel 6:16, it was something that is indescribable, Praise the Lord! We ended on Sunday with Pastor Bruce (Kauai) encouraging us to keep our eyes on the Lord when things are going well and then Pastor Jason (NSCF) wrapping things up by exhorting us to continue in the things that we learned when we got back home. The camp ended with a time of communion and then a final song. The bottom line is that the Lord met the youth at this camp and it was the best camp that I have ever been a part of. I can't wait to see what the Lord does with this "Joseph generation."

Pastor Eli