



Class AGAPE

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Volunteers who are now preparing to leave Class AGAPE and go onto higher education were asked to write about their time of volunteering. Sarah Rhee and Charles Yoo both have volunteered at OC Class AGAPE and their reflection is a closure of their time at Class AGAPE. Thank you to all of our volunteers who have served faithfully during their high school years and wish you the best! We have no doubt that your time here at Class AGAPE will help you see the world in a positive light and make you a strong individual to make this world a better place for all of us. Thank you!

"4 Years Later..."

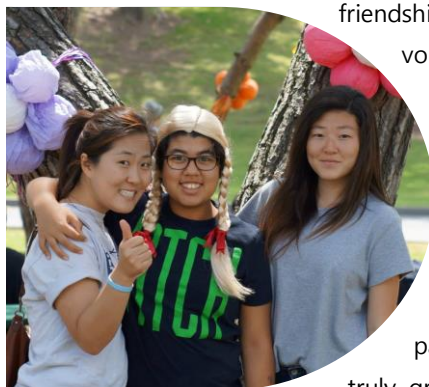
Sarah Rhee (OC Class AGAPE Volunteer)



My experience at Milal has definitely been a long journey filled with its share of ups and downs. I have learned so much throughout the four years that I have volunteered here;

and I can say that I would never trade these memories and experiences for anything else. I initially started volunteering at Milal simply to help people, and at the same time, receive volunteer hours. Instead, I have been given the privilege of so much more. I learned how to learn, laugh, and **be** with my buddy. I witnessed a tightknit community with each buddy and volunteer – learning how to work and play **together**. It was so amazing to see individuals, both buddies and volunteers, coming together from such different backgrounds and lives to continue to have fun and learn on a weekly basis. It was no longer about the award or the number of hours anymore. I realized that I valued my

friendships of all the buddies and volunteers much more. I



firmly believe the time and memories I shared with my friends were and still are very important. Milal has and always will be a huge part of my life and I am truly grateful for having been a

part of such a great experience.

"A Sense of Pride"

Charles Yoo (OC Class AGAPE Volunteer)



Despite the many things that I have tried in life so far, nothing can compare to the times I volunteered at Milal. These Saturdays are the ones

that test my limits mentally and physically. I used to come home after Milal and frequently question why I go through all this trouble. Then I found my answer when I heard the testimony of a buddy's mother. As a mother she could not fully rest easy unless she had eyes on her daughter 24/7. Therefore she had to change her entire lifestyle: she had no time for work and she did not even have time to nurture her other children. To her the buddy's needs was greater than her other children's wants. However, Milal gave her a safe haven for her daughter and for herself. For at least 6 hours of the week, she had time to do what she and her other children wanted to do.

She had the time to give her love to her other children. After hearing this speech, I had a completely different opinion on the time I spent at Milal.



My sacrifice allowed a family to be able to do what they wanted to do. Most people, including me, take for granted the freedom of being able to live for yourself. The fact that my small sacrifice allowed this family to be able to do something other than taking care of their child/sibling instilled a strong sense of pride. The buddies were also able to help me because they gave me new experiences that eventually molded me into the person I am today.

Saturday, April 2nd, 2016 is "Autism Awareness Day"



Class AGAPE volunteers, teachers, and staff do our best to take part in *raising awareness* of Autism in the community. Our volunteers start as young as 14 years old and dedicate nearly 42 Saturdays every year to serve individuals with various developmental disabilities which include but are not limited to Autism, Intellectual Disability, Cerebral Palsy, and Epilepsy.

Will you join us, not only on April 2nd, but on a weekly basis, help raise awareness in our community?



- 04/01 ELA: Karem Han
TOR: David Lim
- 04/02 OC: Doyeon Kim
- 04/03 ELA: Caleb Kwon
- 04/07 LA: Jason Kim
- 04/12 LA: Joshua McGrath
- 04/15 OC: Lina Kim
Tor: Minwook Jung
- 04/18 OC: Soo Kyung Lee
- 04/19 ELA: Eric Hang
- 04/21 ELA: Ms. Sally Park
- 04/24 OC: Ms. Hanna Song
- 04/25 ELA: Ms. Jeewon Lee
- 04/27 LA: Andrew Lee
- 04/28 LA: Daniel Cho
LA: Jong Hye Park
IRV: Diana Jang
TOR: Heesu Ban
- 04/29 TOR: Chris Kim
- 04/30 LA: Andrew Cha

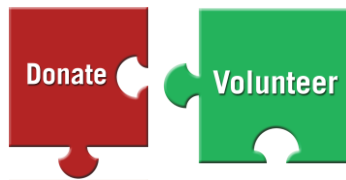


Class AGAPE is grateful to those who continue to support us in various ways! We were blessed to have received a grant from **Open Bank Stewardship Foundation!**

You can support Class AGAPE in the following ways:

- (1) Lunch
- (2) Snacks
- (3) Monetary Offering

If you would like to become one of our sponsors, please contact Ms. Sarah Lee at (657) 400-9570 or email us at CLASSAGAPE@MILALMISSION.COM



April 5th, 2016
ELA's 13th Anniversary!

April 20th, 2016
LA's 14th Anniversary!

April 28th, 2016
Irvine's 9th Anniversary!

May 7th, 2016
LOVE FESTIVAL
@ Whittier Narrows Regional Park
"The Meadows" Area
750 Santa Anita Ave.
S. El Monte, CA 91733

May 28th, 2016
NO CLASS
Memorial Day Weekend

June 18th, 2016
NO CLASS for Participants
2016 Camp AGAPE
Volunteer Workshop

June 23rd – 25th, 2016
2016 Camp AGAPE
@ UC Santa Barbara
Depart on 23rd at 12 PM
Return on 25th at 5 PM

Class AGAPE Locations:

Orange County	Los Angeles	East Los Angeles	Irvine	Torrance
(2000년 8월 6일)	(2002년 4월 20일)	(2003년 4월 5일)	(2007년 4월 28일)	(2008년 9월 13일)
감사한인교회	충현선교교회	선한청지기교회	베델한인교회	토랜스제일장로교회
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