

Power Restored - CYC 2020

In Dallas on January 17, 2020, hundreds of Christians migrated from all over the South. There were people from Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas. Some people made trips upwards of 12 hours long. There was beautiful singing, moving lessons, and lots of good fellowship. This was my first year to be able to go and I am so glad I got this opportunity to come, enjoy my friends, meet new ones, and experience some amazing worship.

There were a lot of great speakers with powerful messages. There were song leaders with beautiful voices. There was even some comedy. We were treated to a group called S.W.A.T. or Skits With A Truth. There were some skits that were funny but my favorites were the ones that left everyone silent afterwards. One big topic with the skits was being a "half-Christian". They demonstrated this by one player reading the ingredients on a cake box & someone walked in and asked, "What are you doing?" He said, "I'm going to make a cake." The other guy said, "You can't make a cake by reading the instructions. Much like you can't be a Christian just by reading the Bible. Like James 2:14 says faith without works is dead."

Reading is an important part of being a Christian, but knowing is only part. You have to put God's work into action. The night we got to CYC, we heard a lesson on living a resurrected life. Chris McCurley gave that lesson. In it, he said that there are things in our life that we need to get rid of; that the trash of our life needs to be taken out.

When we take it out, we need to fill where we had just cleaned. He cited Matthew 12:43-45. This section talks about a man who had a demon. When the demon returned to the heart from which it left to find it cleaned and unoccupied. More spirits entered this man's heart because of the room in it. Chris McCurley challenged us to cast out the garbage and replace it with the Lord.

CYC 2020 was an amazing experience and I am so glad I got the opportunity to attend. – Cache Cole