

The Triennial in Anaheim was my first experience of attending with Juniors from our chapter and it was a wonderful opportunity to learn and share with other chapters. Fifty-two girls aged ten to twenty came together with their dedicated directresses and our days were filled with times of learning, sharing, praying, and getting to know each other.

Mary MacGregor led a workshop on the Uniqueness of Each of Us encouraging girls to be themselves as God has made them and not letting the World's values determine who they should be.

We worked on Mendalla t-shirts and put faces on two hundred prayer bears that were to be distributed to the children at Orangewood Children's Home, a home for children in crisis situations.

On Friday, Esther Miller, an Anglican missionary, shared her story of how she had been chosen by God as a ten year old to become a missionary and how she, twenty-two years later, responded to that call. She told us of her experiences in Malawi going from village to village spreading God's love and teaching the native women to sew.

We spent a day at the Mission of San Juan Capistrano, a Roman Catholic mission that was founded by Father Junipero Serra in 1776 and is considered the jewel of the California missions. After our tour of this beautiful property we shared box lunches in their picnic area.

On Friday evening, after our dinner, the Juniors held their own Healing Service. Some of the girls felt comfortable and called to serve as healing prayer partners and, after a brief training in how to pray for others, four prayer stations were set up and while soft praise music played, many came forth for prayers of healing.

Triennial was a time to feel God working in the lives of our young women and to experience Junior Daughters of the King on a wider scale as different ages, races, denominations of young women from eight different states came together.

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