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PRESS RELEASE

YoungPFDJ San José Hosts Open House, a Huge Success!

San José, CA, October 26, 2010 -- YoungPFDJ or (YPFDJ) San José reported the success of their first Open House on Saturday, October 23, 2010. With a little over thirty seven (37) youth* and Hdri* in attendance, the event especially revived the Eritreans residing in San José and surrounding areas.

Located in the heart of Silicon Valley, YPFDJ San José is one of the newest chapters to be founded amongst the growing global movement, which is aimed at molding "...strong, conscious, patriotic youth" of Eritrea by inheriting the legacy of the previous generation and passing a prosperous and just society to the next generation by mobilizing, organizing and equipping the youth with the necessary leadership skills and education, through a deep understanding of Eritrea's rich history and the global influence on Eritrea's economic, political, and social aspirations!

The event touched on the true meaning of the movement; how various chapters across the globe have executed the organization's mission and goals; what sets this organization apart from other Eritrean organizations; what is expected of the San José Chapter and its members; the conference experience of a first time attendee Ms. Stephanie Gebremedhin; and lastly, the next steps and the future of the new chapter.

It was especially apparent that there was an esteemed level of passion; there was much curiosity behind the many questions that were presented during the question and answer portion. Evidently, Ms. Bana Isaac stated before attending Saturday's Open House, she "completely assumed it was political... but the information changed my perspective." Aside from recruitment efforts, at the minimum, organizers intention was to begin to clarify any misconceptions individuals have had about the organization. Ms. Isaac continued to state, "I saw what YPFDJ was about and had to make a decision myself. I saw the impact our youth were making; that inspired me to help out and do what I can to be a part of it."

It is to be noted that members from the Oakland chapter were present. Several of these members gave their testimony, as they have been actively part of the movement for the past few years.

YPFDJ San José will be conducting orientation for members in November. Final details to follow in the coming weeks.

*Please note that in all instances in this press release, YPFDJ San José refers to youth as those between the ages of 18-35; respectfully, those referenced as Hdri are between the ages of 13-17.

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