

Volunteers: Lauren* Joyce Jon Sister sage Sister Dixon

(Linda stopped for a while after gardening, and Regis was there for a short time before Bible study, telling the students about the upcoming blessing of the animals.)

Students: Hyunju, Sherry, Yoko, Rainbow, Natalia, Xi lin, Satoko. Jing Sun arrived a little later but joined in.

Today marked out 30th Conversation Friends discussion group. We celebrated with a party. Everyone brought a snack or a beverage and we enjoyed mingling and talking with each other.



← Sister Sage teaches Sherry the Brazilian dance, Farro. Rainbow and Natalia had demonstrated that they already knew how to do it and found Farro music on Natalia's cellphone to accompany them.



The students looked at the flyers about the blessing of the animals and some seemed inclined to come and see what it's all about.

Photos by Hyunju

Here you can see the abundant food! Yoko and Si Lin are on the left; Satoko on the right in front of Joyce. Of course, that's Linda, Lauren and me. Sister Dixon is almost hidden sitting at the table.

It was so nice to see groups of people who came from different cultures, speaking with each other in the only language they share, English. Even those who are reluctant to speak in class were talking up a storm!

Everyone helped to set out food and stayed to clean up as well. We all left around 12:45, I believe.

Linda adds:

"When I left church at 2:00 p.m. yesterday (Tuesday), two conversation friends were still in the parking lot talking."