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Student Life Ministry of Campus Crusade for Christ

ERIN TODD'S MINISTRY UPDATES FROM THE LAND OF OZ

Friends from the Homeland!

In the states, Campus Crusade for Christ offers a variety of ministry opportunities for students during the summer. These are called "summer projects." They can take place either in the states, or overseas, since we are called to love and share the good news with EVERYONE. Our Geelong ministry is partnered with the UCSB and UCLA campuses in California. These schools pray for us, cast vision, and share the need of Australia in the states. We were blessed to have a team of 13 Bruins (plus 2 from other campuses) choose to do their 5 week Summer Project here in Australia! These were the most amazing people! The Aussie students LOVED them! We encouraged the team not to try out spiritual surveys or force someone to listen about God, but to make friends with Aussies, listen to them and their experience with Christianity, and let the Lord speak into their hurts, frustrations, hardships, and any other matters, and show them LOVE like Jesus did. What an amazing turn out! Three students made the decision to follow Christ while they were here and heaps more have a better idea of Christians and are making steps toward God! Not only did this Summer Project Team help our ministry tremendously, but they too were blessed by the experience. Many of them took away a completely different view of evangelism and grew closer to the Lord during their time here. To the Summer Projector's reading this, thank you again for all your hard labour and prayers for these Aussies! Love your work!

LOVE/LISTEN/SPEAK/CELEBRATE

Last month, I mentioned in my "prayer request" section and on my blog that we would be hosting a Prayer and Worship Event called "Love/Listen/Speak/Celebrate." On August 13th, we had over 45 students attend from the Geelong community! We dressed up this old brick chapel on campus with lights and candles, and were blessed by AJ and Sean's awesome worship music. I stood at the door to this tiny chapel, packed with so many students, and was in awe. These were all the students I'd been pouring into and shepherding with my teammates this past year, and here they were, giving all their praise to God. It was such a great picture for me, and a way for God to affirm that the work being done here is so worthwhile. We even took the bold step of inviting some students who hadn't put their faith in Christ yet. But God can speak in any way He sees fit! Two girls joined us that night, and 4 days later, one of them gave her life to Jesus! Both of these girls are also being met up with weekly and going through Christianity Explained. Please pray for these lovely girls. It is clear God has been working in their hearts for a while, and we are blessed to be in their life at this moment now. Thank you to all of you who joined us through prayer for this event as well. It's so amazing that we can be joined in this ministry all because of a great God that allows us to communicate with Him!

*Prayer Requests*

Praise the Lord for all of the fruit we are seeing as a result of our hard work and investment!

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Please pray my energy sustains with only a month left on campus and I continue to lead our team. Pray I prioritize my time well and wrap up relationships well with students.

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Pray as we get into the thick of Summer Project planning that will take place in November. We need strength & clarity!

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