



Campus Ministry in Southwestern Pennsylvania and the Mid-Atlantic

Close-up On Campus



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Answered Prayers In The Making

March. 2003. Shortly after the horrific attacks on the Twin Towers. IUP Cru students journey to NYC to share Christ with students and residents over their Spring Break. Lori, former IUP classmate of David's, was wrapping up her freshman year, but she can still remember the power of that week-long trip. "So many people were stunned that we weren't trying to sell something, [but] honestly wanted to hear their needs and pray for them." They'd ventured down into the subway and set up a table with a sign reading, 'Free Prayer.' As they set up in faith and waited, incredible numbers of students came in need of prayer. New Yorkers are not immune to the spiritual longing for something more.

After nearly a decade Lori has stayed in touch through our prayer letters. Upon hearing about our recent transition to NYC she recalled this about the night following the 'Free Prayer' event:

"..you are an answer to one of my prayers.. [My friend] and I prayed that night for God to send someone to NYC to start a Cru ministry with college students there. So awesome to see a prayer answered, knowing that it was answered in God's perfect timing!"

Though God had been at work in the city long before either of us, God would hear the prayers of this tender-hearted freshman and raise up a friend she'd not even met yet, who then wouldn't report for another 11 years! What comfort there is that despite our experience of time He always hears our cries and never forgets us. As He says, 'I have planned it, surely I will do it.. (Is 46:11)'.

Lori has since graduated – now teaching high school in



Las Vegas – but desperately needs your prayers. After several turbulent family fiascos and back-to-back nightmare teaching placements, Lori is struggling to walk well with the Lord. Please pray that God will meet her in that pain and bring godly people around her to strengthen her in grace.

NYC Fast Fact

NYU is the largest university in the city with over 50,000 students (and an average in-state tuition of \$60,000/yr). That's nearly as many students as in all of Southwestern PA!

Year 7 January 2015

Bible Thought:

"Let us not lose heart at doing good, for in due time we will reap if we do not grow weary."
Galatians 6:9

Book Recommendation:

Wounded By God's People
by Anne Graham-Lotz

Please Pray

- Our plan is to knock out all our funding and transitional preparations by April 1, move to NYC over the summer and report on campus by Fall 2015. Pray God would speed this along!
- God would raise up full-time laborers in Southwestern PA who will carry on our legacy

Praise God!

- Record largest turnout for Radiate (annual winter conference)! Nearly 1,200 people!
- On January 11, we'll reach our first anniversary! Another year to glorify Him in our marriage!

Thank you again for your prayers and hearts for Christ!

Until all hear, (Col 4:3-4)

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