

Northern Illinois & Northwest Indiana

MINISTRY UPDATE FROM BYRON & MICHELLE GRAHAM

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Urbana '12 is here!

"Generations of college students have come to Urbana to hear about issues in missions directly from the field and respond to God's call to participate in his global mission. During the five days of Urbana, thousands of participants will experience multicultural worship and drama, dynamic speakers, in-depth Bible study, and focused prayer. They will also be encouraged to explore short-term and vocational opportunities as they interact with representatives from hundreds of mission organizations and educational institutions."

You can watch the general sessions at urbana.org



God is moving among the fastest growing population on campus! In November we gathered Latino students from across the state to encounter Jesus for Encuentro 2012. It was full of joy and celebration and rich community.

But the highlight of the weekend was our call to commitment on Saturday night. After studying the life of Timothy, the commitment time on Saturday night! After breaking students into 4 groups based on the call to commitment they were responding to, we anticipated these groups would process for 20-30 minutes. Most of those groups lasted 2 HOURS, as students were hungry to ask questions about following Jesus and truly work out their salvation together. The Holy Spirit was faithfully transforming students!



Working Together as Partners

As 2013 approaches, we are dreaming about the ways the Lord might reach even more college students and transform them into world-changers for life. There are campuses yet unreached, students who need to hear the gospel, gifts that need to be fanned into flame. These dreams are not possible without God's provision of prayers and resources.

- Could you check your records for any missed gifts this past year and consider catching up with your giving?
- Might some of you consider a special end of the year gift?



Thank you. . . for your faithful financial prayer and support as we minister with InterVarsity.

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Prayer Requests

- For Urbana 12, that the message "You were made for something great" would resound in the hearts of the students
- For Latino students who returned to campus with vision to begin new ministries
- For the invitation to friends to attend the Christmas service with us at church
- For God to provide the resources needed for continued ministry with InterVarsity