

HALVORSEN MINISTRY UPDATE



Sharon (left) and the Cru team to Boston Western Suburbs

The Lord is truly our ultimate hero! He has completely solved the problem of our sin as the barrier to Him. He continues the act of completing the “not yet” of this age as His Spirit moves and by using His people to help others encounter Him.

Do you remember that YOU are a great part of seeing “the Kingdom come” on college campuses? You too are a hero in my book! You have come beside me in seeing the problem of this generation of college students being incredibly spiritually lost in such a formative time in their lives. You have helped me go to them with the love of Jesus and now train many other full-time Cru staff to do so as well. YOU have been a significant part of these life transformational communities on campuses, even if you have never stepped foot on 1 of the +40 college campuses in Boston or 1 of the 5,300 colleges and universities in the U.S.

During this season of reflection and thankfulness, I honestly have been thinking of YOU. Without you, I could not devote this much of my life to being focused on the mission God has called me to.

Just two weeks ago, my team was able to release Sharon (pictured above, furthest left) onto the western suburb campuses of Boston to do full-time ministry after a long journey of raising financial support. God gave Sharon an incredible story: she was born in a small Muslim country called Oman in the Middle East, to South Indian immigrant parents, who later immigrated to the U.S. when she was 12. While struggling to seek approval and affirmation from peers and fit in to majority culture, Sharon met Jesus.

The Lord has positioned Sharon to help reach the ethnic minority, immigrant, and - particularly - Muslim students who often struggle to connect in majority culture Christian communities. It is important for them to see those who look like them and might have had similar life experiences like them represented and providing leadership. Sharon is an answer to prayer!

Sharon worked really hard to raise her own financial support but simply did not know enough Anglo-American contacts to who were supportive of giving to missions. Thanks to you, we are able to give Sharon a matching grant to help her get to the great mission she is called to on campus! This grant is an encouraging boost for her while we shepherd her in continuing to build her financial support team, while on campus, so she can be a part of this mission for as long as God calls her to it.

Thank you, again, for being a hero and allowing God to use you in this mission. Aaron, Evelyn (5.9), Silas (4), and I wish you a very Merry Christmas! We pray that you experience the deep love of Christ as you celebrate the birth of the ultimate Hero who came to dwell among us.



Merry Christmas
The Halvorsen Family