Campus

The year has been off to a bang and I feel like I am just trying to hold on.

After the summer, we were approached to be part of helping reach ethnic students in our region of Campus Crusade for Christ [California, Arizona and Hawaii]. Of the 2+ million college students here, 60% of them are from an ethnic cultured background, but there are only about 20 staff total [2 from our region] who are focusing on reaching them!

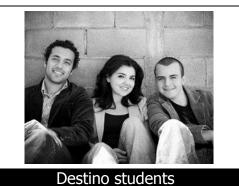
I [Kyle] was really excited to be part of helping our staff and students cross cultures on the campuses where they already are...and help to get to new campuses we've never been.

In Campus Crusade, we do a great job of crossing cultures when we go overseas on mission trips, but can neglect and miss the opportunities to cross cultures right where we are. We have lived like they need to come to us and be like us [which is totally opposite of how missionaries do the work when they are overseas].

I hope this is all making sense! But, I have been challenged to oversee the work in San Diego County, the Inland Empire and San Francisco.

It is keeping me on campus at SDSU and UCSD as well as the other campuses in San Diego...and getting me up to UC Riverside, San Francisco State and many other locations.

Please pray for opportunities to speak to students and staff



trying to figure out how to step out in faith and reach other cultures. Some of the barriers are fear, how hard it can be, not feeling 'ready', and overall busy-ness.

Part of what has been motivating comes from reading Revelation 7:9a "After this I saw a vast crowd, too great to count, from every nation and tribe and people and language, standing in front of the throne and before the Lamb."

Right on most campuses are students from 100+ nations. Most of the time, however, we go after what can only be described as the 'easy' work, the 'easy' fruit. Fruit that is like us. People that are like us.

God's heart has always been for the nations...for every person to have a chance to be in relationship with Him.

-One specific project you can pray for that I am working on is what I am calling a "Launch Box". In it will be the tools [materials and ideas] of how to spend a day or more on a campus to start a ministry to a different cultural group. In essence, everything you would need to 'Launch' a new club on campus. We are trying to get the prototype done in the next 2 weeks so that we can launch a Destino [Hispanic/Latino] group at UC Riverside. Please pray that it all comes together!

OTHER STUFF

--Recently, I think I must have lost my mind. A friend and supporter of our ministry was injured and unable to run the marathon she had been training for over the last few months. She asked on Facebook if anyone would run it and I responded, 'yes'. I hadn't run more than 4 miles in a row since college...and was trying not to think of the insanity of trying to run 26.2 miles.

It was just last week, and I felt good through mile 14, with 2:22:38 or something at the half-way point. Then it got ugly. By mile 17 I had a full on blister and lots of pain for the remainder of the race. I finished in 5 hours 35 minutes. It reminded me of Paul's message in 1Corinthians 9. It is about sharing with people both like yourself and not like yourself...he also mentions over and over that you do what it takes to bring them to Christ.

He specifically mentions that in a race you need to run to win. That all athletes discipline themselves in their training...so they are ready to perform and win the race! To run with purpose.

<u>I realized halfway through</u> <u>that I wasn't really ready for</u> <u>this race. I wasn't running to</u> <u>win...but to survive</u>.

I prayed at about mile 19 that my life wouldn't reflect that marathon...just living 'halfway'. I want to live to win, and bring as many with me to the finish line I can.

In His grip, Kule, Wenny, Malia, Carter & Avery