A WORD FROM

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The Things Only God Can Do!

As many of you know, AIA usually conducts our Ultimate Training Camps in 4 different locations each summer. This typically gives us the opportunity to reach about 600 athletes. Because of not being allowed to meet in large groups in person, AIA adjusted and hosted a digital conference/camp experience that we got to serve athletes through instead. This allowed more than 900 athletes (including a great group of Badgers) with the Gospel and engage in connecting faith & sport! The graphic below gives a snap shot of some of the things God did through this opportunity! Praise God with us for the creative ways He is continues to work even in an unusual season of life & ministry!



"I am the good shepherd. I know my own, and my own know me, just as the Father knows me, and I know the Father. I lay down my life for the sheep." John10:14-15

In the past few weeks, we have had an increased number of opportunities to engage with students about God's biblical perspective on the sin & problems related to racial injustice and inequality that our country is wrestling with. Keeping our eyes locked on the Good Shepherd has been a key. We have been growing as listeners, but also learning to equip students to love and respect those around them, especially those who look different than them. We are encouraging them to focus on people being image bearers...as those made in the image of God. We have been asking questions and discussing with our athletes and coaches things like:

- What would it look like to be God's instruments that make His kingdom come to earth, as it is in Heaven- where every tribe, tongue, and nation are loved, treasured and respected?
- What would it look like to be more patient and compassionate as I learn about experiences in someone's story that are different than my own?
- If Jesus left the 99 to pay attention to the danger and needs that ONE was facing, what would it look like for me to live intentionally with people who are hurting? How can I leave my comfort zone, fight for justice, and see & love people like He does?

We are trying to grow in these conversations through large group Badger Life, in small discussion groups, and in one-on-one connection times so that our hearts and minds transform more & more, which we pray causes a ripple effect of life change as we are following the Good Shepherd's lead.

Please Pray With Us:

- ~That we would shepherd & lead students with wisdom and grace as we point them to the Good Shepherd!
- ~That we would have patience and wisdom as we discern how Covid will continue to impact ministry on campus.

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THANK YOU for empowering us to share the Good News... To God be the glory! Much love,

Kyle, Jayne, AJ, Leisel & George