## A WORD FROM EAM WENIG

## **December 2022**



## Good things in small packages...

This time of year, its pretty common to have presents/ boxes on our minds, but we have also been thinking about them throughout the Fall with some special projects we have been working on! As an outreach to build trust with new students and connect people with the Good News and hope of the Gospel, we have been sharing "Total Athlete Toolboxes." These have been a great "on ramp" and new connection builder with students who we don't have relationships with yet. With so many people fighting anxiety and seeking answers, we have packed these boxes

with resources that equip them to have a Bible and other tools that help them grow faith muscles and get rooted in the truth of who Jesus is and how He loves them. There is a booklet in each box with music playlists, sermons and online resources to get Christ-centered help in their challenges & care in the midst of what they are going through. As we have shared these with student athletes and coaches, we have been so encouraged by how they are being received and also how students are excited to share them with their teammates as well!

Another "Box Project" we were able to recently serve with was through Operation Christmas Child. Student athletes from different teams came together to generously bless others! This is especially awesome, because we have been talking about being blessed to be a blessing. We enjoyed the opportunity to combine community and working together to impact people around the world with the Good News of why Jesus came at Christmas!



"For God so loved the world that He GAVE His only son ... " THANK YOU for the special ways you have helped these giving opportunities to happen.

Praying your Christmas is filled with many reminders of His gift of love and presence with you!



## We are incredibly grateful for YOU and the generous ways you partner and empower!

"And let the peace of Christ, to which you were called in one body, rule your hearts. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell richly among you, in all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another through psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." Colossians 3:15-17

We have so much to say THANK YOU LORD for because of you. The ways you generously and prayerfully impact these student athletes and coaches puts us in awe of GOD! THANK YOU for being His instruments in our lives and ministry on campus!

Many of you give throughout the year or annually, others share as your budget allow. We are so thankful for EACH

gift and the impact it has for the gospel!! As we come to the close of 2022, if you are considering giving a year-end gift we are so grateful! We appreciate the many ways you bless us with your prayers, encouragement & generosity!! As with any gift, (and to make sure you get a 2022 tax deduction) please make your check payable to Athletes in Action with our staff account number (0581139) written in the memo line. It would be most helpful if you could mail it to us (address bottom of page) by Dec 31 so we can get it to Cru by the end of the year.

Another easy way to make a contribution is by bank transfer or credit card. To do this, please go to our secure Campus Crusade for Christ giving page at <u>www.give.cru.org/0581139</u> and follow the instructions.

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