



"Excuse me? Can I sit here?" Nich asked a male student. He was the only student sitting for many lengths of a canteen table at lunch after language class one day. Nich was waiting for Elliott and Sean (two guys on our team) so they could have their weekly time of accountability and training. The student, whose name was Xavier, said sure so Nich waited and decided to ask him his major and get to know him for a few minutes.

After some small talk, Xavier said "We know each other." Immediately Nich felt embarrassed thinking he met and forgot who he was but at the same time recognized his face. Then it flashed back to him, he remembered meeting Xavier outside of a small film developing shop on campus our first fall here in 2014! Nich recalled talking to him for a short while and that he immediately felt a connection with him, but he was to serve in the military the very next day. . . for two years! Now, two years later, they meet again. We found out not only are his parents and grandparents followers of Jesus, but he gave credit to their chance meeting to God and agreed to meet up again soon! It was a sweet reminder of how God is orchestrating people to truly know Him. Would love your prayers as Elliott, Sean and Nich follow-up with and get to know Xavier!









Celebrating Sean's birthday with Food & Fireworks!

Thank you for praying for our team over this first month! We feel like we've been together for 3 months! The weather is starting to get cooler and we are into a pace of attending language class, meeting together to plan, celebrating birthdays, exploring the city and deepening relationships with students. Sometimes in the everyday routine of meeting students and talking to them about Jesus, we can lose track of simply spending time being still with God. Please pray for times of rest, for God to give us a continual desire to know Him more and to bring others to know Him too.

One other area that can be hard to focus is on language classes everyday from 9am - noon. Please pray each of us would grow in our language ability so we can minister more effectively and just have a higher quality of life, as most people in our city do not speak much English. Also, since Tricia is at home with the kids, pray that she would be stretched in her language as she learns through podcasts and as she talks with people in our neighborhood.

Thank you for reading and praying alongside us!

Aloha, NICH & Tricias