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JOY

“Or suppose a woman has ten silver coins and loses one. Won’t she light a lamp and sweep the entire house and search carefully until she finds it? And when she finds it, she will call in her friends and neighbors and say, ‘Rejoice with me because I have found my lost coin.’ In the same way, there is joy in the presence of God’s angels when even one sinner repents.” –Luke 15:8-10

Just after the New Year, around 400 students gathered in Boston for the annual Boston Winter Conference (BWC). Since it’s a bit tougher to connect with new ministry partners during the Christmas season, my director gave me the opportunity to go to two of our winter conferences to talk with students about working with Campus Crusade. I spent several days in Greensboro (some 1,000 students there!) and then headed to my beloved Boston. What a treat! If I’m honest, the time up north was bittersweet given my recent departure from the region and my favorite part of my work there—the BWC!

What joy, however, to be among staff that I love and have the privilege to engage with students that are processing their futures! The third day of the event, students hit the streets of Boston to talk with people about Jesus. Back in the ballroom that night, a sharing time commenced and we rejoiced as two conferees shared their decisions to place their faith in Jesus *while sharing about Him* with others that day! Isn’t that beautiful?!

One other highlight from my time in Boston was meeting June (not her real name), a student studying at a prominent Northeast university. As a freshman, she came to the United States from East Asia and found Jesus on campus. It was such a joy to hear her story and talk with her about how God might want to employ her life to impact her nation when she completes her college degree.

How grateful I am that God reached these men and women! It’s awesome to walk with them in the journey. Thanks for investing so generously so students, and even nations, can know Jesus!

Sweet Things

- I continue to work on expanding my ministry partner team so I can report back to my assignment. In December, God generously provided about 30% of the lump sum I need to get back to work right away for these next 12 months. I’m grateful and continue to appreciate your prayers as I have the *sweet* privilege of involving more people in what God is doing!
- God has provided a *sweet* opportunity for me to invest in the spiritual development of a friend, Shannon, from my church. She’s delightful and will co-lead a small group with me this spring. I’m thrilled to have such a great friend in her and the chance to learn and lead alongside her!
- My back is still in the healing process after I was rear-ended in November. While I wish I was at 100% again, I’ve had *sweet* times engaging with the Lord, seeing His goodness in this humble and dependent place I’ve entered physically. I appreciate your continued prayers for complete healing.

With Gratitude,

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