



Ministry Update for the Browns
October 2022



After nearly 2 years since our last meeting at Jefferson Forest High School (JF), we met on Friday with 15 students. Post pandemic the school is trying to get clubs going again so they have a period of an hour every other Friday for groups to meet during the school day! The students are all required to join one club so we know they will all be back.

Andrew and Nolvin (staff) took two Liberty students along and got to share the Gospel and explain why we would be coming for meetings there each week. Not knowing how they would answer we asked them why did they choose to be part of Cru. Each student shared a similar answer that they wanted to know God more and other believers at their school. We were really surprised to find out how they all had the same desire.

Our next step is to start a weekly time after school where there is more time to get to know the students and help them to grow in their faith.

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DOWNTOWN WITH THE BROWNS



BUSY BEES

Tabling events.
Block Party at
VUL. Ice
Cream Socials.
Prayer Walks.
Weekly Family
Dinners. Game
Nights. Weekly



Meetings. Global Focus Week (GFW). Fall Retreat. Apple Picking and baking. Scaremare. Evangelism Training. Pumpkin Carving. We know how to stay busy as bees here in Lynchburg! Though we enjoy the events we perform, we don't create events to simply perform. These critical opportunities help us to build relational capital not only with incoming freshmen and new



-to-Cru students, but with our student leaders and regular attenders, as they develop trust and rapport with us as staff and one another.

Whether we work together on following up new contacts to figuring out an Escape Room solution, we endeavor to do so as though we were working for the Lord, not for man (Col 3:23). We treat each event as a strategic opportunity to invest in the building of movements everywhere.



GFW/FALL RETREAT: OLD FRIENDS



Two of our biggest events that require the most preparation are Global Focus Week (a weeklong missions conference at Liberty where hundreds of organizations and invite students to various global opportunities) and Fall Retreat. Global Focus Week was very special for us because Daniel and Soumya Hiler and Blair Cook flew in from Sweden to help us table, speak in classrooms, and run our weekly meeting! These three were once on our team in Charlottesville, and we were thrilled to see them again.

Another blessing for us was to have Damian Long speak at Fall Retreat. Damian is currently the Director of Small Groups at Park Street Church, but was once one of our students involved with Boston Metro Cru. Damian and Andrew were great friends and it was a huge gift to host him and spend time with him.



PRAYERS FOR THE BROWNS

- Praise the Lord for Lynchburg Cru! Though we are busy, we are so grateful to invest in the lives of students who are willing to travel the globe spreading the good news of Jesus!
- Logan is applying to colleges! Please pray that the Lord would place him where he will grow intellectually, socially, and spiritually.
- Pray for our teammate Ashley who is expecting in March!
- Pray that students who challenged themselves to take the next step in their spiritual journeys will be faithful!
- Pray for a fruitful ministry at JF. Pray for students there to come to know Jesus!

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for man. — Colossians 3:23

We love and appreciate you!
In Christ, Andrew, Jena, Olivia, Logan and Samuel