



Ministry Update for the Browns
November 2018

MINISTRY IS FUN!

Ministry is both work AND play. It takes a lot of time, strategy, planning and prayer to execute effective ministry on our six campuses, but it is also a tremendous joy to be with these precious students! Central VA Cru was an entire weekend of fun and fellowship – we enjoyed taking students on the Downtown Mall for ice cream on Friday night as well as enjoyed the UVA vs. Liberty football game together! My personal highlight was having students from multiple campuses over for breakfast and playing Legos with them. It is a true honor to work with students who love the Lord and eagerly desire to serve Him!



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DOWNTOWN WITH THE BROWNS

THANKSGIVING FOR CENTRAL VIRGINIA CRU!

Our ministry experienced a significant milestone this past week: the inaugural Central Virginia (CVA) Cru meeting! A celebration of five schools occurred in the form of a celebration of and invitation to mission.



The evening began with emcees from UVA and Liberty getting students excited about the what the Lord has been doing at each campus through updates given by student reps of UVA, PVCC, CVCC, Liberty, and Randolph College. It was a great source of encouragement to hear how God is working throughout Central Virginia through Cru!

Next we “hosted” four stations where students could get information on how God is at work throughout the country and the world. We provided a glimpse into opportunities for students to be sent to Sweden, East Asia, North Africa and the US, and challenged our students to consider praying about how they would invest their spring breaks and their summers for the kingdom of God.

The highlight of the evening was hearing from Clint McClure, director of an area in East Asia called the Zone, where our former staff the Joel and Kristen Reynolds and Ryan and Christina Slater are now serving. Clint painted a compelling picture about how the time is now to reach the nations with the gospel of Jesus Christ and gave examples of

men and women who sacrificially invested in God’s kingdom, regardless of what it has cost them.

One student from newly launched Randolph College, Kelau, was particularly struck by the idea of men and women sharing the gospel in a place where it is illegal to do so. He later told staff, “I want to evangelize more on my campus. If they can do it with all the obstacles they have to share the gospel [in a closed country], I have no excuse.” What a powerful encouragement and exhortation to us as staff! We praise God for the continued movement of CVA Cru and pray that many will consider the opportunities presented to them and make decisions to GO!



PRAY FOR THE BROWNS

- During this season of Thanksgiving, we want to praise God for YOU and all of those who pray for and support us. What happens on campuses is because of your generous support!
- Pray for Christ to be the first love of us, our staff, and our students.
- Pray for the mental health of our students, as we have had students struggling in this area. November is typically when students hit the proverbial wall. Pray that they would be strengthened and encouraged by the Lord Himself.

Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

— 1 Thessalonians 5:18

With love,

Andrew, Jena, Olivia, Logan and Samuel