

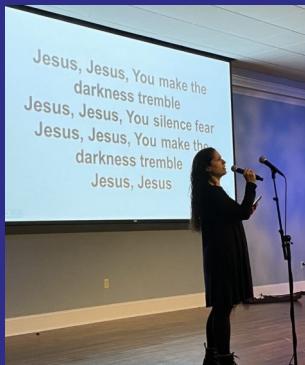


Ministry Update for the Browns
March 2021

METRO MEETING IN PERSON!

Through the generous partnership of Thomas Road Baptist Church, we were able to host an in person meeting for our Metro Meeting this month! Through the grace of God, we were able to have students both in person and virtually from Cru High School, University of Lynchburg, Randolph College, Randolph College, Liberty University, and CVCC. The event was rich with worship (led by Jenal), fun and games (including "Cru's Line Is It Anyway" improv), and great teaching by pastor Tyler Cash from Christ Covenant Fellowship. It is always a blessing for us to forge our citywide identity and celebrate what is happening all around Lynchburg!

Our students were challenged in the area of hospitality, and in being the hands and feet of Jesus to their classmates in the Cru community.



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TOGETHER BUT SEPARATE: SOCIALS, WORKDAYS, LUOPADS (what's that?)

The theme of this month has been togetherness! We have endeavored to find creative ways to forge ahead as a ministry while respecting the severity of the pandemic. Though it looks different, we can praise God for what He is doing to build community — and even add to it — in this peculiar season.



LUOPADS.

This month we held an event in honor of Unto, Cru's humanitarian arm. We made LuoPads, washable hygiene products for women who are not able to afford such products, to restore their dignity and share the love of Christ. Together we cut and measured fabric to create them, and sent them to Unto's warehouse to be completed, sorted, and mailed. It was a great way to kick off Women's History Month!



VUL WORKDAY.

We had a great turnout at VUL the second Saturday of the month as we sought to bless the school! Though the students are still not there, we had an opportunity to do dorm improvements, prepare the steps to the main hall to be painted, and try to match a bucket of unmarked keys to their rightful dorm doors. We are so grateful for the students and staff that came out to serve, pray, and fellowship!

BUILDING COMMUNITY WITH COFFEE & EXPLODING KITTENS.

Socials are instrumental in us building gospel movements on campuses, because they set a casual, relaxed atmosphere to get to know one another. Though Sweet Briar, Randolph College and VUL have had to have virtual socials, we have managed to have safe get-togethers for CVCC, Liberty, and UoL to foster fellowship and laughter. Pictured here is an outing to Mission House Coffee where we were able to get drinks and play Exploding Kittens, a super fun card game. Next month we hope to have a high school social!

SAVE THE DATE: VISION NIGHT APRIL 29TH!

In case you missed it in the header...We are hosting our annual Vision Dinner this year on Thursday night, April 29th at 7pm, and we want YOU to tune in! Our annual Vision Dinner is an opportunity for us to give a broad picture of what the Lord is doing here in our six colleges and high schools, and we have some incredible stories of faith and healing in our midst! The program will be roughly 20 minutes of celebration and invitation for you to partner financially and prayerfully with what the Lord is doing here in Lynchburg. Join us online at lynchburgcru.com/visionnight and see how God has been faithful this year!

PRAY FOR THE BROWNS

- Pray that, as a staff team, we would continue to stay fixed upon Jesus, the author and perfector of our faith, as the semester ramps up towards the end! Also praise: we really enjoy being together as a team and love working together!
- Pray for (and please join us at!) our virtual Vision Night event!
- Pray for students that remain online from VUL as it has been a hard season for them being disconnected from community.
- Pray that we would choose leaders for next year wisely, and that we would care for, support, and pour into our current leaders, and teach them how to pursue Christ for a lifetime.

How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity! - *Psalm 133:1*

With love, Andrew, Jena, Olivia, Logan and Samuel