

The Seed in the Stump

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"This training was exactly what I needed. I'm so excited to go back and share with my friends," David, a junior at Truman State, shared after our week in Florida for spring break.

David joined us in Florida two weeks ago for the Big Break, a week-long training conference that Campus Crusade hosts every spring. Not only was it a fantastic time for us as we received training in how to compassionately and effectively communicate God's love and character to others, but we also had a great opportunity to go out to the beach every afternoon to apply what we had been learning. Practical training and plenty of opportunity to practice made for a life-

changing experience for hundreds of students, many of whom learned how to share their faith for the very first time in their lives. It was such a great joy to shepherd them along through the process - to encourage them when they needed it and to offer further advice and tips where we were able.

Personally speaking, we love Big Break for the opportunity it gives us to get to know the students in a more personal way. We get to really live life with them for a week in a way that is almost impossible throughout the regular school year. We had a blast sharing every meal with them, studying scripture with them every morning and getting to know them better.



Joe with the guys from Webster University and Truman State at Big Break

A NIGHT FOR JUSTICE

In February we hosted an event at Webster U called, "A Night For Justice." Libby Swenson from International Justice Mission came to speak. IJM is a Christian organization that labors worldwide to deliver men, women and children out of forced labor and sex slavery. Libby's talk was incredibly eye-opening and shocking. As part of her talk she was able to share the gospel and explain her passion for rescuing women out of these horrible conditions. It reflects the goodness and the love of a Father God, who Himself is no stranger to suffering. We had over 50 students in attendance, many of whom are non-Christians

who stayed after for a discussion. Because of your support of our ministry we can throw events like this on campus and present the gospel in compelling ways to new students on campus. Thank you!



Tsunami wave hits northern Japan

the Lord would use these horrible events to soften hearts to the gospel. If you are looking for a way to help, we recommend giving to crashjapan.com

INT'L STUDENT RETREAT

April 8-10 we are in charge of directing a retreat for International students. Already students have signed up from Nepal, Nigeria, Saudi Arabia, Hungary, Mongolia, China, and India! We have a lot of fun activities planned, including plenty of time to unfold the gospel story. We're praying the Lord would help us make clear his great plan to rescue and redeem a broken, fallen, rebellious world.

PRAY FOR JAPAN

We have been shocked and saddened by the recent footage of the disaster in Japan. This is an incredibly important time for us to deliver physical and spiritual relief to the people of Japan. Please pray for us, we may have the opportunity to lead a relief team there this summer. Please be praying for the Japanese during this hard time, that



Pray for int'l's at the retreat next weekend!



Libby answers questions at the Night For Justice

Please PRAY

- Our summer plans could be changing as we have a new opportunity to lead a relief trip to Japan this summer. Pray the Lord would direct our steps, that he would show us how he wants us to serve him this summer.
- That the Int'l Student Retreat would be an eternally significant weekend, life-changing for many that come. Pray specifically that we would be able to communicate clearly and passionately with all of the students.