

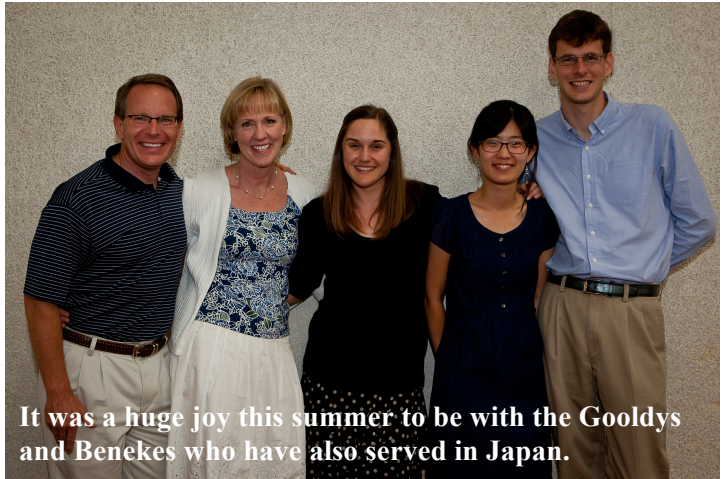
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Our training topics provoked significant discussions, including an evening about missiological dilemmas.



It was a huge joy this summer to be with the Gooldys and Benekes who have also served in Japan.

Dear Friend,

I praise God for my time in Colorado. Thank you for your prayers that sustained me through concentrated training and helped me rely on the joy of Jesus as my strength! God provided rich learning with fellow staff members that are also going to the nations!

During the last week, one of my most significant lessons came in an unexpected place: the restroom. Tiffany is a student at Colorado State. She works at CSU in building maintenance, and I met her while she was cleaning the bathroom. I'd been challenged for the last several days by speakers and seminars focused on living and sharing my faith in Christ. The moment I saw Tiffany, I discerned a special opportunity.

"Thank you so much for all of your work," I told her. She said that few people thank her, but she seemed content that I noticed. I left feeling pleased Tiffany knew I appreciated her, but my stomach instantly sank. I stalled at the drinking fountain with the suspicion I hadn't really shown as much love to the diligently working student as I could have. With hesitance, I retraced my steps. Not knowing what else to say, I told her about the main content of my conference (trusting in God) and asked what she thought.

"If you had asked me six months ago, I wouldn't have talked to you." I quickly learned that Tiffany had grown up as a Jehovah's Witness but had abandoned her beliefs a while ago. Recently, she had experienced several "mishaps" and saw a lot of answered prayers. She had been reconsidering believing in a god.

I thank the Lord that He didn't let me leave comfortably the first time. Even though I had weeks of preparation to better engage people with the truth and love of Jesus, it was daunting. The beauty was that my unwillingness didn't interfere. God provided me with the needed courage. Tiffany was able to talk through some of her thoughts and questions about knowing God, and she thanked me for coming back.

I eagerly anticipate round two of living in Tokyo and the plans God has to reveal Himself to Japanese students! Please pray for my final preparations and for my visa. I plan to leave for Japan on September 1st. Thank you!

In Christ,

Christina

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I hope you are well and experiencing God's grace. You may have heard recently that Campus Crusade for Christ is changing its name to Cru. We're excited about the name and the opportunities it offers to tell the world about Jesus. Many of our ministry partners have also shared their enthusiasm.

Unfortunately, you may have heard some misinformation in the media about the motivation behind the name change. Just in case these reports have caused any concern I want to let you know, first hand, what is true.

If, by chance you've wondered about what you've heard in the media let me share a few thoughts:

1. Campus Crusade for Christ is unswervingly committed to lifting up and proclaiming the name of Jesus. We were founded with a commitment to the centrality of the cross, the truth of the word, the power of the Holy Spirit and the global scope of the Great Commission. Nothing has changed.
2. The problematic words in the name were Campus and Crusade. The term "Campus" has not represented the full scope of our mission for many years. The word "Crusade" carries negative connotations that serve as barriers to connecting people with the heart of Jesus.
3. The majority of Christian missions organizations and most local churches do not have the name Jesus or Christ in their name. This doesn't lessen their devotion to Christ or their effectiveness.
4. Our mission remains the same: To help fulfill the Great Commission by winning, building and sending Christ-centered multiplying disciples and to give every person a chance to say YES to Jesus. It's the same mission that God gave to Bill and Vonette Bright in 1951. We believe that our new name will help us more effectively accomplish that mission.

You may be encouraged to hear what our [Vice President, Steve Sellers, had to say while appearing on Fox and Friends](#) recently. It's just one more way God has provided for us to lift up the name of Jesus.

Finally let me just say thanks for linking arms with us to lift up the name of Jesus. We thank God for you and pray for you. Because of you the gospel is being proclaimed and people are coming to Christ. Your partnership is appreciated more than you know.

If you have any questions or would like clarification we'd love talk. Drop us an email, give us a call or let us know a number where you can be reached. We welcome the chance to connect for a few minutes.