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Dearest Supporters,

It usually isn't easy to say goodbye, as I think we'd all agree. Certainly, seeing students at Cal State Fullerton and Santa Ana College for what could be the last time has been difficult. However, I have a sense of our work being done here, at least for now. I've been able to say my goodbyes with students, sometimes at a peaceful park and sometimes on a mini-adventure (like laser tag or a trip to the batting cages.) These were great ways to wrap up our times together after a busy semester!

All of the hard work paid off though. We had about 15 students come to our small group leaders' training session on May 9th. Our staff team and one of the students helped give practical training on evangelism and leading a Bible study. I'd like to tell you about one student to better illustrate my excitement about this:



Brie has been part of my small group this year. She started off dating a non-Christian guy, but continued praying about it and trying to please God. After a couple weeks, she ended it, agreeing that dating him was interfering in her relationship with the Lord. Shortly after that, we started hearing about roommates and friends who didn't know Christ, and how Brie was sharing her faith with them. She admitted at first that she struggled at times to speak up about Jesus. This semester, she's persevered and answered many fellow students' questions about God. Next semester, Brie will begin leading a small group Bible study of women. She will help them in their own processes of growing in Jesus!

I'm eager to see how the movement at Cal State Fullerton will flourish next year! My expectation is to only look on from afar, but I'm also excited to see what the Lord has in store for me. I'll receive my placement for future ministry at the end of June, during New Staff Training. Please continue to pray with me as I seek the Lord's will! I'm returning to some verses that led me to serve in Tokyo when I first graduated:

My son, do not forget my law, but let your heart keep my commands; for length of days and long life and peace they will add to you. Let not mercy and truth forsake you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart, and so find favor and high esteem in the sight of God and man. Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths. -Proverbs 3:1-6

Sincerely,

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