

Change Boston & Beyond

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Claire & Mae & the Plot Twist

Brian and I love watching students, especially new believers, as they read the bible – often for the first time. And so, you can imagine our delight, and share in it, when Claire told us about her Bible reading this week. “I’ve been reading the gospel of Matthew. And it’s all going well and is predictable. And then: PLOT TWIST: John the Baptist is BEHEADED! I didn’t see that coming!” It was so sweet and she was so sincere. Brian and I want to always read the bible with that kind of wonder. Don’t you?



Claire easily credits Mae with helping point her toward Jesus. “I always believed in God, and thought that I knew him, but I didn’t ever actually let him be the center of my life until now.”

The Gospel has transformed Claire. It has also transformed Mae who was beaming as Claire told us the John the Baptist story. Mae was the one who invited her teammate Claire to AIA.

Mae says, “I think I might have a purpose as a college athlete bigger than just being a student athlete.”

It was such a sweet discipleship moment to watch Mae share her bible with Claire and help her find the passage we were looking at in our AIA Bible Study each week. Claire kept coming back. Each week we talked about the gospel and things begin to click for Claire. During winter break, while home with family, Claire prayed and asked God to be the center of her life.

She told me, “I always believed in God, but I didn’t ever let him be the center of my life until now.”

Claire easily credits Mae with helping point her toward Jesus repeatedly. Not only is Mae encouraging and spurring on Claire, but Claire is also spurring on Mae to keep going in letting God use her to point more people on their team to Jesus.

Last night Claire and Mae brought two more girls from their team. These girls are unstoppable; God is using them to point many more towards the truths of the Gospel.

Thank you for being a part of what God is doing to draw women like Claire to himself. Thank you for being a part of what God is doing to help Mae take faith steps to share Gospel with teammates. We are so grateful for each one of you partnering with us for the Gospel.

Loving our adventurous Lord, *Brian & Malisa*

Would you pray:

- For Mae and Claire and others on their Track and Field team that the Gospel would take root
- To celebrate Claire’s new life in Christ
- For Mae as she nears graduation. My prayer is that she would be confident that the Lord is using her in big ways to point others towards himself.



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