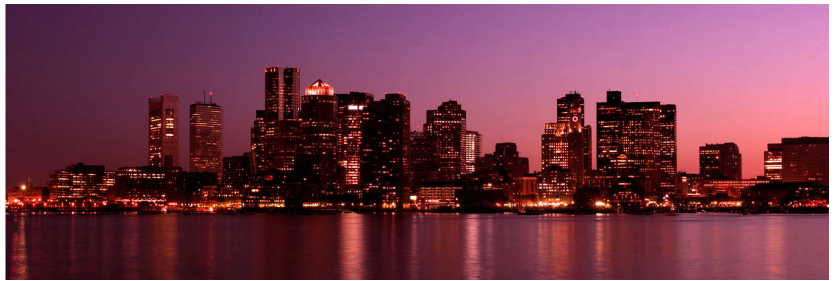


Change Boston



Glow in the Dark

Students at BU meet 5,000 freshmen and play Ultimate Frisbee at night

Malisa & Brian Ellis - Evesting God for 25,000 students in Boston.

I can't convey noise in a picture or with these words, but I want you to imagine this scene: you're in the middle of a football stadium. 5,000 freshmen are jostling for position as they look at all the different activities they can get involved with. And the noise. Oh the noise. The college radio station has huge speakers blaring to the right. To the left, the school marching band is performing. Chaos? How about cacophony!

It's in this scene that Malisa and I met the Boston University freshmen class on Monday. We were there with about a dozen of our student leaders to see who might be interested in talking about Jesus. And of course, we couldn't really talk much there. So we had students take a quick spiritual survey. In the next couple weeks, we will work to connect with the 200+ freshmen that said they're interested in hearing more. They all said "Yes, I'd like to talk to someone about how to have a relationship with Jesus Christ." It's exciting to think what God might do.

In addition to the surveys, we passed out glow sticks with a message: "Glow in the Dark Ultimate Frisbee, tonight, BU Beach, 9 p.m." It was a brainstorm idea that Malisa had: "At a school where our students leaders are mostly women, how do we get GUYS together to do something fun?" So we bought hundreds of glow sticks and prayed.

After dinner, Malisa and I rushed in traffic back to BU and arrived at the "BU Beach," the largest green space on the campus (maybe an acre - BU is in the heart of Boston). I taped the orange and green glow sticks to and started to play. 4 teams, always people playing and then others on the sideline for us to talk to.

I met a couple guys from Switzerland and France that I hope to see again on BBQ we are having on campus as a way to connect with more students. Malisa had great conversations with some freshmen girls she's meeting again on Thursday. One asked if she could hang out with us again because she had so much fun, even though she was an atheist.

We're excited that these first events at BU were high energy, that they put us in close proximity to non-Christians, that they were fun, and that our student leaders are excited to share the gospel. Today is the first day of class, and we are in full swing of meeting up with freshman. **Loving our Adventurous Lord, Brian and Malisa**



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Would you Pray

- For the 200+ students who're interested in hearing more about Jesus?
- For Maxime and Florine, my new international friends?
- For us as we dive head first into ministry that we would continue to grow in our relationship with the Lord and with each other?