



## Green Line- Boston

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### Gail's new confidence—Summer Project

**Gail has always struggled with a lack of confidence and self worth.** But, she says, it was “only because I wasn't finding my identity in Christ alone. I found my identity in how I performed in school, work, and relationships. Not only was I a “performer” but a perfectionist. This faulty identity resulted in constantly feeling frustrated with myself for always falling short. This summer, **God broke me of this identity** when He gave me the opportunity to lead project as a co-director. When the staff left and we took over our jobs,



Gail, student director of the Boston Summer Project

**I came into the position very aware of my faults and weaknesses.** On top of that, God continued to reveal to me more of my faults and weaknesses! But the true blessing in all of this was that I realized how God's grace covered everything that I lacked. It allowed me to see how much I needed Him. I realized that I could not lead just by my own strength. **I needed to allow Him to work** in me and give myself up to Him. Each day, I learned to become more dependent on the Lord. I started asking for His guidance when making decisions and asking and accepting His forgiveness when I made mistakes. I've been relying on who He created me to be (Ephesians 2: 1-10) not who I or others think I should be. I've been filled with His love so I can serve and love those around me, understanding what it really means to lead in Christ and be "light and salt of the earth" (Matthew 5:14-16).

**Now that project is over and a new** school year begins, I look forward to taking on the ministry God placed before me on my campus. I am ready to move forward with this new found confidence and self worth because it is He who gives my life purpose.”

It's letters like that from students that make me realize why I'm doing what I do. It also makes me realize how thankful I am for each of you. **I thank you so much** for your continued support. God Bless,



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#### **How to Pray**

For the 16 students on the Boston Summer Project as they return to campus—that they would continue to lead by depending on Jesus Christ.