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What Can Badgers Do For Haiti?

Help. That is what Badgers can do. This past Saturday we hosted "Badgers Helping Haiti" as an effort to do our part to provide relief for those suffering in Haiti.

Teams of students in our ministry got behind this effort headed by the "Outreach" team and the "Community" team.

These students gave of their time and energy and raised funds and supplies to make relief kits for Haiti.

Currently in Haiti the death toll is rising due to disease, sickness, and infection. In fact, news reports are saying that outbreak of disease could possibly kill more people than the actual destruction caused by the massive earthquake itself.

Because of this we put together 600 hygiene kits. While 600 hygiene kits is just a drop in the bucket in Haiti, 600 hundred kits will bring some welcome relief to 600 people (and their families.) 600 hundred people will be able to wash their hands and clothes and hair and fight against disease and infection. And quite simply 600 kits is at least a drop in the bucket... and many drops will fill the bucket.

If you would like to send some kits either personally or as a church you can get details here: <http://www.gainusa.org>. Something that was impacting was the amount of work that goes into a relief effort like this. One of our key student leaders found me afterward and said, "I have so much more appreciation for the work that is required."

Praise God with me that UW-Madison students took seriously the call to help the poor and the needy. May God be glorified. May Haitians experience a measure of physical relief and spiritual healing as well.

We thank God for your investment in this ministry. Thanks for being a part of making stories like this possible!

Sometimes we only highlight the end of the story. So today I want to share with you a beginning.

Last night I got a text from one of the guys in my Bible study that said, "I just shared the gospel with somebody from my Spanish class! Pray for Trevor*!" Bryon came up to me in the middle of fall semester and asked if he would be able to start coming to my Bible study. As this study is for leaders in the movement, I told him he could as long as he chose to invest some of his time leading in another area of campus. He began to help out leading a Bible study and sharing his faith in another dorm.

What I like about this most recent story is the

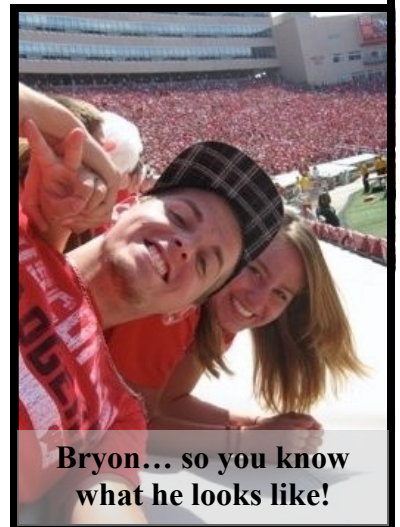
spontaneity of it. As Bryon was walking home from a study session with Trevor he decided to ask some questions to see if they opened a door for him to share the

gospel. And they did! Bryon shared his story of what God has done in his life and then shared a basic message of salvation with Trevor.

Pray with Bryon and I that there would be follow-up conversations and that Trevor would come to know Jesus as his Savior. Pray that we would all have the courage to have conversations like this!



Packing kits for Haiti!



Bryon... so you know what he looks like!