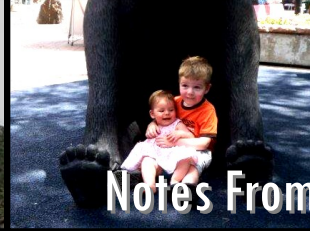


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Notes From Dan and DeAnn!

Kicking Off the Semester!!!

This time of the year always comes with great anticipation and excitement as well as an increased awareness of the need for God to work in supernatural ways. Thousands of college freshmen will be walking on campus and making decisions that impact their lives for eternity. They make many of these decisions within the first weeks of the year. This is why our schedule is full of events designed to allow us to interact with as many freshmen as possible. The following is the list of major events. Please pray!

- **Sept 1:** Surveys outside the freshman convocation. We do around 3000 surveys in about an hour!
- **Sept 1:** Outreach tailgate party before first UW football game
- **Sept 2:** MOB (Mansion Of Brothers) house party to connect freshmen with the group.
- **Sept 2:** New Student Welcome Picnic at UW-Platteville to do surveys.
- **Sept 3:** Grill out and volleyball in the park for returning students.
- **Sept 4:** Bookstore event to do more surveys.
- **(Sept 1-9th:** Spiritual interest surveys being done at different points all over campus.)
- **Week of Sept 5:** Bible studies start in the dorms.
- **Sept 7th:** First Primetime, our weekly meeting.
- **Sept 16-17th:** Men's and Women's overnights.
- **Sept 23:** Community outreach for freshmen.
- **Oct 7-9th:** Fall Getaway (Our fall retreat. Every year students come to Christ at this event.)
- **Oct 14-16th:** Dan speaks at a fall retreat for the University of Mankato in Minnesota.

This ends the first big push on campus. During this time the major focus is getting contacts via surveys and then following up with those students and sharing the Gospel with them. Our student leaders have a goal of sharing the Gospel with 15 freshmen each. Staff have a goal of 50 evangelistic conversations each by the end of the first six weeks. The first six weeks is the most strategic time to reach freshmen and the goal we have helps us use that time well. The goal is important but even if it means not reaching the goal we count each student as more important than a number.

So please **pray** that God would open student's hearts to the Gospel. **Pray** that as a movement we would all be courageous and share our faith many times over these first six weeks. **Pray** that we would see many students come to faith and walk with Jesus in college and after! **Pray** also for the many Christian students that come to UW-Madison. It is essential that they would get involved in good Christian community right away. Pray they would walk with Jesus from day one while in college.

