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Notes From Dan and DeAnn!

Flavor of the Season...

Do different seasons in life have different flavors? I think so. And in ministry it is the same. This last semester of ministry had a very unique and unexpected flavor. But one that the Lord mixed up for us!

This year has felt very international. The beginning of the fall semester saw a ton of students from all over the world coming to our meetings, joining Bible studies, and even asking Jesus to be their Savior (like David who I wrote about a couple months ago). I thought that flavor would change to something else by now. But I couldn't be more wrong. The Lord is using the ministry at UW-Madison to reach the world and it is fun to be a part of it! (While this is from end of last semester I feel it tells the story of the flavor of the year.)

Three guys I work with went on a ministry trip with our organization to East Asia over Thanksgiving break. In the midst of some difficult situations they used Thanksgiving parties as an easy way to bridge to the gospel. I wanted to let one of the guys, Chris, tell you some of what the Lord did while they were there:

(From Chris.) During the first Thanksgiving party on one campus, I was able to walk through the gospel with a student that had never heard of Jesus before. From the moment he walked into the party, we had a special connection—he was by my side the entire night. He didn't have an English name, and I got to give him the name Noah. After I shared my testimony and the gospel with him, Noah made a decision to give his life to Jesus and enter into a relationship with him!

Here is an email that I received from Noah that night:

Dear Chris,

We have make the name of Noah , it sounds great, isn't it? I am so happy to talk to you about the thanks-giving day and the God's love, I love the prayer's feeling with you, it is holy and full of love, thank you my friend. So tomorrow is the Festive of Thanksgiving day, and the eve is so important to me, because I have meet a so sincere man to belief, and have made friend with him. One of my wish to you is be happy ~

God is Alive and Well :-)Yours, Noah

Then the following night at another Thanksgiving party another student, with the same English name as me, made a decision to follow Jesus. The next day when I met up with him he told me that after he left the party, he went home and called his girlfriend and told her about Jesus. The joy on his face and excitement in his eyes was so encouraging to see. He said over and over to me, "You are now my brother because we are brothers in Christ."



The Madison team on their ministry trip over Thanksgiving!

In all the team had many spiritual conversations and saw 11 East Asian students give their lives to Jesus! Praise the Lord and thank you for being involved in sending our students to the world!