

Spring is Comin'!



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Faith Matters to Shaun

This winter I have been working with some other Dartmouth staff members (one in Religious & Spiritual Life, two in Residential Life) on a series of faculty-led dinner discussions that we've titled "Faith Matters". These discussions are multi-faith and held in one of the residence halls. We've been tackling topics like, "How does faith relate to gender?" and "How does faith relate to politics?"

I have really been enjoying these discussions because they've gotten me into conversations with a wide range of students whose religious convictions are far from a typical Christian one.

One of the new people I've met, and my favorite, is a guy named Shaun (well, that's not really his name). Shaun is a junior at Dartmouth, and one of the most

genuinely spiritually curious people I've ever met.

He is an atheist with a Buddhist bent, a vocal homosexual, and a man with a history of hurt with Christianity. And yet his desire to seek God is obvious from even a casual conversation with him.

Shaun wrote to me, "I think I spend an inordinate amount of time thinking about spirituality. Or at the very least, how the mundane world that I operate in relates to the transcendent, if that exists."

Please pray that God would open doors for the gospel in Shaun's life, both through me and through other Christians that he's friends with. It is such a privilege to get a glimpse of God wooing someone to Himself.

Prayer Requests

Our trip to Mexico City!

I am co-leading a trip back to Mexico City for our Spring Break this year (March 15-25)! If you remember, this past summer I co-led a trip there as well, focusing on sharing the gospel with university students at the largest and best university in Latin America. We are taking a team of 8 people back to that school to do a similar thing, in a different section of the campus.

We'll be doing mostly relational evangelism; meeting students and engaging with them about their spiritual beliefs. We'll be connecting students we meet there with other students on campus who are Christians or spiritual-seekers.

Fundraising!

I recently found out that, because of increased medical benefits, some partners not being able to continue to give, and just a general increase in living expenses, I need to raise an additional \$1800 in monthly support, *by July!* Yikes! Though this number seems really huge to me, what better way for God to show that He's done something than when it looks impossible, huh?

I will be taking some time each week between now and the end of the school year to work on fundraising, and would love your prayers that I would be courageous, that I'd trust God, and that He'd burden people's hearts to partner with me.

