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Native Americans at Dartmouth

One thing that you may not know about Dartmouth's history is that it was founded in 1789 to reach the neighboring Native American tribes with the gospel! What a history! Obviously it has strayed from its original purpose, but in the last 30 or so years, Dartmouth has renewed its commitment to Native American education.

There are about 200 students at Dartmouth of Native American descent, from tribes all across the country, and our Campus Crusade group has five native students who are ac-

tively involved.

Dailan '07 lives on the Navajo reservation in the Southwest, and while his dad is a pastor, he grew up knowing only 3 other Christians—his dad, his mom, and his sister. He has experienced consistent ridicule and ostracism for being a Christian, as Christianity is viewed as a "sell-out, whiteman's religion", and the source of the persecution of the Navajo people.

Schuyler '09, in contrast, is from the Tuscarora tribe, near Buffalo, NY. His tribe was significantly Christianized when they were relocated to

North Carolina for awhile, and all of his tribe's chiefs in the last decades have been baptized Christians. It has been a very difficult transition for Schuyler to come to Dartmouth and meet with the criticism and harassment from other Natives for his being a Christian.



Please pray for the Native American students at Dartmouth!

- For the Christian Natives, that God would give them courage to face persecution from other Native students, and passion to share the gospel with their friends
- For the Native students, that hearts that are hard to the gospel would be softened, and that many students would be won to the Savior

Heading off to Israel!

Tomorrow, I, along with 10 of my Dartmouth friends, am heading off to Israel! We are going to be in the country for 10 days, and I can't tell you how excited I am! As you might know, I'm Jewish, and I



have wanted to go to Israel for as long as I can remember, long before I became a Christian. Now, of course, the country holds an even deeper significance for me, and I'm anticipating that being there will feel like coming home in many ways.

We are flying into Tel Aviv-Yafo (Yafo, by the way, is from the same Hebrew word yaphch as my last name, Jaffee, is from! It means beautiful), traveling south through Tiberius, the Galilee region, and into Jerusalem. We'll spend most of the trip around Jerusalem, visiting not only the city, but surrounding areas, too, like the Dead Sea.

The purpose of our trip is three-fold:

- To visit many Biblical sites and know Jesus better through having been where He was
- 2. To encourage congregations of Messianic Jews (Jews, like me, who believe in Jesus as their Messiah) throughout the country
- Meet Israelis and talk with them about their lives, experiences, and spiritual beliefs whenever possible. To be a blessing to them.

Please pray that God would keep us safe, that He'd change us, and that He would use us to share the love and mercy of Yeshua (Jesus) with His people.