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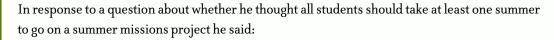
## Dear Friends,

Happy 2011! We have been busy since the beginning of the year. The first week of the new year we helped host a conference for college students from New England and New York, then tried to catch up with students at Dartmouth already in their second week of class, and this week we're practicing being parents by watching our pastor's four kids so he could take his wife to Paris to celebrate 20 years of marriage!

We want to start our year with you by broadening your picture of Campus Crusade at Dartmouth. We are one of 90 college campuses where Campus Crusade has a presence in New England and New York – the "Liberty Region". Interestingly, we recently adopted this name for two reasons – the first being that New England played a key role in the independence of the United States from England, but also because we wanted our name to reflect our desire to see college students in this region know the Liberty from sin that can be found in Christ Jesus. Our region is also part of a broader network of college campuses, having partnerships (where we actively seek to send staff and students as missionaries) with five international cities around the world: Istanbul, Turkey; Milan, Italy; Buenos Aires, Argentina; Johannesburg, South Africa; and a large city in eastern Asia.

We had the opportunity to hear about East Asia from Garry, a student at a different northeast campus, while at our conference. Here's what he had to share about his experience on a missions project in our East Asian partner city last summer:

It was an awesome summer just set apart to God. I got to see God do amazing things in my life and amazing things in the lives of the other people who were on the project, and it was just an awesome community. We challenged each other, sharpened each other, and got to grow together. We got to see 20 people come to Christ and a lot of them had never even heard to gospel before. It was just awesome.





Yeah, 100%... It was amazing to see all that I got out of summer project, [and] all that we were able to give while we were there ... to really spread the gospel and allow people to know Jesus for the first time... It's definitely my hope and prayer that everyone that's involved with Crusade would get at least one summer just given over to God to go on Summer Project.

In light of family, financial, and job market challenges today, it can be scary for students to take an opportunity that doesn't seem to promote their career and limits their time with family. However, we really see God do amazing things in and through the lives of those who are willing to trust Him with these and other obstacles. Please pray with us, and Garry, that the students of Dartmouth and the Liberty Region would set apart a summer for God and reap the fruit of taking such a step of faith.

With love in Christ,