

An update from Faye  
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CAMPUS CRUSADE FOR CHRIST AT DARTMOUTH

# Startin' Up Again

## Got 30 Seconds?

Tomorrow is the first day of school. Ahhhh!!! We've been in high-gear the past few weeks trying to get ready for the fall to start. This past week we did our annual fall survey of the freshman class. We call it "Got 30 Seconds?" and it's a really short survey on what their spiritual interests are. We use this survey not only to get a feel for where the freshman class is coming from, but to find out who is potentially interested getting involved with our group or talking further about spiritual things. We got a great response: 629 people (85% freshmen) took our survey (more than half of the class of 2009), and more than half are interested in something that we have to offer. We're really excited. We had a drawing for free pizzas as an incentive for people to take the survey, and tonight we're going to deliver gift certificates for those free pizzas. Freshman outreach has begun.

### 1 What is your religious/spiritual background?

What answers did we get?

29.5% Protestant  
24% Catholic  
13% None  
9% Jewish

### 3 Would you be interested in talking with someone from Christian Impact at some point about what it means to know God personally?

52 people said that they definitely would like to talk with someone about knowing God personally, and 240 said that they might be. This is just awesome. These will be the first people that we'll try to meet with. We'll be going by these students' dorm rooms and setting up meals with them. The directness of the question gives us an inroad to talk about who Jesus is right away. As I follow up these surveys, I take upperclassmen involved with our group with me so they can learn how to talk with other students about these topics.

### 2 How strongly do you desire to develop/explore the spiritual aspect of your life?

The average response from the 629 students surveyed was 3.04 on a scale from 1 to 5 (5 being a really strong desire). My sense from talking with students is that desire for spiritual exploration/development decreases during their time at Dartmouth, so we're trying to catch the students early!

### 4 Would you be interested in attending a discussion group in your dorm investigating spiritual questions? Would you be interested in helping to lead one of these groups?

74 students said that they're interested in helping to get one of these discussion groups started. Woo hoo! All last year we were trying to get some of these groups started on campus, but because of a lack of student initiative and a lack of staff, we couldn't get them off the ground. This year we're starting with 74 students who want to help us kick them off. Many of these students are not Christians, so these groups are sure to be interesting!

To make Jesus known,  
*Faye*

## Prayer Requests

- That God will bring many new freshmen (and upperclassmen) to be involved with our group. We're asking for 40 people to be involved by the end of the fall.
- That our current students would passionately seek to get to know the freshmen class.
- That God would sustain Chris and me, as we're the only staff full-time on campus this fall.
- That our staff and student leaders would long for God above all else and only seek to be satisfied in Christ.