

An update from Faye

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Four of our freshmen at a Friday Night Dinner/ Discussion (from left to right): Chris, Schuyler, Erin and Jennifer.

Lauren Came to Christ Last Week!

Do you remember Jennifer* and Andrew* whom I introduced you to last month? Well, two weeks ago a friend from their dorm, Lauren*, asked Christ to be her Savior!

Lauren had gone to church a little bit before now, but nothing had made much sense to her or really connected with her life. She met Jennifer, Andrew, and Erin* (another freshman who is in my Bible study) during the first week of school, and soon decided that she thought Andrew was a stud (he is, of course). So she started hanging out with these three Christians, specifically to get to know Andrew better :).

Well, over the next couple of months, Jennifer and Andrew started talking with Lau-

ren about who Jesus has become in their lives, and Lauren started to see that their understanding of Christianity was vastly different from her own.

They talked of a God who wanted to have a personal relationship with the people He created and about how the brokenness and sin of people has created a breach in the relationship God designed us to have with Him.

And they told her about how their own investigations of the Bible had led them to the conclusion that Jesus could restore our broken relationship with God.

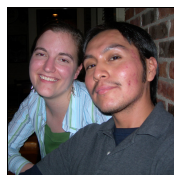
Lauren really wrestled with this, especially with the concept of sin. It is counter-cultural and uncomfortable to say that there is a fundamental problem with people, and that it is so bad that it totally separates us from our God. I found this even this past week in talking with one of my cousins

about the work that I do at Dartmouth. "Don't you think that's really pessimistic?", he challenged.

For Lauren, though, she found that she couldn't resist the mercy God has shown through Jesus, mercy and freedom to be fully accepted by God. Two weeks ago she asked Jesus to be the one to make her relationship with God whole again.

This is why I'm at Dartmouth! Students whose lives have been changed by Jesus are telling other students about it. Incredible. I can't tell you how thrilled I am about Lauren choosing to let Jesus into her life. She is coming to my Bible study now, and we're going to be meeting together when we get back from Christmas break.

**I've decided to change the names of some of the students I write to you about so to be able to tell you honestly about them and still protect their privacy.*



Thank You, God, For:

- Lauren coming to faith!
- Patrick and Naomi developing a burden to build into younger students and reach out to those who don't know Jesus.
- The great working relationship that our staff team is developing with one another.
- Ankit, Elizabeth and Arran who have been seriously investigating the claims of Christ.
- The eight freshmen who have become actively involved with our group and the enthusiasm in their relationship with God that they have brought to Campus Crusade here.
- All the partners He has raised up to pray and give so we can minister at Dartmouth.
- Noah Riner ('06)'s convocation speech that shared the gospel with the entire freshman class.
- Our upperclassmen who are finally starting to get a taste for living their lives in such a way that they'll impact the world for eternity and not just for this life.
- The partnerships we've been forming with ethnically-focused Christian groups on campus and the heart they're beginning to have for reaching out to students who aren't Christians.

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