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## the Good News

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## A Page of Prayer Requests ... The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective (James 5:16).

There are too many significant things happening this month in ministry here to just update you on just one. Please join with us in praying that God would change lives and hearts across Dartmouth's campus. We'd like to ask you to be praying for...

- SPRING BREAK (MAR 15-25)... Like last year, a team of staff and students from Dartmouth are heading down to Panama City Beach to spend Spring Break at a Campus Crusade evangelism conference. *Unlike* last year, we will not be going with them (though many of the students have tried to convince us that babies can be born in Florida just as well as in New Hampshire!). Please be praying for our teammates and the 12 students they are taking as they learn from the Word, meet other Christian college students, are trained in how to winsomely talk with others about Christ, and spend their afternoons engaging in spiritual conversations on the beach with other spring breakers. Pray that God would open the hearts of students in Panama City Beach and that many, *Christian and non-Christian*, would take steps closer to Jesus. You can learn more about the effort they'll be a part of at <a href="http://big-break.com/">http://big-break.com/</a>.
- WOMEN'S MINISTRY TRANSITION... Because Faye has been the only female staff person on campus full—time these past few years, and she will be largely on maternity leave for the spring, we have been working hard to identify female students in our ministry who are willing to invest in others, and equip them to do so. This winter Faye and Kaylene, a mom who works with us part—time, have been training seven women in how to lead Bible studies, disciple others, and share their faith. Please be praying for these seven women, and hopefully others, who will be taking the lead in reaching out to other Christian and non—Christian women this spring. Pray for Faye, too... Though it's good and necessary, it's also hard for her to be stepping back from having the primary role in seeking the lost and shepherding women in our ministry.
- ARIELLE... Last month we wrote to you about our efforts on campus to bring the gospel to every student, and a particular student, Arielle, who has been helping us to reach out to the African American community. This month we are so thrilled to tell you that Arielle has been accepted to stay with us next year, as an intern on our staff team, to devote her energy full-time toward reaching these students with us. We are so excited that she's taken this step of faith! Please pray with us that God would continue to confirm for her that this is the path He has for her to walk down, and that He'd raise up the financial support she will need.
- MICHELLE... Another student we'd especially like to ask you to pray for is Michelle. She is also a senior, and this year, for the first time, has developed a great interest in spiritual things in general. In the fall Jacob, one of our students, figured this out through conversations with her, and started reading the Bible with her to help her explore who Jesus is. As Jacob had an off-campus internship this winter, he introduced her to Faye, and Michelle has been attending one of Faye's Bible studies all term. Michelle, quite evidently, has a soft heart to the gospel, and it's been beautiful to watch her grapple with the Person of Jesus and the implications the gospel might have for her life. Please pray that God would overcome the barriers that she has to Him, and that Michelle would courageously place her trust in Christ to save her.



Last month we were able to get away to the Maine coast for a couple of days to enjoy a little bit of time together before our family adds a third member. Here Faye is about 33 weeks pregnant.

• BABY GILLESPIE AND US... Lastly, we'd like to ask you to be praying for us and our baby this month. He is due in less than three weeks... Hard to believe! Please pray that labor and delivery would go smoothly and safely, that he and Faye would be healthy, and that we would enjoy this transition to parenthood and not worry too much! Please pray, too, that God would provide all that we need financially and materially to be ready for him.

For His Kingdom, Jaye &