

ALOHA KE AKUA

"GOD IS LOVE" – Changed Lives
September 2015

Friday, September 18, 2015 - I got a text late Thursday night asking if I could switch my car situation around to drive students up to Camp Homelani. I didn't know a few of the women in my car but was excited to get to know them on the way up. As we started driving up towards the North Shore, we started to share a little bit of our stories and what we were excited about for the upcoming weekend. Brittany briefly shared how she decided Thursday afternoon to come to our annual Fall Getaway and that she isn't very religious but has been curious about God and finding peace in him. She had mentioned that she is really looking forward to being at Fall Getaway to learn and explore more because she doesn't have much experience or background. My ears perked at that moment and I started to pray in my head for Brittany and that God would really meet her this weekend and that he would move her towards him! When arrived at camp, I told her that I was really excited she was here and if she wanted to talk at all throughout the weekend to ask questions or clarify things she was hearing, to not hesitate and just ask.

Saturday, September 19, 2015 - During free time Saturday afternoon, we all went into Haleiwa to check out the town and I had intentionally asked Brittany to hang out with me and a couple other students. It was fun getting to know her more and to get to hear more of her story and I was feeling the Spirit prompting me to share the gospel with her. Although there wasn't much opportunity to get too deep, when we got back to the retreat site, I mentioned to her that I wanted to share something with her later that night, so that I actually would.

That evening, after the message, we entered into a time of prayer and worship and it was then I felt the Spirit prompting me to ask if I would pray for her. As I was praying for her, we both began to cry. She shared how this weekend was the first time ever in her life where she has felt peace and even in not knowing anyone, has felt the most known. There was a freedom to share and not feel judged and because of that, there was a greater sense of the Lord at work. I kept wrestling with how to share the gospel with her and as I went back and forth, I kept thinking how I didn't want to miss giving her the opportunity to enter into a relationship with Jesus because he loves her so much. We talked about that and in the end, her words were, "I want it." We celebrated and I got to share that this was her new spiritual birthday. I can't begin to describe the feelings of joy that entered my heart and how at that point, nothing else mattered than seeing a life changed for eternity!

Please continue to pray for Brittany and more stories like this! There is hunger in this girl's heart and we set time to meet every Monday to study and grow in the Word together! I am reminded that this is the greatest thing ever, to be a part of someone's spiritual journey and eternity. I am grateful for each of you, not only being a part of this as well with me, but for the part you have played in my own spiritual growth!



I can honestly say that this weekend changed my life. This weekend I went on a fall getaway with a group called Cru. They were the most amazing, welcoming people I have ever met. I was able to open up and be completely vulnerable to these people who I didn't even know, yet feel so secure and know that no judgement was being passed. September 20th is my spiritual birthday and I am so excited for my journey in building a relationship with God.



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