Can you guess what restaurant chain we are in?*





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The past two weeks I have been all over New England meeting with our team leaders. Here I am in *Panera with Jarrod who leads at Brown, Greg who leads our Gospel in Action initiatives, and Cole who is leading our new Expedition Team. They are all based in Providence, RI.

I cannot help but tell you the privilege it is to serve alongside these men and the other women and men leaders in New England. They are not serving with Cru because it is a great career move, is an easy way to provide for their families, or makes their parents proud. They are here because God has captured their hearts, their very lives, with His love and grace. They are gripped by God's heart for the world to know Him and be with Him forever.

In homes all over the U.S. students are preparing to head off to college. Our teams are busily preparing to meet these students. Please pray for our team leaders as they lead their teams and student leaders in the important work of prayer, planning, and outreach. They need much wisdom and discernment. Student leaders need time, courage, unity, a heart for the younger students (and not just their current group of friends). Please pray for an openness among this year's freshmen class.

Please pray for me as I lead, support, and encourage these amazing men and women leaders. Mike, my co-leader, has been led by God to take a different role in Cru beginning September 1. Thankfully, we will still be collaborators, so I am not losing him as a colleague. It does mean until his replacement is found, I will be leading the New England cohort by myself. At first, the thought of this produced much fear. As I sought the Lord in it, He reminded me of His leading me to this very place. God is happy to stretch us, so we lean on Him and He get's the glory. I can live with that.

It is so wonderful to share with you and invite you to pray for me, for us. Really, I could not be here if it were not for your prayers, encouragement, and financial support.

Grateful,

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