January 18, 2018

Dear Friends,

Tomorrow and Saturday Mike Bost and I will be on a fun road trip to Maine. During these two days we'll have a coaching time with the team leaders and then join the staff and student leaders for their planning retreat.

I love that one of my key responsibilities is working with Mike on coaching the New England team leaders. We do this coaching monthly, mostly over a video call. Each month has its own focus for the call. Of course, we also leave time for them to bring up any questions or challenges they are facing. This month we have been focusing on the details of each of the movements their team is leading. In my notes from these coaching calls I have been making a list of items to pray for. We haven't talked to all the leaders this month yet, but I'd like to share a few key items with you so you can get a sense of what's going on and pray, too.

University of New Hampshire:

- How we get in touch with students is a big question as individuals have different preferences for how they communicate: Text, Instagram, Email, Facebook... Need to have more students committed to communicate for the group through various social media avenues so people know what's going on.
- International Cafe (that's what we call our international student ministry at UNH) How do
 we help students take the next step in involvement / leadership? There is a big gap between
 the couple of student leaders and the next level of involvement.

Harvard:

- Desire to get some of the first and second year students to go to the two week summer mission called Boston Echo. The sign up for that is in January and February.
- Want to see the number of students leading other students multiply.

MIT:

 Will be graduating a lot of the Life Group Leaders so there is a need to align and equip new students to lead these small groups.

UConn, Avery Point:

We have four volunteers and two alumni that are working together to start a campus ministry.
 Their next step is to network through the churches to meet students; we need five students to become an official group on campus.

Brown:

- Why aren't the men meeting to study the Bible and pray? What can we do about it?

For me:

- You can always pray that I will abide in Christ, have wisdom, love my people, and bear fruit.

Thank you for your prayers, encouragement, and financial gifts. God is at work.

Because God loves,





Chris on the Left and Kim on the right lead the team that are working at Harvard and MIT Jarrod (left below) leads the team at Brown and Scott (right below) leads the team at the University of Connecticut

