

MAY 13, 2022

Dear Friends,

I've just finished the last of my official leadership connections with the team leaders for this school year. As part of a culminating conversation, I asked each of them, "Overall, how would you describe your experience working in your role during this past year?"

Perhaps this is a good time for me to pause and answer that question myself. Stretched, challenged and dependent upon God are good descriptors as today's campus scene requires leadership in new ways.

Blessed and encouraged by the team leaders; their faith, love for God and students, and perseverance through personal and ministry challenges. With the work we are doing being the very work of God's Great Commission, I can expect it to be easy. But it isn't.

Sometimes I felt lost and lonely in the midst of the challenges and opportunities before us as I continue to lead without a co-leader.

Encouraged, humbled, and called to continue as the New England Local Mission Director as my executive director and team leaders gave me unsolicited positive feedback. Do you remember 5 years ago Cru's reorganization? When I took this role then, I thought I'd be in it for 3-5 years. Here I am at 5 years, but the Lord is not leading me on to a new role yet.



With the New England Team Leaders in April



Left - 4 students were baptized at church a few weeks ago. Andrew the team leader on their campus invited me to go. Such a joyous occasion.

Hi Liz,
Thanks again for all your work in preparing and leading the TL time! It seemed like a special time in many ways - good discussion in general, devos, Crawford's discussions, no pressured decisions - but good thoughts and general direction, prayer times, great facility for what we needed, and good interaction with others among other things. I think your humility in leading the time and expressed dependency on the Lord were very apparent. I sensed the Lord's leading ...
Tim

Please pray for me as I pray, evaluate, and plan for next year. I'm also preparing for helping coach some new staff in the course *Bible Study Methods* in Orlando.

How can I pray for you?

Friends, thanks for your part of the hard, faith needed work that we are in together as we take the great news of God's love, truth, grace and forgiveness to people who don't yet know the amazing abundant and eternal life it brings.

Grateful,

