

JULY 13, 2022

Dear Friends,

Have you ever been here? Tonight the Legacy Track of Cru 22 begins and Saturday the US Cru Staff conference will start. The Legacy Track is an optional part of the conference for staff who are 60+ years old. In addition to a great speaker they have some practical input for us related to healthcare, retirement, a "red folder", and more. I'd asked an older staff friend who said it's definitely worth coming to at least once. So here I am. I still am shocked that I'm 61 and not 51 or some other lesser age. Do you feel that way, too?

If I come to mind, please pray for me and for Cru over the next 10 days. May God do a great work in our midst for His glory. Thank you.



The Bible Study Methods Group Back Row - Scott, Robert, Bonnie, Nick, me Front Row - Hannah, Tara, Catherine Nick and Bonnie are serving in New England: Maine/Connecticut

One participant commented partway through the class about how her confidence in studying God's Word was growing. As she prepared small groups in the past she'd usually google the passage to see what others had to say about it and go from there. Now she knows in the epistles at least, how to not only discover what God is saying, but also how to ask questions to help others discover it too. Of course, she is still learning and figuring it out - but she has the tools to be able to do that. This is my 3rd time as a coach and I'm still learning. Her comment is a glimpse into the importance though of the course and the rest of the Institute of Biblical Studies (IBS). Over the time of the course, I could see the students progressing. I imagine I drove a few of them crazy with my many comments on their work, but it paid off. Their final projects were very good.

I'm grateful to all those who prayed for my back and safe travel to Orlando and back to MA. All went well. My visits with friends along the way were fun and a wonderful encouragement.

I'm so grateful to you. I was thinking today about how people's prayers and generosity make such a difference in me being able to stay focused on the work God has for me. Thank you.

Because of God's call, Liz