

September 16, 2016



Dear Friends,

I'm flying back from our Leadership Development National Meetings held in Los Angeles this week. The highlight of the trip was the couple hours a few of us spent walking, talking, and taking in the beauty of Laguna Beach. It's always great to talk to my peers about so many things related to our roles that never make it on the meeting agendas. To be able to do it surrounded by such beauty was good for my heart and my soul.

Another helpful part of the trip was a breakfast coaching meeting with my executive directors. Usually the 3 of us meet monthly with our directors via a video call; it was great to meet in person this month. Over breakfast we each shared our priorities for the year.

You won't be surprised to hear me say New York City is one of my priorities. My focus this year is related to helping the new people transition well to have a successful ministry in the city. Right now a specific need for the New York City priority is that I will choose the right person to connect with people as they move to the city.

My second key priority is related to leading my team well. It's a great group of people who all have specialized roles. They need me to keep the big picture in front of them, help them solve problems, and equip them to implement our national and regional priorities as it relates to their specialties. My team and I provide everything needed on the people side of the structure for Cru. Without us there wouldn't be staff on campus talking with students and faculty about Christ. Our effectiveness matters.

So please pray for my walk with God; that I will lead them spiritually with a servant's heart. Pray I can keep us focused on the right priorities and not get caught up in the whirlwind of work. There is always so much to do. Pray for wisdom as we tackle problems or navigate sensitive situations.

Thank you so much. My life and ministry are richer because of you.

Grateful,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Liz".

