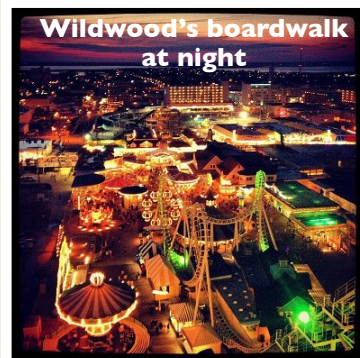




The Lamb Family

CRU MISSIONARIES AT BUFFALO | JULY 2012

"In 17 days I will be boarding a plane with 156 strangers, arriving at a house in New Jersey to live with 67 fellow college student strangers, and being mentored by about 20 CRU staff strangers, only to get a job with strangers and talk to strangers all summer long."
Miranda Cazares, San Diego State University



Many students may have had this same perspective coming into our summer project in Wildwood, New Jersey. And come they did! From Arkansas, to Maine, from New York to California, our students came from all over the country. While they did begin as strangers, God has already done amazing things in and through each of our 60 students since arriving on June 6th.

We have seen **deep community** happen. In our teams of 3 to 5 students, we have seen students pour grace and truth into each others' lives. We have seen them walk alongside each other as they journey to surrendering their whole lives: past, present and future to God.

We have seen **evangelism** happen. Our students have been building relationships with their coworkers, sharing their faith on the boardwalk, and hosting numerous outreaches for the city of Wildwood. God is responding to these students' steps of faith and showing up in BIG ways. Below is one of the many examples from our summer from *Katie Driver, a student at Ball State University, in Indiana:*

I met Elaine one morning at work while we were opening up the Games on the Pier in Wildwood. I invited her to our International Cafe, where we give international students free internet access to check their emails, feed them food and try to get to know them better.

One Thursday night, near the end of International Cafe, Elaine came by the house and sat down to talk with us. We were talking with several students when she piped up and asked me, "Do you like to talk about God?" I told her that I loved to talk about God and asked if she knew much about him. Elaine started to tell me how she used to believe in God but she didn't anymore. Being from China, she had no prior knowledge of God, but she explained that when she was young, her mother got sick and that she prayed that God would heal her. She believed that God healed her mother.

When she got to University, though, her professors taught her about science and explicitly told her that God didn't exist so she no longer believed in God. It was amazing to me, though, that having never heard of the true God, He had placed in her a desire to know Him and to believe in Him.

So, I walked through the Gospel booklet with her. By the time we got to the end, Elaine was ecstatic! She was just amazed at how a perfect God could love us and was so happy to hear about Jesus' sacrifice. When we got to the page of the book that has the prayer on it, she read it and said she agreed with it and wanted to ask God into her life. Then and there, she gave her life to Christ!

As of now, Elaine and I are beginning to walk through some Follow Ups for new Christians. We're going to begin a Bible Study through the Gospel of John and I'm really excited to really begin this journey with her. Please continue to pray for her as she grows in her faith and that He will strengthen her through the trials of new Christianity.



JENN'S DISCIPLESHIP GROUP

Miranda- San Diego State, Alexa- Ball State, Jenn with Pete, Liz- Bowling Green, Becca- Ball State, Lizzy- Boston University, and Jenn's co-leader Megan



KEVIN'S DISCIPLESHIP GROUP
Taylor- University of Buffalo, Kyle- Ball State, Kevin, Riley- Ball State

Prayer Requests

Pray for us as we begin planning for the start of the school year.

Pray that we can connect with key freshman students as we attend student orientations at UB twice a week until school starts.

THANK YOU!