

The Harvester

I am the way and the truth and
the life. No one comes to the
Father except through me.
- Jesus

Lifelines, March 2013



Praying with purpose

April For our dedication and
effort in support raising

April 8-12 For our Team Leader
conference - That we would
be renewed and directed by
the Lord

April 19-21 For Dan and the staff and
students joining him on the
northeast Lifelines men's
weekend

April 29-30 For my co-worker Steph
and I as we scout
opportunities for kayaking
trips in Boston harbor to
reach some of the 250,000
college students in the city

Who do you say I am?

This question that Jesus posed to his disciples in Matthew 16:15 is the same question we must answer today. In light of Easter, it is truly the all-pressing question for our generation. Do we believe that Jesus rose from the dead? We are freed from the grip of sin, made holy in the eyes of the Almighty, adopted as children of the living God, and empowered from on high! When Peter realized that it was the resurrected Christ on shore, calling him to cast his nets on the other side of the boat, he did not wait to row to the beach. In his exuberance he dove into the water and swam to his Master (Jn 21:4-19.) He could have cared less about the catch he had labored all day for. Jesus had come and nothing else mattered. We wish you this same passionate love for Christ this Easter, for He has risen indeed!

Adoption Update

As many of you know, we have been in the process of adoption through Colombia. However, we have decided that it is important for all members of our family to keep our current birth order, which a Colombian adoption could not do. As a result, we have decided to pursue domestic adoption via the foster care system. In this way, we could provide a safe home for children who need an interim location, and potentially become the long-term family these kids need. We will give you more information on this as we transition to caring for children 3 and under in what we hope is the near future.



*Happy Easter from our family, the
Northeast Lifelines Team, and the
students here at Plymouth State!
Love, Dan & Heather*

The Good Samaritan

Courage, Compassion, Commitment

The Good Samaritan found in Luke 10:25-37 is a story that captures the heart of our savior. Jesus ends this parable with a command to “Go and do likewise.” Students today are looking for a cause to be a part of, something bigger than themselves. A pattern has developed in the last 5 years of students joining a Cause, then becoming part of a Community of believers, before coming to Christ. Students no longer have a Christian

background so the need to see the heart of Christ through His people is more important than ever. An example of this can be seen in our trip to Guatemala a couple of years back. Five non-Christians came with us for a Cause to “Loving their neighbor as themselves” to help the poor in the Ghetto, and the kids in the orphanages. The Cause brought us together and a strong Christian Community followed. By the end of the trip all five students gave their lives to Christ.

Today we are challenging both Christian and Non-Christian students to be like the Good Samaritan, in whom we see courage to stop, compassion to help and a commitment to go the extra distance. Evangelism follows this same model. We can help those who are spiritually in peril if we will courageously start spiritual conversations, have compassion and see their real state before God, and go the extra mile in our commitment to them.

PSU students have a Big Break

For three Plymouth State students, spring break meant a week in Panama City Beach... doing ministry! Each year Cru hosts “Big Break” for students across the nation to fly south and practice sharing their faith with the flocks of college students who migrate there for other vacation purposes. In one

week alone, students presented the gospel message to 1,305 people, 90 of whom put their faith in Christ. For Tayleia, it was “a 24-7 evangelistic trip” since her non-Christian roommate, Sarah, also attended. Despite their conversations, and the great speakers and bands during the



week, Sarah did not commit her life to the Lord, but she loved the trip. Please pray for her as she continues to attend Cru on campus, and for each of the students to be a light at PSU.