



Lifelines, the outdoor and experiential learning ministry of Campus Crusade for Christ

The Harvester

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And they are off!

“Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation”

-Mark 16:15

We had planned to camp out for our retreat, but due to the fact that all our gear is packed to move, and it *snowed* that weekend, we wound up at an indoor water park... Brilliant! ☺ That tear-filled evening we celebrated God's work over the years and said our good-byes to our student leaders. Amy is headed back to the Middle East with Crusade and Zack to the Lifelines Rocky Mountain project, both as student leaders this year. Emily will graduate but stay in town, continuing to disciple Merci, an immigrant teen that lives on her street. Julia, also graduating, has been discipling Katherine, who is close to receiving Christ. Cait is getting married this July, and I was honored to give the charge at her bridal shower this weekend. They have grown up before our eyes, and they step forward as a light in the world, to do far more than we have done. Please pray for these young saints.



Amanda and Emily- watch out!

For the Girls

Our women's weekend in Maine began with a stop at Dartmouth to worship with the Crusade students there, and culminated in an impromptu hour of prayer for one another.

In between was filled with dancing, 4-wheeling and hiking. Much thanks to all our family for hosting and feeding us!

“I do this to show my God my love and commitment to Him.” Zack gets baptized!



“And I said, ‘Here am I. Send me!’” –Isaiah 6:8

In many ways I feel like this is the verse that has guided our lives. This month, Gabe, our co-worker, passed three kids smoking pot in the middle of the campus library. Teens are texting pornographic images to each other, and integrity and commitment have been largely replaced with “whatever feels good.” Those are just some of the moral changes, to say nothing of the fact that the Bible and its guiding principles is considered by most students to be at best, a myth. Even our own student leaders question if the whole Bible is the inerrant word of God. Which begs the question, what do you take and what do you leave? The corruption of character, even among believers, is the natural result. If righteousness and goodness is dependent entirely on one’s own standard; if there is no one to answer to; if there is nothing more to hope for in life beyond my happiness, then morality will collapse. Our only hope is Christ. The thing I love best about Lifelines is that it allows us great opportunity to connect with the lost and transform their view of Christ, and it allows us to enter into people’s lives and join Him in producing character growth; Lifelines answers that need for both believers and non-believers. That is why we are excited about this move to a more central location from which we can serve a far bigger scope, training other staff to do the same. When it was clear that the best way to use our gifts was to create bigger Lifelines teams in each region of the country, we knew we would go. From Plymouth, we can reach the thousands of students in Boston and can bring in teams like Yale (who has already booked a weekend with us!) for a “wilderness” experience with the Lord. We can also hone our skills and programs by taking out students at Plymouth State. Send me!



A few of the Easter sunrise hike crew!

Prayer requests

- It is possible that we may have housing at the Rumney Bible Conference Center as we house search. Please pray it works out!
- Thanks to God for the office space and attached storage area that He has provided, along with a house for our new teammates Steph and Ryan Bethel. It looks ideal!
- Please pray for wisdom, financial stewardship and discernment as we seek a new home.
- For me as I wrap up home school and plan curriculum in a new state for next year, and for God’s blessing in finding a speech therapist for Aliza and help for Caleb’s reading disability.
- Pray for Gabe and Amanda who will stay on at UVM next year.
- Pray for our upcoming ten-day women’s expedition in June!



Our first NH family hike!

How are we *really* doing?

A friend recently asked me this and I surprised myself by bursting into tears. Apparently that means that I am sad. We have no doubt that God is directing this move, but we and the kids are also pretty distraught over leaving. Saying good-bye to the students has been heart wrenching and the pain will no doubt continue as we leave our beloved home and the many friends and neighbors who have made up our “Vermont family” behind. We close on the house May 25th so will be moving in just two weeks. Not knowing where we live when we get there has added tremendous stress. Please pray for wisdom and blessings as we house search.