

# The Harvester

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

## Nefarious

Our ministry goals are twofold: to change individual lives through the hope of Christ and to transform the campus culture. Thus, we were pleased to partner with the Chi Alpha ministry in hosting the movie, Nefarious: Merchant of Souls, in an effort to end human trafficking.

<http://nefariousdocumentary.com/>

## Livia



This past month we were also privileged to introduce students (and my kids!) to Livia, a former Romanian orphan. She shared her story of how God saved her through a missionary who gave her an Operation Christmas Child shoebox gift. Her story from horror to hope captured us all.

<http://www.samaritanspurse.org/>

## Courageous

As a final move to shape the culture, I want to encourage you to take a friend to see the movie "Courageous," playing in theaters now. At the end of the film, we sat stunned with the rest of the audience until the lights came on and people began shouting and clapping. Not bad for Vermont! ☺

[www.courageousthemovie.com/](http://www.courageousthemovie.com/)



# Renewal.

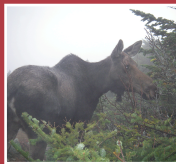
In response to the devastation that hurricane Irene rent throughout Vermont, a team of Lifelines students and staff rolled up their sleeves and pitched in to help a Rochester family reclaim their home. The debris and destruction at that home was reflected in other houses, roads and bridges throughout the area. Communities have banded together and organized themselves in an effort that will take many more months of hard labor. Though sweaty and filthy, when we asked our students if it was worth it, the answer was a resounding yes. What had the most impact? According to Amy, one of our student leaders, "The families were so overwhelmed with what had to be done it was hard to know where to start, but each of us doing small tasks helped them SO much! They were just so grateful even though they were the ones who had just lost so much."



## A Hiking we will go

"Why do you think it is wrong to have sex and get drunk or high?" Brian, a sophomore asked of Zack. "Well, every time I've done something against God's will, it has cost me," Zack answered. Brian had questions not just for new believer, Zack, but for all the men on the 20 mile hike. He reported, "Well, what I've learned of Jesus so far, I would want to know him." That is huge progress for a man who was a self-proclaimed atheist last year!

This past Friday Brian and another non-believer, Keith, joined us for a game of glow in the dark ultimate Frisbee. After three hours they were still going strong. Why do these guys want to spend time with Lifelines students? I think they see something in their peers that they crave; they see Christ. And as Brian confessed, who wouldn't want to know Him more?



## 30 Days of Prayer Requests

*what happens today impacts us all tomorrow*

1. Students to put their hope in Christ
2. God to be made known at UVM
3. God to raise up men as spiritual leaders
4. Our students will reach out to their peers
5. Hundreds of lost students to come on Lifelines trips this year
6. We would be diligent in following up with students who have come on trips
7. We would initiate spiritual conversations well
8. Our programs would impact students' lives for Christ
9. God to provide financially for our ministry account
10. God's financial provision for our family
11. Our diligence in support raising
12. God to prepare our team going to Guatemala
13. Direction for the future of Lifelines
14. Perseverance and abundant love among our staff members
15. Safety on our trips
16. Insight into the campus culture
17. Opportunities to share the gospel in a meaningful way
18. Julia, as she begins a freshman lifegroup
19. Students to attend the winter conference
20. Our Friday night speakers to challenge students hearts and minds
21. To be filled with the Holy Spirit
22. Dan and I to live by our priorities
23. A new ministry van
24. Our outreach to international students
25. Our commitment to God, yielding to Him
26. Staff and students to walk in faith
27. Personal discipleship would glorify God
28. God's blessing on all of our supporters
29. Christian faculty at UVM
30. To be devoted to the Word of God