

New interns at the Epic and Destino Intern Kickoff Weekend

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EMPOWERING LATINOS TO BRING TRANSFORMATION IN CHRIST WHEREVER THEY GO

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Right now I'm sitting in a room filled with about 20 new interns with Destino and Epic. There is a lot of excitement, anxiety, passion, and fear. This weekend they are being initiated into the staff world as they begin their year-long commitment to serve with us. We are so excited to have all of these new laborers ready to be used by God to reach students all over the country.

There are so many stories represented in this room. Stories of how God has already worked and stories waiting to be written about how God will show up in the next year. All of them are taking huge steps of faith, but I have been so impressed with the wiliness of some to face incredible barriers to follow God's call into ministry.

Bea became a believer through Cru in Venezuela before her family moved to Miami. She has been volunteering her time on campus until she became eligible for employment. Her parents aren't totally supportive of her going into full-time ministry, and her network of potential ministry partners seems much too small to raise all the funds she will need. But her passion for the lost and the conviction of her call are driving her forward in faith.

Vanessa, a student from UCLA, is feeling the weight of providing for her family. She is the oldest of 3 children of a single mom who is currently unemployed, so she has been the primary provider even as a student. She is trusting that God can continue to provide through generous ministry partners.

However God chooses to provide and wherever he leads them in the future, a second year intern, David, expressed so well why we believe in our intern program is worth it.

I don't know what I'm going to do after this year, but I know whatever I do that I'm going to live missionally.

PRAYER REQUESTS

⇒ Pray for all of our interns to be courageous and faithful as they finish school and raise the funds they need over the summer to start work on campus in the fall. They need to raise all the money they need for the year by August 10!

⇒ Destino is experiencing a lot of transition again this year, especially in our national team. Pray for new leaders.

⇒ Pray for Paul as he continues to pursue his new career in real estate investing. He is doing a lot of networking and marketing, but we know it will take time and persistence to build up his business.

⇒ Since Paul left staff, it has raised a lot of questions about my own future. Please pray for direction as I consider what God might be calling me to in the future.

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