

THE REDDY FAMILY

Big Break 2010

Over BSU's Spring Break 27 students loaded up in a fifteen passenger van and two additional cars to drive to Panama City Beach, Florida for the annual CRU student conference and missions trip dubbed simply, "Big Break." The conference had several speakers teaching from God's Word, training students how to effectively share their faith, and opportunities on the beach everyday to share Jesus with vacationing college students from around the United States.

Robert, a Sophomore who was semi-involved in a CRU small group decided, to our surprise, to go to Big Break. One of our teammates, Nate, had the chance to hear Robert's story. He shared how he grew up in a loving Christian home but ignored God after arriving at college. By this past August he had burned out, realizing that the way he was living was eating him alive. Robert shared with me during the week that God was opening his eyes every day to enjoy Him and know Him more.

Nate was able to hit the beach with Robert and talk to a group of 5 guys, who were surprisingly sober. After some small talk the conversation turned to God. Nate was able to explain the Gospel to them. All of a sudden he noticed that Robert had taken one of the guys aside, his name was Alex. Robert asked him if he could pray for anything in his life. Alex explained how everyone he loved had recently abandoned him, including his girlfriend the night before. Robert was then able to walk him through the Knowing God Personally booklet which shares the love of God poured out in the gospel. He explained to him that God is offering a permanent loving relationship with Him, through Jesus. Alex responded that he'd never heard about Jesus like that before but that it was what his heart really wanted and needed.

Not only was it exciting to see Alex indicate a new relationship with Jesus, we were so encouraged to see Robert impacted so deeply by his renewed relationship with Christ; so much so that He felt compelled to share it with others. This is the kind of life change that we seek and pray for daily. This was simply one of many stories where students, in their fresh or renewed experience of a relationship with God, took on huge risks to know Him better.

Praise the Lord for what He has done. The Big-Break conference hosted 5 weeks of Spring Breakers, during our one week, this is what we saw God do!

- 1,200 student attendees (this is the largest number of students since 2004)
- 431,000 meals packaged for people in Haiti
- 9,260 Spiritual conversations with students on the beach
- the Gospel was shared 3,624 times.
- 421 people accepted Christ into their life for the first time
- 168 people decided to rededicate their life to Jesus.



Stay connected...

* www.big-break.com

Check out Big Break online!

* <http://thereddys.blogspot.com>

Keep up with our growing family.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support!

*Jeremy and Heather
Ethan, Sydney, and Teagan*