



Dear Partners,

For sure we do not do a sufficient job of conveying how much we delight in this ministry which the Lord has called us into, and you make possible. We're so amazed at who the Lord is and what He's doing around the world that we just have to stand in awe.

We took the girls on a drive through the Colorado Rocky Mountains when we were there for our National Staff Conference. It's not too hard to be totally in awe of the Lord when looking at the majesty of those snow-covered mountains.

Then, packed together like sardines in the huge Moby Auditorium at Colorado State University, we heard story after story of how God is at work around the world. We heard from staff in countries we can't even mention the names of, due to the security risk. Stories of Muslims coming to Christ in record numbers through dreams and visions of Jesus. Stories of heads of some Muslim nations allowing Christian literature to be distributed house-to-house, and others allowing Christian radio broadcast over open airways for the first time. Our own region has opened up new partnerships to brand new places around the globe. It's not too hard to be totally in awe of the Lord when we see how He is drawing men and women to Himself in ways we haven't seen before.

We also witnessed an incredible demonstration of God's goodness at our conference. Tim McKenzie of On Every Word Ministries put on this multi-media production that had tears streaming down my (Bonnie's) face. The presentation surveys the seven days of creation, using the lens of Romans 1:20 to view "God's invisible qualities—His eternal power and divine nature" (NIV). The text spans 19 books and 67 chapters of Scripture, pairing each day of the creation story with a corresponding biblical truth about the God who lights the world, feeds the birds of the air, and offers rest to the weary. Magnificent images of nature complement the text, creating a vivid multimedia testimony to the majesty of the Creator. He spoke the Word of God (from memory) and had brilliant pictures of God's creation on the huge jumbo screens overhead. I absolutely can't do justice to this in words, but if you have a chance, *please* visit his website: **OnEveryWord.com** and watch it for yourself, or order a DVD for \$15. I bought the DVD and often have it running while I'm cooking, cleaning, etc. It's not hard to stand in awe of the Lord as we expose ourselves to the power of His Word. It makes all the difference in my attitude as I meditate and allow the Word of God to wash over my mind.

Curiously, the summers always fly by and a highlight of its end is hearing updates from students who've just returned from summer mission trips all over the country and the world. As we've mentioned before, we've recently begun to include high school students as part of the scope of our mission here in Wisconsin. It makes sense, as they're at such a key time in their lives and often open to the Gospel. And of course many of them will join us on the college campus in a matter of months or years.

One of the most exciting reports we've heard so far from students on summer projects came from Maison, a leader of our new high school ministry just outside of Madison in Verona, Wisconsin. She went to Ghana on a CCC missions trip this summer. On the reverse side you can read Maison's own words, from her blog describing how the Lord moved in and through them. We hope this little update gives you great cause to stand in awe of the Lord.

We are so grateful for you and your partnership in this great Gospel!

Scott joins me in sending our love,

Bonnie Roe

From Maison's Ghana Blog:

"From the moment we arrived at our "hotel" in Cape Coast, Ghana, we were surrounded by friendly faces and helping hands. We couldn't even carry our own luggage from the bus to our rooms. The Ghanaian people truly are humble servants.

A typical week looked something like this: **Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays** we went on campus. There were 3 campuses we worked on in Cape Coast. On campus we would partner-up and walk around to different dorm rooms and share the Gospel with students. Many of them were already Christians, but were unsure of their salvation. We would answer their questions and discuss concepts such as "grace" and "mercy." It was awesome to see them really begin to grasp and understand the meaning and importance of Christ's crucifixion in their lives. We did encounter unbelievers and a few Muslims as well. It was super awesome to see these people give their lives to Christ! God is so



Maison and another UW student surrounded by Ghanaian children

good! During week two we got to do follow-ups with some students and see how they were doing and answer any questions they had. We also had two outreaches where we talked about Campus Crusade for Christ and how interested students could get involved. It was really exciting! **Wednesdays** we went to an orphanage and played with the kids there. They were so precious and just wanted to be loved on. We played soccer, frisbee, jump rope, and a bunch of other games with them. On **Fridays** we went into the rural farming villages to show the Jesus film. We would arrive in the early afternoon and walk around the village in groups with a Ghanaian translator and tell people about the movie we would be showing that night usually around 7:00. The Jesus Film portrays the Gospel of Luke and tells the story of Jesus' life, shows the miracles He preformed, and ends with the crucifixion and resurrection. About 500-600 people would show up to watch the film. It was an incredible sight to see them all just sitting on the dirt ground watching the movie. They watched so closely, even the really little kids, and would clap during the scenes when Jesus would perform a miracle. It was pretty awesome. After the movie there was an altar call where people could come up and pray to accept Christ and talk with us or the Ghanaian Campus Crusade Staff. There was always a ton of people.

Showing the Jesus film was probably my favorite part of the trip. I have seen pretty severe poverty before, but I have never been submersed in it or really interacted with people living in it. The poverty in these rural villages was quite sobering. I could hardly believe some of the conditions these people were living in, and yet as we would walk by they would come running out of their homes with the biggest smiles on their faces, greeting us and inviting us inside. They were so happy and so content. The lifestyle and culture just seems so different than here in the U.S. It really opened my eyes to the blessings the Lord has poured upon me living in this country where running water, paved roads, houses with roofs, cars, and health care are so common I don't even think twice about them. There is so much that can easily be taken for granted living in a society like we do. And I have taken everything for granted thinking I deserved all these things, when really I deserve nothing! It was a pretty tough realization for me, but I am so thankful to the Lord for working in my heart!"



Building Spiritual Movements Everywhere

Trying to train and direct enough staff and students to reach out to every pocket of students in the southern part of Wisconsin can seem like an impossible task. We need teams of leaders to reach out on their schools to every segment of campus. The challenge is complex and demanding.

One way we seek to train these needed leaders is through our annual Leadership Advance weekend, which is coming up August 21-23. Please pray for this weekend as we've invited 130 student from our various movements to attend.

Have you ever wondered when our various movements meet? While each of our different movements hold lots of meetings for planning, Bible studies, training, outreach, and fellowship, listed below are the days when the main gatherings from several of our movements occur.

You could use this as a daily prayer guide for each of these movements. Pray for our students to lead well and for fruitful evangelism and discipleship.

Monday

Impact (African-American students)
Student Venture (High School students)
University of Wisconsin-Platteville

Tuesday

LifeSkills (UW Marching Band students)
University of Wisconsin-Whitewater

Wednesday

Athletes In Action (Collegiate Athletes)
Bridges (International Students)

Thursdays

University of Wisconsin-Madison

This year we are also attempting to launch new movements targeting Fraternity and Sorority students (GreekLife), ROTC students (Valor), and Athletes In Action at Platteville. Ask God for success.

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