

The Roe's Hatch

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Dear Partner,

Last week, Curt explained to a roomful of students (pictured below) how two years ago at the Cru Fall Getaway his life totally changed. Curt is one of many students who have said "yes" to Jesus over that annual weekend.

With one week left to recruit, we have already run out of room for our Fall Getaway. The conference center says they don't have beds or space to feed us past 306 people. I want to keep inviting more students, because I'm optimistic we could figure something out, but we have already exceeded our contract's maximum.

I'm sure our leaders would tent and fast during meals over the weekend if it meant more students could come. Hopefully something can be worked out soon, because it's unfortunate to quit advertising already. Curt didn't plan to come until the day before.

However this works out, we're praying God does amazing things for everyone who attends. This weekend has brought people to Christ, connected people to a thriving community, launched people into a life-time of ministry, and so much more.

While our registrations are very solid, in truth, they are also higher because we've invited students from our UW-Whitewater campus to come.



We are prioritizing distance campuses that our Madison team oversee. During the year, our team isn't able to spend as much time with those who live outside of Madison. We know God can do incredibly more through those students as we equip them well.

This year, we are continuing to press forward to new locations, while cultivating fruitfulness in places we've already established. We call this *Growing where we are; going where we are not*. But it is not easy.

The demands and opportunities at the places we currently have established ministries are plentiful. Praise God for the 600 or so students involved in our core movements. The students are growing, taking faith steps, and we love that we've been seeing students come to Christ. Training our leaders, speaking at meetings, giving students their first taste of invigorating, fruitful evangelism, and doing the myriad of other things of making disciples at our present locations is fulfilling. Each year we can sit back in awe of what the Lord has done.

Yet we want to avert complacency. We intentionally push ourselves and our staff team out of the comfortable and the urgent before us, to carry Christ's redemption to new places.

So while you rejoice with us that we continually see students transformed by Christ, pray for us that we will be a catalyst to launch and expand movements of trained Christ-followers everywhere.

We want every student and faculty member on every campus to know someone who truly follows Jesus.

Your partnership means the world to us,

Scott & Bonnie Roe

Some Praise and Prayer Requests:

- Praise God for the 9 students who've indicated first-time decisions for Christ in the last 5 weeks. Pray for them to make roots quickly in the Word and our Christian community.
- Pray for a successful *Executive and Entrepreneurial Leadership Forum* Nov 5-6. Among other things, we hope to expose 100 of our campuses top leaders to successful Christian business persons so that Christ may be made known to them.
- Pray that as we *Go Where We are Not*, and pioneer new locations, we find the right motivated and capable students, faculty, and volunteers who are ready to multiply their lives.
- Pray that the resource challenges we are facing wouldn't hold back our ministries.
- Praise God our 3 children are doing well in school. Pictured to the right is from Evan's first day of 4k.

