

IndyCC

Imagine a room filled with 2,000 college students. Some are committed Christians. Some are still working on whether they believe in God. Some have just left bright, warm, happy family Christmas celebrations. Others left behind painfully broken families, or even no family at all.

All are young, bright, educated leaders of tomorrow. And all are being given the opportunity, for four whole days, to hear the good news of Jesus, and respond to Him with their whole lives.

This is IndyCC, the Cru Great Lakes Regional winter conference. For four days, from December 28th-January 1st, students from Ohio, Indiana, Michigan and Illinois descend upon the JW Marriot in Indianapolis. There, they are met by hundreds of staff and many special guests who make the conference work. Through talks based on the Bible, workshop sessions, a day of outreach to the community, and a massive New Year's Eve party, students hear about Jesus, what He has done for us, and what it means to truly follow Him.

The reason I'm spending so much time describing this conference is because I truly think it is one of the most important large events we are a part of. It was at this conference that Clay made a decision to follow Christ during his sophomore year of college, and I made a deci-



A student worshipping at IndyCC last year.

sion to surrender my life to God's plan during my junior year of college. We, along with hundreds of past and present students, attribute life-changing encounters with God to the experience we had at IndyCC.

It is an absolutely crucial time for so many students, and with that in mind, I wanted to take this letter to ask you to commit the month of December to praying for IndyCC. Perhaps you could set an alarm on your phone, or put a sticky-note on your steering wheel, and use that as a reminder to spend a few moments petitioning the Lord on the behalf of our students and us.

Also, I want to extend now the invitation to you and your family to be a part of IndyCC by attending the New Years Eve worship celebration at the JW Marriot. It is free of charge, and we would love to have you worshipping and celebrating with us. If you would like to come, please send me an e-mail or give me a call and I can give you the details!

As always, we are thankful for your friendship, and are praying for God's blessing on you and your families as the holidays approach!

Emily's Picks for the Holiday Season

Devotional: SheReadsTruth.com's Advent study. Activity: Making Aldi's "Ninjabread" cookies (Ninja Gingerbread men.) Album: Comfort & Joy by Folk Angel.

Til the whole world knows.

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Students celebrating at the New Years Eve worship celebration.



help us get back to Onio Oniversity:



Does Your Employer Have A Matching Gift Program?

The matching gift program that many companies offer their employees can be a great asset to Cru staff members when they are raising support. It doesn't take much time and the rewards are great. Some companies even offer to double gifts, not just match them. Others may even put a dollar value to volunteer hours! Would you please consider inquiring as to whether your employer offers such a program and if Cru qualifies? If Cru has met your employer's qualifications, would you please send the matching gift form from your employer to the following address?

> Cru ATTN: Matching Gifts Administrator 100 Lake Hart Drive #2400 Orlando, FL 32832

Or email <u>matchinggifts@Cru.org</u> should your employer have a website where the gift can be verified. Please know that we, as staff, are not permitted to verify any gifts and therefore please send any forms to our headquarters located in Orlando along with any donation you may want to make at that time. God Bless you for all you do! Thank you for taking the time to investigate another way God may choose to use you to help us get back to Ohio University!

Prayer Requests for The Selways - December

Stick this card anywhere that will remind you to pray!

1. For IndyCC:

- That obstacles to student's attending (money, weather, sickness, parental permission) would be resolved.
- That the Holy Spirit would be powerfully present in everything we do at IndyCC.
- That non-Christian students would hear & understand the Gospel, and respond by trusting Christ.
- That many students would pledge their lives to God's service.
- That chains of addiction would be broken, lives would be healed, and

the Kingdom of God would be powerfully advanced.

2. On another note, please continue to pray that God would move powerfully, and that we'd be able to report to campus in January.

3. For Emily, who has a small, routine procedure scheduled December 10th. Pray for an easy procedure and good test results!

If we can be praying for you in any way, please let us know! 937-657-0694/emily.selway@cru.org