

In Her Own Words

This month, we decided to highlight the experience of a student, Michaela. Michaela just began her junior year at Ohio University, studying Marketing and Management Information Systems. This summer, Michaela went on a Summer Project with Cru - a 6-week missions trip to the tiny European country of Slovenia. There, she studied the Bible, participated in Christian community, and shared her faith with college students on a nearby campus. The following is her experience, made possible by you, in her own words.

I got to experience God in so many ways during the Slovenia Summer Project 2014! One way I saw God move in the life of a Slovene was with my friend Helena. Helena is an 18 year old Slovene who is studying at a technical school. Helena has no religious background and did not know much about Christianity at all. We met Helena on the first day of sharing and she was immediately interested. On a later date another project student and I met Helena for coffee. We were able to have a more personal conversation with her on this day. Helena wanted to know what a typical day looked like for us in Ljubljana. We told her all about our day-to-day life and showed her Ephesians and explained to her that we were reading Ephesians every morning. She then asked to see The Bible and began reading Ephesians for herself. After a few moments she looked at us and read



Michaela (far right) with Rebekah and Rachel, sampling some traditional cuisine.

aloud Ephesians 1:4 ("Even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes.") Her entire demeanor changed in this moment as she expressed to us how beautiful this verse was. It was incredible to

see how The Bibtle changed her heart in an instant and such a good reminder of how powerful this book truly is.

Evangelizing to students was definitely a personal step of faith. I learned that the best way to minister to people is by loving them and taking a real interest in their life. Every day of the week we spent time on campus initiating conversation with students to get to know them. We got to have over 900 conversations during our time in Slovenia and passed on many of these Slovenes contact information to the long term team in Ljubljana.

I was so blessed to not only watch God move in others' lives but also my own. While in Slovenia God showed me His love for ALL people Michaela (middle), preparing to conduct spiritual and also made it very clear how desperate we are for a Savior. I became so aware of my brokenness and my constant need for his grace and forgiveness. I also feel more confident evangelizing to students



surveys with students on a nearby campus, a tool the project used to have Gospel conversations.

and with my basic knowledge of the bible! My life will never be the same because of Slovenia Summer Project!

New Website!

We have officially launched our new website, www.theselways.com. We plan to upload our prayer letters, videos, pictures, and more to this site. We hope you find it another helpful way to connect with us and our ministry.

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-Michaela

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Prayer Requests for The Selways - August

Tape this card to a mirror, tuck it in your Bible, or stick it anywhere

else that will remind you to pray!

1. Please pray for our staff and student leaders. These next 2 weeks, they will be meeting face-to-face with hundreds of students who indicated a desire to know more about a Bible study or a how to have a personal relationship with God. Please pray for strength, motivation, and divine appointments.

2.Please pray for the freshmen students who will be met by staff and student leaders.

Pray as Cru at OU begins Bible studies (Tuesdays) and the weekly meeting, 180 (Thursdays.)

4. Please pray for us, that God would grant us the courage, motivation, and energy to work hard and minister well to those around us.

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