

The Selways

Clay & Emily

Finding Jesus in the Dining Hall

Megan, a sophomore student leader with our movement at Ohio U, and I finished praying and started to walk through the Baker student center. It was 6:00 PM on a Thursday, and the building was slowly emptying out as students left for home or the library. Megan and I were going “sharing”, the common term we use to describe going out on campus to initiate spiritual conversations with whomever happens to be sitting around. While there are many ways to do it, tonight Megan and I were going to use “Perspective Cards”, a card-game like tool designed to generate conversations about spiritual world views.



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Kelly and Emily with Andrea (middle) - another student who recently trusted Christ with Emily.

We looked around the food court, and spotted a young woman studying while eating her dinner. Smiling, we approached and asked if she had a few minutes to talk, and explained we were out trying to understand what students here thought about spiritual things. She said yes.

We sat down with “Laura”, a sophomore, and began laying out the cards and asking her about who she thought God was, what the purpose of life might be, and what she thought of Jesus. She answered politely, if disinterestedly. She summed herself up as “agnostic and confused.”

As our conversation was nearing its end (Megan had a class to go to and so did Laura) I asked “You know, if there is a God out there that loves us and cares about us, what do think it might be like for you to know Him in a personal way?”

Without warning, Laura burst into tears. She sobbed so hard she couldn’t even answer. After a few minutes, I said, “You know, I think you’re crying because deep down inside part of you wants to know God. And I’m here to tell you that He loves you, and wants to know you, too.” She cried harder.



Perspective Cards

We exchanged phone numbers, and agreed to meet up later. Later that night, I got a text from her that said this: *Hi Emily. Thanks again for sitting down with an encouraging me to talk about my faith. We need more people like you and Megan in the world.*

The following week, Laura and I met again over dinner in the dining hall. I got to finish sharing the gospel with her, and answer more of her questions. At the end of dinner, I prayed with Laura as she made the decision to trust Christ.

‘Til the whole world knows,
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Selway Update

January and February were jammed packed mostly with work and adjusting to our new home. We did enjoy a few fun things though - here are the latest snapshots from our life!



We have begun to settle into our new place - it's starting to feel like home! All that's left is painting the walls.



We got slammed by Winter Storm Jonas - it even cancelled our Winter Retreat. We still enjoyed some fun with students in the snow, though!



In February, we met some of our teammates for our Summer Mission to Chicago - can't wait to spend the summer with them all!



We celebrated Valentine's day by trying out a new Thai place in Athens together.



The newest addition to our family, Rufus. He is relishing his role as a "Cru Staff Kitty. Whenever we have students over for Bible study or just to hang out, he likes to find an empty spot and hang out like "one of the students!"



Emily took advantage of some unusually warm weather to take a hike through nearby Stroud's Run.

Prayer Requests for The Selways for March

Stick this card anywhere that will remind you to pray!

1. Pray for Laura - pray that she would grow in her faith, become a part of our community, and that Satan and the world wouldn't choke out her new faith.
2. Pray for our students as they finish out the school year, that they would stay strong and continue to go hard after the goal of reaching our campus for Christ.
3. Pray for us as we continue to integrate into a new team, a new community, and a new church.
4. Pray for our team as we continue to transition. We have new staff joining us soon and other staff leaving. Pray for unity, fellowship, and that we would follow the Holy Spirit's guiding as we adjust.

**We'd love to pray for you. Please share
your prayer requests with us!
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