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"No one has ever taught us this before," Tine (TEEN-ay) shared with me in astonishment after I (Jordan) shared the gospel with him and his classmate Jan (Yahn).

Last week a group of 13 students and Cru staff from Ohio State joined us for a one-week Spring Break trip to Slovenia. The American students came to have spiritual conversations with Slovene students and to help give further lift to our movement in Ljubljana.

The American students used a video and evangelism tool called Falling Plates (which you can watch at fallingplates.com) that shares the gospel in a unique and visual way. We recently had the video translated and dubbed into Slovene and we were excited to see how Slovene students would respond to this creative portrayal of the gospel.

At the end of the week, we had shared the video hundreds of time in person, and there were over 10,000 views online! We can't know exactly how the video is impacting each person, but for Tine and Jan it changed the way they thought about Jesus, faith and Christianity.

An American student named Tanner met Tine and Jan at their campus and started to talk about spiritual things with them. He invited me to join them the next day to talk further.

"This makes so much sense," Jan said during our conversation. Tanner and I talked about how Jesus defies expectations and how clear it is that we live in a broken world as a result of sin. We explained how Jesus paid the penalty of sin for us if we receive him as Savior and Lord.

"We never talked about spiritual things before, but because you came up to talk to us, now we're talking about them with one another too," Tine added.

It's obvious that God is at work in the hearts of Tine and Jan, and we believe he's working in many other hearts as well.

Trusting the Lord for Slovene students to become Christ-centered laborers with you,

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The group of American students from Ohio State practice starting conversations with one another during a training session Jordan led.

## Prayers

- o Pray for Tine and Jan to continue to meet with Jordan and talk about the gospel. Pray the Lord would bring them to faith in Christ.
- o Pray for the Falling Plates video to continue to impact the lives of students in Slovenia.

## Praise

- o Praise the Lord for the American students who came and took steps of faith and for the hundreds of conversations they were able to have with Slovene students.
- o Praise God for how he is at work in the hearts and lives of students like Tine and Jan who had never truly heard the message of Jesus before.