

CRU at UNC

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UNC-CHAPEL HILL

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Pray for the Smiths

-Pray for registration to our Winter Conference that we kicked off this week. The annual conference is the week after Christmas in Greensboro. We are praying for 120 students to join us from UNC this year.

-Pray for outreaches happening in several community areas before Thanksgiving to reach new people. Pray for our staff team and student leaders to have fresh ideas of how to connect with non-believers on campus.

-Pray for Allie's big day- November 10th. Pray the c-section would go smoothly and for our girl to be healthy and strong (she will be born a few weeks early at 37 weeks due to my surgery with Harrison).

-Pray for our transition as a family of 4!

-Thank you for loving our family and being a part of our ministry here at UNC!

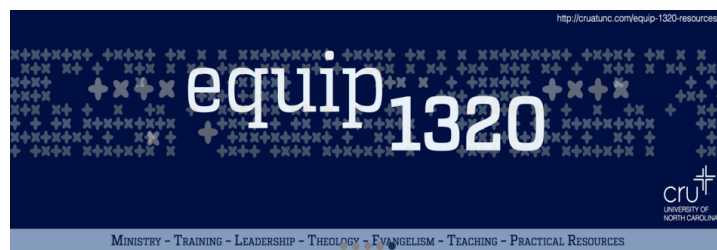
Napkin Theology

What would it look like for students to be trained to help them communicate their faith and multiply their influence into the lives of campus and throughout the world. We are praying for that to become a reality with our leadership training for any students at UNC in EQUIP.

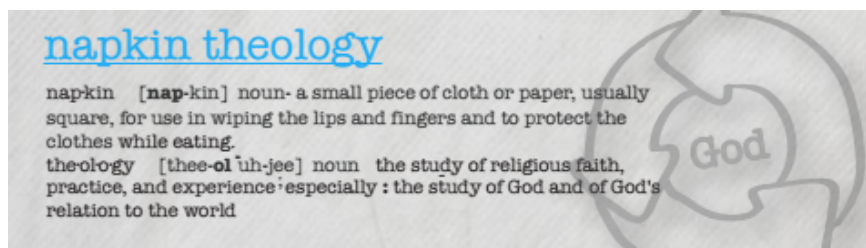
I got to help lead the seminar on Sharing the Gospel. We use a resource called Napkin Theology to

help students understand what to say to communicate the gospel in a simple way using a napkin! You can find this and other resources at our website.

cruatunc.com/discipleship-resources



We hope to empower them to have a personal ministry and help them catch a vision for multiplying their faith into the lives of others around them. Pray with us that students would be "sent" to UNC and the world through our movement and investment in them in this way.



Allie Elizabeth

Our daughter is continuing to grow and develop beautifully. On October 18, Allie was 34 weeks old which is a big milestone. At this point a baby could be born and have few symptoms of prematurity. Erin's health has been really great and our outcome for a healthy full term baby seems to be becoming a reality. We have a scheduled C-Section for her arrival for **Tuesday November 10**. We look forward to her meeting her and are so grateful for what seems to be a healthy arrival. Thank you so much for praying for us during this season that has been anxious at times. We are so thankful we're so close to meeting her!

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-Pray for the connections students made at Fall Retreat. Pray people who came there would grow in their involvement with us and their walk with Christ.

-Pray for our recruiting for summer projects and giving students a vision to use summers well. Pray specifically for us as we recruit UNC students to come with us to Charleston this summer.

-Pray for our bible studies (Erin and Josh both lead upperclassmen) to cultivate depth and authenticity as they continue to meet week after week.

-Thank God for our healthy pregnancy so far! Pray for a smooth additional two weeks before we meet our girl!

-Pray for Harrison as he transitions into being a big brother!

The Real Jesus, The Real You

September 18-20 our annual Fall Retreat happened at Camp Dixie south of Fayetteville, NC. We had over 220 students spend the weekend with us to consider the "Real Jesus and the Real You." Pray for fruit from the weekend- that decisions and faith would shape the futures of those who were in attendance. One comment from a student...***"This year was my first year at fall retreat and I am so glad that I came! The love and support I felt all weekend gave me the strength to fully surrender my life to the Lord on Saturday night at worship. I wouldn't have been able to make that commitment without the encouragement and support around me."***



I Don't Have Enough Faith

Frank Turek, a nationally recognized apologist, came to UNC to present for our campus. His compelling presentation ("I don't have enough faith to be an atheist") created a space for students to consider why it seems more reasonable that the God of the Bible is real. A 30 minute Q&A gave students the opportunity to ask honest questions about issues in our culture that disagree with the ideas he shared. It was a fantastic night and over 500 people were in attendance. The biggest lecture hall at UNC that we met in was overflowing with people. Pray for our continued follow up with students who came to the event.



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