CRU at UNC

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Pray for the Smiths

- Praise that our Allie girl is 4! Above is her celebration at school. She is such a joy!
- Pray for students to go on summer missions with Cru this summer. We are specifically praying for UNC students to go to East Asia (where we have had a partnership for over 20 years!)
- Pray for students as they enter exams. Pray even in the midst of stress, students would have a godly perspective on work and rest.
- Pray for unrushed time to connect with our families over the holidays. We'll be local for Thanksgiving and in KS for Christmas.
- As we near Thanksgiving, we are especially thankful for YOU!

Discipleship 101

Discipleship. It's a word we have probably used a lot, but what does that practically look like? Cru has always been about "Win, Build, Send." First. to share the Gospel with the hope to "win" people to Christ, "building" them up in their faith and "sending" them into whatever their calling is to be a light for Jesus. Discipling others would fall in this "building" category. One of my primary roles this year is discipleship. Juniors and Seniors involved with us pour into freshman and sophomores (for the most part) and us staff train and mentor upperclassmen. I meet upperclassmen women (some one on one. some in small groups) and we talk about how to walk with Christ. This semester we have talked about the role of the Spirit in our lives. We looked at Ephesians 1 for a few weeks as well, exploring our who we were created to be. Especially for a generation confused about their identity, what a great reminder of where identity really lies. And this month we have talked about worldview. What are the distinctive marks of Christianity? What does the Bible have to say about Creation, Fall and Redemption (3 categories to think through with any worldview). What a gift to walk alongside these UNC students in this way!

Student Spotlight

"Recently God has been showing me the multitude of ways that He comforts His children through both His word and His people. The last few weeks have been an emotional rollercoaster and people that God has placed in my life have been filling me with scripture and comfort." (Meredith Katibah, senior)

"My bible study has been hit with a lot of suffering this semester. The girls

in the study look to God for comfort and are always reminded of His promises. By leading them, God is teaching me that He is present through the highs and lows and there is always something greater at work when we are facing difficult times. He walks through life with us and is there to help us carry on." (Polina Cherkez, senior)



With Polina and Meredith

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