

CRU at UNC

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Pray for the Smiths

-During April we begin looking ahead to **student leaders** for next year. Pray that the Lord would raise up students to partner with us in ministry. Pray for students that love God deeply and want to help others know Him.

-Pray for **wisdom** as we do more in person ministry. Pray for health and safety for students and staff as we continue to navigate this pandemic on campus.

-Harrison will be going **back to school** in person on April 12. Pray for his transition. We are excited for him to have more of a social outlet and be more engaged. But there is a mixture of feelings!

-**Thank you** for your support- both financially and in prayer. We are grateful for you!

Back to In-Person

As I write to you, there is only one month until students wrap up classes. While this semester has been anything but normal, we have been excited to begin doing more ministry in person. Our Thursday weekly meeting, on zoom this whole year, has been held the past few weeks in person at a local church. What a blessing to see students (albeit spread out and in masks) worshipping and able to be in community with one another. We have had service opportunities in Chapel Hill and "Field Day Fridays" to build community. A few weeks ago we were able to hold an outdoor event called Heels on the Hill. 65 students joined to hear from a speaker, have praise and worship and just have fun being together and eating Chick Fil A. Pray a return to these in-person events would help students feel more connected.

Staff spotlight- Sydnie

One of my roles this year was getting to meet with and train a staff intern named Sydnie. It has been such a highlight of my year to walk alongside her in ministry. Here is a bit about her year in her own words.

"Working for Cru has been one of the greatest joys the Lord could have given me this year. My reliance on Him has deepened in ways that I never would have imagined possible. I can plan something perfectly or spend an hour reading my Bible or pour my heart out to a student but if I don't do it for the glory of the Lord then it's all for nothing. Being on staff has shown me how human I am and how powerful God truly is."

