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**For from him and through him and to him are all things.
To him be the glory forever. Amen. -Romans 11:36**

We are married!

It's official- we're hitched! January 17th was the best day of our lives. Our families and so many great friends joined us in the celebration of our big day. The day went so fast but we were both so amazed at the joy we experienced in such a rich display of God's goodness to us. We are learning how to do life together in the same place and enjoying each other's company. We love our new home and are thrilled that we get to do ministry beside and with one another. We even got to do a relationship talk in a dorm on campus last week. It was so fun to serve together as newly-weds!

Encounter 2008

Among so many exciting things happening this time of year was our annual Christmas Conference in Greensboro, NC (Dec. 28- Jan. 1). Encounter 2008 challenged students to experience Christ the Redeemer in tangible ways. Redemption can be defined as a restoration to an original purpose. The redemptive work of Christ, if seen rightly, affects all of creation, all of our life, our culture, our moments and our relationships. Over four days, this conference confronted 1100 students (60 from UNC) to examine the work of the cross and consider their response through its significance. There were break-out sessions that gave direction to spiritual growth, evangelism, and discipleship. More can happen in these days than can happen in an entire semester of a student's life. Many of our UNC students came back refreshed and re-engaged with God. Thanks for praying for this conference!



PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Pray for our marriage. That our marriage foundation would be built on the rock of our lives, Christ Jesus.

- Pray for God's Spirit to transform hearts of our student leaders and give them a passion to pour into others.

- Pray for outreaches happening all over campus in dorms. Each dorm will be doing an outreach this semester. Pray that these outreaches would be serving the dorm living area and that people would be pointed to Christ.

- Pray for us as we work on raising some financial support this semester. Pray that the Lord would bring people into our lives that would want to partner with us.

One day of the conference, students went into the community and ministered to needy families, bringing them food and dialoguing with them. Here is what one student said: **"I think it's really easy to forget that not everyone feels safe when they go to bed. It was clear that these people were searching for purpose and unconditional love. The Lord has broken my heart again for the lost."**