

CRU at UNC

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Sweden Launch Trip

March 11-18 Josh traveled to Sweden with 9 students and 2 other staff from UNC. Our goal was travel to a new location in order to pioneer a new movement could begin in a new the city. Linkoping (Lin-Sher-ping) is the 7th largest city in Sweden and the next location where the national leadership sees a movement beginning. Currently, there is a movement in 3 locations Stockholm, Uppsala, Lund/Malmo.

Our objective was to be learners of everything - the culture, the campus, the city, and the people. We initiated with people hoping to surface potential leaders and share our faith. For many of the UNC students, it was a first time experience to enter into a new culture and trust God in this way. ***We made several significant connections throughout the week both with students wanting a faith community to connect to and faculty at the university who are faithfully following Christ who could help resource this new movement.***

One of the highlights during the week was being with the STINT team and getting to understand what life and ministry is like there for them. Part of the experience for the students was to get a feel for what it could look like to come back again and serve for longer with Cru. There are 2 UNC junior girls praying about it and considering the need for next year. Having not been since 2010 it was a joy to revisit this beautiful country again.

Pray for the Smiths!

- Over the next 2 weeks we are placing new leaders in positions for next year. Pray for wisdom and provision in our ministry next year.
- Pray for 23 students attending a summer mission this year and for funding for them as they trust God.
- Pray for Charleston Summer Mission planning to take shape.
- Pray for our support as we work on raising funds for our summer in Charleston and Colorado.
- Pray for our kids to understand and embrace the gospel as they grow up understanding more of the world around them.

Thank you for your partnership with us. Our job is an incredible privilege to be at UNC! Thank you for making it possible!



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