## CRU at UNC

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## Seniors to the World

Senior Interns are one of my favorite aspects of our job here at UNC. 20 seniors have committed to do life and ministry alongside our team as they take on leading with us. This role allows students to gain some perspective and experience unique to staff life. Many go on every year better equipped to give away their lives and influence others with their faith-regardless of what they pursue after college. Here are a few senior perspectives, in their own words, sharing what God has taught them this year.

God has been teaching me how important it is to rely on him and to stay rooted in his word. Paul talks about clinging to the word of life in Philippians, and I've been learning why he says that. His word gives life. I wouldn't be able to lead in my role without being rooted in his word. - Matt

Being a student intern has been a great opportunity to serve the UNC students while giving me an opportunity to see a little more closely what Cru Staff would be like. I have seen the value of being an enabler. This year has given me a better appreciation for teamwork in ministry, because people bring unique perspectives that encourage fruitful ministry. - Drew

God has really taught me how to serve among others this year and the need for trust within the context of community. I've really seen the infrastructure and challenges within doing ministry which has been sobering. Also, my heart for Jesus and for others has increased substantially as I've had to depend on him more in this role. -Mike

## Pray for the Smiths

- Pray for the 14 staff and 35 students coming to Charleston with us this summer. Pray God would richly bless our weeks together in the city. Please pray specifically that more college guys would join us, as we are very lopsided with girls at the moment!
- Praise that God has raised up 35 UNC students to go on summer projects throughout the US and overseas. Pray the Lord would provide the financial support they need. And pray for life change to happen in and through them this summer!
- Pray for Seniors as they leave UNC in just a few short weeks. Pray for their transition and that they would quickly get plugged in to a Christ-centered community.

THANK YOU for your commitment to us and our ministry to college students!

## Spring Break to the City

This year we had two spring break trips- one to Florida and one to New York City. (We stayed in Chapel Hill to work on Charleston details so we missed out on both trips sadly!) The New York trip was led by two seniors who had spent previous summers there and had a passion to bring friends back with them. The week was full of exploring the city, learning about campuses there and doing ministry, such as the Soluarium picture survey, with students. There is a huge need to reach college students there with the Gospel and very little manpower to do so. Our 14 UNC students joined 100 others to share the message of Christ on 20 campuses. This was a unique and influential week in their lives. **Pray for God to continue to raise up laborers to go to nations from UNC.** 

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