



A caring community passionate about  
connecting people to Jesus Christ

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In a place and time that has tried to explain faith away, I am still amazed how God continues to pursue and reveal himself to college students. Our ministry exists at UNC to provide an environment for students to Encounter and Respond to the God of the Bible. This fall has been a rich season of seeing fruit.

- 10 students (that we know of) have placed their faith in Christ this semester!
- 90 student leaders lead 25 Bible studies every week all across campus
- 300 students come to hear the Bible taught and worship God every Thursday
- About 600 students involved in CRU Bible studies
- Over 200 freshman are connected to a meaningful community through our CRU Bible studies in their first semester of college
- Over 500 International Students from 47 countries have heard the gospel for the first time
- 50 seniors will be sent from UNC with a vision to influence the world for Christ in their calling
- 15 seniors have already applied for a 1-year international mission with CRU

This is amazing when I stop to consider what is happening. We are so grateful for the privilege to serve here and help fulfill the Great Commission. The university is ground zero in shaping our culture and continues to be a launch pad to take the gospel message of Jesus to the ends of the earth.

*If you're on the college campus you're on the cutting edge of the culture, you're looking at the culture 15 years from now. [Campus ministry] is our best organic leadership development pipeline...and is one of our biggest assets, not just because we want to reach the campus and college students... But for leadership development, and development of pastors and great lay leaders, it can't be bettered. —Tim Keller*

God has continued to refine our vision for our involvement with CRU. We want to help proclaim the gospel here at UNC and be a place where God transforms lost students into lifelong followers of Christ.

This December we have some financial needs. This year we need \$9000 to finish the year in a healthy place financially as we forecast into next year. Extra ministry expenses over the summer and losing some monthly supporters have left our staff account in deficit this fall. Several times we received short paychecks and we are praying we can recoup the monthly donations through this year-end ask.

As you reflect on your giving this time of year, would you consider a special gift to help provide for our needs? If you feel led to give, please make your check payable to CRU and use the enclosed envelope to respond. Please reply by December 20 in order to apply your donation to the 2013 giving receipt. As always, gifts are tax deductible. You can also give online at [give.cru.org/0549860](http://give.cru.org/0549860).

Thank you for your partnership in taking the gospel to the ends of the earth through this ministry at UNC. This would not be possible without you. We are so thankful for you!

In Christ,

*Josh. & Erin  
Harrison*

