



A caring community passionate about
connecting people to Jesus Christ

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We are finishing our ninth year at UNC (Erin's 13th)! After this many years at the same place it can be easy to forget the significance of how God is at work. The Lord has been kind to remind us that a small thing being repeated is not a small thing. We recently asked our leaders to share how the gospel has impacted over their years at UNC.

-The gospel has led me to realize that I am a very imperfect man who is loved by and has been saved by a very perfect God. I came to know Christ more fully in college and to rely on Him for all things that cause strife in my life, and to thank him for each blessing that has been bestowed upon me.

-My walk with God has become more personal in college. My belief that God is a loving father has transitioned from head knowledge to heart knowledge, and I've realized the way God cares about me and cherishes a relationship with me.

-In college I've learned I don't find my identity in my grades, experiences, or relationships I have. Instead, I live each day striving to glorify God and help others do this too. It's not that I am better at living my life because I have heard the Gospel; it's about Jesus working through me. Because of the Gospel, the Holy Spirit works through me to love others.

-The gospel has shaped my friendships, relationships, and desires for the future. I began to learn how deeply the Lord cared for me and wanted to have a real relationship with me because of Cru and my small group leaders.

These are significant things that God is doing. There are several hundred more stories within our movement going on untold. The greatness of God continues to be embraced in a place where other messages of greatness are loudly proclaimed. We continue to see a crop of leaders from UNC raised up to live out the gospel in their calling.

Your partnership with us has shaped these stories! As an organization, we are trusting God to grow the gospel to the ends of the earth, and we move into the summer with the same hope. This summer our assignment includes a summer mission and a National Staff Conference in Ft. Collins, CO.

We are very excited about another summer mission in Charleston, SC to lead and invest in 47 students and staff from all over the country. For 5 weeks (8 weeks for students) we will help students grow in their own faith (through Bible study, training in personal evangelism and one on one discipleship) AND minister to the community of Charleston through partnering with local churches.

We have some financial needs for our summer in Charleston and Colorado. This summer we need **\$8000 in one-time gifts** to be a part of the team for 5 weeks and our travel out to Colorado for our national staff conference in July. Would you consider a special gift to help provide for our summer expenses?

If you feel led to give, please make your check payable to CRU and use the enclosed envelope to respond. Please reply by June 1 in order to apply your donation toward our summer assignment. As always, gifts are tax-deductible. You can also give online at give.cru.org/0549860.

Thank you for your partnership with us in trusting God to grow the gospel in deeper places in students' lives and to the ends of the earth!

In Christ,

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