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REAL LIFE SAN DIEGO

WITH CAMPUS CRUSADE FOR CHRIST

Spring Quarter is flying by and there is only a month left of the academic year! We've been busy with our first student Women's Retreat, followed by back-to-back outreaches. Thank you so much for being a valuable part of my ministry financially and in prayer. None of this could happen without you!

Women's Retreat Staff Panel



Eighteen girls packed into my house for our first SDSU and UCSD Women's Retreat! Our theme was "Beauty from Ashes". We had a staff panel share areas in our lives where we've seen freedom from various struggles. Following the panel, students could ask anonymous questions to the staff. Then we broke up into small discussion groups. A highlight of the weekend for me was that three of the girls in my All Sorority Bible Study came. I felt like we all got to know one another better and the weekend was a huge breakthrough for them spiritually. It was a great platform to going deeper in our discipleship times this quarter.

"To bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes..." ~Isaiah 61:3

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Part of the mission of CCC is to "WIN" students to Christ. One of the ways we do this is through outreaches on campus. The week before Easter we advertised a CCC evangelistic website, www.everystudent.com. Here, students can explore questions about life and God by reading different articles. They can also email a CCC staff member with questions. In the spirit of Easter and wanting to share this website with students, my All Sorority Bible Study made dinner and filled 100 Easter eggs to give out to their sorority house at chapter meeting. I was proud of the girls for getting up in front of their sisters to talk about a Christian website and announce that they are a part of a Bible Study. It was very encouraging for them to get positive feedback from their friends! I'm excited for any follow up conversations the girls will get to have because of their step of faith.

The following week, Cuesta Community College in San Luis Obispo gave up their Spring Break to come do an outreach at UCSD. We had a large Solarium display (the photo survey I've talked about before) to grab students attention and get into conversations about their opinions on spirituality. Throughout the week almost 1,000 students were approached, resulting in 184 going through the survey and 30 gospel conversations!



Operation Freedom

Join the fight against child sex trafficking. This upcoming week, May 2-4, I am overseeing this outreach. UCSD Real Life (CCC) is partnering with the International Justice Mission (IJM) and the Greek System to raise awareness on campus. On Wed., **May 4th at 8 PM** we're having our main event. This is a great opportunity for students to invite non-Christian friends. At the end of the evening I'll be sharing the Gospel! I invite you to join us! Email me for details :)

Check out my blog to read about our El Salvador Spring Break trip!
www.courtneysterk.blogspot.com

*Lots of Love,
Courtney*