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Dear Friends,

"I went to share the gospel...but I wasn't sure that the gospel was true for me." I (Jonathan) first met Susan,

a sophomore at Providence College, last spring at our first Leadership Summit – a conference for student leaders from schools with no local Crusade staff. She and another student were attempting to change their small ministry from an inward-focused "Christian club" to an outward-focused "movement". She was excited to have staff pour into her for a weekend of good content and practical application as we shared our faith on Boston Common. Susan left that April weekend ready to try some new things on her campus.



I spoke with Susan again at the beginning of November at Preview Weekend (a conference in which we help Juniors and Seniors process what wholeheartedly following Christ looks like after college). She told me a remarkable story about her faith journey over the summer:

I went to the Clearwater Beach Summer Project [a Crusade mission trip in Florida] wanting to share the Gospel of Jesus with other students — but what I was soon confronted with was that I wasn't sure that the gospel was true for me. I wrestled with my doubt for several weeks — until one morning before going to share on the beach, I prayed for God to make a relationship with Jesus true for me, not just in theory but in my heart. And He did! I knew, at that moment, that my faith wasn't just my parents' anymore — I have a personal relationship with Jesus!

Susan is now asking God what He would have her do after college. She is strongly considering spending another summer doing ministry, and may apply to join staff with Campus Crusade!

It is because of students like Susan that we have committed our lives to sharing the life-changing message of Christ with college students. It is a great privilege for us to help create and facilitate conferences like the Leadership Summit, Preview Weekend, and the Boston Winter Conference, where Susan and other students have had life-changing spiritual experiences. God is at work, drawing students to Himself and transforming a generation of future leaders.

As 2010 comes to a close would you consider giving a special gift for our ministry so that we can continue this important work of reaching students, like Susan, for the Lord? Kerri and I have committed to remain in the Northeast indefinitely, and have taken steps towards the purchase of a home at the end of December. We are trusting the Lord for \$20,000 to help cover our down payment, closing costs, and moving expenses. We feel God has led us to this house, and are excited to have our own place to raise our family and minister to others!

You have been so gracious over the years, and for that we give thanks to the Lord. If you are able to help,

please make your check payable to 'Campus Crusade for Christ' and mail it back to us in the enclosed envelope, along with the response card. If you would prefer to give a gift online, go to http://give.ccci.org/give/0550581 and follow the instructions.

Thank you for partnering with us to bring the message of hope to people like Susan.

Yours in Christ,



Yes, Jonathan and Kerri, I want to help you buy a home in Boston for your family and ministry!

Please find my enclosed / online gift of:
Name
Email
Prayer Requests

Please return this card with your check payable to <u>Campus Crusade</u> <u>for Christ</u>, or give online at www.give.ccci.org/0550581. Thank You!