



Pizza Eating Outreach

There are over a thousand athletes in the UW athletic department. Most of them would never be open to jumping into a Bible study or coming to church without some prior connection. They would however come eat free pizza and cheer on a teammate who is competing against fellow athletes in a pizza eating contest. This is our heart behind our annual Pizza Eating Contest: to connect with athletes who we wouldn't normally get to interact with and to give athletes who are already involved with our ministry an opportunity to invite teammates to something that feels more in their comfort zone, with the hope that they might desire something more. We have experienced God using something as crazy as eating pizza be the start of someones faith story/ testimony! They come for pizza, have fun and wonder, "What is it that is different about these people?" Its a launch pad or on-ramp to something bigger. This year we had about 150 athletes join us for the contest! Women's Hockey & Men's Wrestling (for the 7th consecutive time?!?!) were the winners, but the biggest win of the night was that our faith grew by seeing God move, provide, and connect dots that we never could have imagined! Please pray with us for these student athletes to recognize the "hunger" and thirst that they have deep in their hearts. Pray they would seek to satisfy that hunger in a different way and that they would explore how Christ alone can fulfill their need! We are trusting God to do a mighty thing and raise up a Christ follower on each team at UW so that everyone in the athletic department can know someone who follows Jesus!



What's Your Perspective?

This Fall, we are doing a series at Badger Life on Monday nights called Perspectives...

This teaching series provides a disarming & engaging way to come alongside others in their spiritual journey and openly explore with them the most significant questions of life:

Who is God? What is truth? Why are we here? At the kick off of the year we had students take a survey that helped them evaluate what their world view was and what they believe. It got at the core of what they think about and how they operate. Each week we teach about a biblical world view and how that can be trusted. We challenge them to wrestle with different core topics: Nature of God, Meaning & Purpose of Life, Human Nature, Who Jesus Is, The Source of Spiritual Truth. They hear teaching about what the Bible says and then break into discussion groups to engage with their peers on the topic. At the end of the series we will have them take the same survey again so they can see how they have been growing in their "Perspectives" or world view! This week in discussion group one girl who hadn't been to AIA before said, ***"before today I've never thought about any of this stuff, I've never been to church or opened a Bible, but now I want to start figuring out the truth!"***

YAY GOD! Please pray for this sweet freshman and for us as we come along side her in her journey!



Please Pray With Us:

~For the new opportunity Jayne and our staff team has to serve in chaplaincy for UW Women's Basketball

~For our growing Men's ministry, that the guys would continue to grow in their passion for Jesus and that it would be compelling to other men around them!

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It's so awesome to be a part of what God is doing in the lives of athletes & coaches. Thanks for joining us in the mission!

Much love,

Kyle, Jayne, AJ, Leisel & George