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Recently I've been thinking about what really compels me about the vision of Campus Crusade for Christ. I continue returning to the mission statement of CCC: "Launch spiritual movements by winning students to Christ, building them in their faith, and sending Christ-centered multiplying disciples." I've also been searching deeper in my heart to consider what are my God-given passions for ministry. I'm realizing that the Lord has given me a pastor's heart that desires to shepherd and foster people's holistic spiritual growth. In comparison, Jesus did ministry in a similar way.

Jesus' ministry was a short three years, yet how did he choose to spend his time? He selected twelve men who were faithful, available, and teachable with which he could entrust the mission of spreading the gospel. But why spend the majority of his time with only twelve men? These men were bound to betray him, deny him, and doubt him. Jesus knew that his flock were like helpless sheep wandering aimlessly without a shepherd (Mark 6:34). Jesus knew that his church would need strong men to lead after he left; so Jesus spent his time investing in faithful men who would be able to teach others also (2 Timothy 2:2). In his book Masterplan of Evangelism, Coleman writes, "before the world could ever be permanently helped, people would have to be raised up who could lead the multitudes in the things of God."



This summer I am being charged with the privileged task of raising up future leaders who will "lead the multitudes" for the next generation. I will be building into student leaders from campuses all across America who will come to beautiful Crested Butte, Colorado with the desire to grow in character and leadership. The ministry of Lifelines desires to use the outdoors to help students learn how to grow in character and leadership so they can become the leaders needed to carry out the mission set before us by God. What better way to grow and become strong spiritual leaders than by experiencing God's creation in the great Rocky Mountains?! As always, my ministry would not be possible without your partnership and I am SO thankful for it. We will be in Colorado from June 5th to July 12th and I will be sending prayer requests so you can impact these students lives. Also, if you feel led to give a special one time gift to help send me to Colorado this summer, you can find more information below about how to give.

Visiting S.C. this summer

After my time in Colorado, I am traveling back to South Carolina for two weeks in the middle of August. I'm hoping to meet and reconnect with many of you who have been such a blessing to me over the past year. My first year in California has not been easy, but I have felt God's hand sustain me as many of you petition for me. Like Paul said, I can't stop giving thanks for you in my prayers!

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