

Ministry “Meet & Greet” - Part 1

Meet some of Matt’s disciples!

Hao (pictured right) is a Chinese grad student in his second year studying bio-mechanical engineering at IUPUI. I met him at a Friday English club that is hosted by Bridges, the ministry of Cru that reaches out to international students. I started with eating lunch together, while asking questions about his family, interests, and world-view. After a few weeks of building a friendship, Hao began asking questions related to the Bible. That opened the door to me sharing the “Four Spiritual Laws,” which is a short booklet of the essential elements of the gospel. To my surprise, Hao responded during that lunch meeting that he wanted to transfer his trust over to Jesus! Would you pray with me that he would continue growing in his understanding of what it means to follow Jesus. Our hope is when he moves back to China, Hao would be used by the Lord to grow God’s kingdom in his homeland!



Kellen (pictured left) is a junior basketball player at Butler. He and the team just came off a hard loss to Notre Dame in the March Madness tournament. Even though it was tough for him, Kellen shared with me that he’s been rebounding well from it. I have seen lots of growth in Kellen with reliance upon Jesus for his worth and significance.

Being a basketball player at Butler is a tricky world to navigate for a believer. During the season, all eyes of the campus are on these guys with high expectations. The best way I can describe the culture around Butler basketball is “feast or famine.” If they win, all is right with the Butler universe, but if there are too many losses, and the idol of sport doesn’t deliver, the love and attention are quickly gone. Pray for Kellen and other believers on the team that they would find contentment in Christ, not their performance or circumstances.

Seth (pictured right) is a sophomore at IUPUI who is taking the spring semester off to work full-time and save up for classes. He recently switched his major to math from pharmacy after transferring from Purdue. He has a growing heart for missions, and is considering interning with Cru overseas after graduation. We’ve recently been talking about how Seth can develop healthy boundaries in his relationships. Seth has a heart of gold and wants to serve others, but sometimes at the cost of his own spiritual and emotional health. Pray that Seth would be led by God’s Spirit in living with grace and truth, like Jesus did while on earth (John 1:14).



Giving every student the opportunity to hear the good news of Jesus Christ.