

As student-athletes linger in one-by-one, usually 5 to 10 minutes late, we begin to gather and share stories about what God is doing on various teams at Cal Poly. Caroline from the basketball team shares about how she has invested in her teammates for the past four years but still is not sure how to bring Christ to the conversation. Alex from the Lacrosse team shares his frustration that every single guy on the team parties and drinks on the weekends. We open our copies of *God Space* and turn to the chapter titled "Noticing Your Way Into Spiritual Conversations." Our discussion each week is focused on how we can allow conversations about Jesus to happen naturally. Many times that happens when we take the time to simply notice others.

"THEREFORE, WE ARE AMBASSADORS FOR
CHRIST, GOD MAKING HIS APPEAL THROUGH US."
-2 CORINTHIANS 5:20

"Noticing requires me to respond, first, to what the Holy Spirit has allowed me to see. In obedience, I move toward people whether I *feel* like it or not." This truth from the book reminds us that we are to be God's ambassador's in the world. **Please pray with me that Athletes in Action becomes a community of student-athletes that is eager to move towards people with the hope of Jesus,** and that fear of what others think would not hinder us.

Cal Poly SLO is famous!

EPIC is a ministry of Cru which is tailored to reach Asian-Americans, just like AIA is reaching athletes. In the most recent edition of *Worldwide Challenge*, Cru's magazine about what God is doing around the world, there is a featured article about the EPIC movement here at Cal Poly SLO. Some of you receive the magazine from me as a gift, so please make sure to read the story starting on page 28. So exciting! :)

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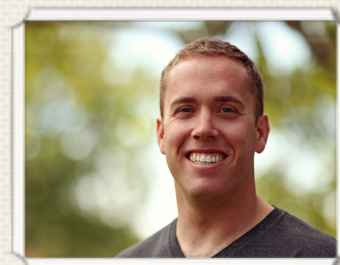


Left: Alex (right) who is an Ambassador on the Lacrosse team

Right: Tyler (right) and Matt (left) Mendoza; leaders in our EPIC movement



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I daily spend myself for God's kingdom by winning students to Christ, building them in their faith, and sending them as kingdom laborers.

"PRAYER IS THE GREATER WORK."

- Pray for 30 college students to sign up for Perspectives class
- Praise that we are seeing increased interest on the soccer and basketball teams!
- Praise that I stayed healthy while running a half-marathon
- Increased hunger for God's word and intimacy with Him

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