

"I was involved with youth group and led worship, but I'm not really interested in Bible study. I just want to focus on school; that's why I'm here." My heart sank, but then God's Spirit quickly gave me discernment that Adam was living a double-life for many years and was tired of "playing" Christianity. "I can understand that" I responded. I began to share my story with Adam and the others about how my freshman year God took away everything I held dear (athletic ability, friends) and exposed my heart to deeper fulfillment in Christ. "I finally realized that knowing the living God was the most meaningful thing, not just pretending like I knew Him." It was incredible to watch Adam's face change before my eyes as he wrestled with that thought. Every freshman that I meet is in such a critical phase of life, struggling to find significance in something or someone. I often will see it happening literally in the moment. *2 Corinthians 4 tells us that God shines the light of the knowledge of his glory in the face of Jesus.* **Pray with me that the Spirit opens every single heart of the 4,000+ freshmen to see God's glory in the gospel.**

FALL RETREAT IS COMING!

"I made a decision to go on STINT to El Salvador at Fall Retreat," said one of our student leaders. Fall Retreat is an incredibly critical time when students make decisions to follow Jesus with their whole lives; some for the first time, others with their first big life decisions. Oct. 21-23 we will get away and hear from Matt Mikalatos, a very witty, engaging, and relevant speaker and writer. He wrote the book *Imaginary Jesus* (highly recommended) which we gave away in our Freshman Survival Kits. Also, **pray that students would sign up early**, making the planning easier for us.

Partnering with you
for the Kingdom,



Left: handing out
2,000 FSKs to
freshmen at SLO
Bound

Right: our staff
team this year;
I'm in the back
middle



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SERVING WITH CRU

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 that those who received our FSKs would actually read *Imaginary Jesus*
- capacity and wisdom as I seek to reach athletes this year
- discernment about possibly leading overseas next summer
- Praise that the Lord is bringing me more peer fellowship!

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