



Dear Friends,

It's often hard to let you know how much we appreciate your partnership in our ministry. So when an opportunity comes along, we want to jump on it.

A valuable resource within Cru is the ministry of FamilyLife, which is a ministry to couples and families. For 40 years, FamilyLife has hosted weekend getaways called "Weekend to Remember" (WTR). Thousands of couples, no matter their season of marriage, have experienced new levels of spiritual, emotional, and physical intimacy.

As a way to say thank you for your partnership with us, we would like to offer you the opportunity to attend the Weekend to Remember marriage getaway at ***75% off the regular registration rate! This offer is valid through the end of 2017.**

The getaway includes two days of practical teaching and insights from the nation's top marriage experts. There is plenty of time to relax and enjoy stress-free time alone.

To take advantage of this opportunity, visit www.familylife.com/locations to select a date and location that works for you. Then enter **promo code "CruThanks"** at checkout to receive your discount.

If you decide to attend, let us know. We'd love to pray for you during that weekend!

Grateful for you,

Matt & Jenny Williams

**Registration covers the conference only and does not include travel, hotel, or food.*

FamilyLife's Weekend to Remember® | *Because Great Marriages Don't Just Happen!*
visit us at www.FamilyLife.com/weekend or call 1-800-FL-TODAY to register.



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Laboring with you to raise up disciples from the college campuses in Indianapolis who will embrace the Great Commission for a lifetime



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Win students to Christ | Build them in their faith | Send them out as disciples

Resources

- Book "The Treasure Principle" by Randy Alcorn
- Podcast "Chris Brown's True Stewardship"
- Budgeting software called "You Need a Budget"

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Praise

Six months ago we met with Carly, a recent Butler grad and first-year teacher. She has already paid of \$9,000 in student loans! :)

Stewardship as a lifestyle

Think back to when you got your first "real job" and had to support yourself. How long did you hold onto that old couch? Was following a budget challenging? Did you think and pray about how God wanted you to use your money and resources?

Today's college graduates face the same challenges; some with the addition of large student loans. Contrary to the narrative in culture, millennials WANT to get jobs and become responsible adults. But they often don't have a real understanding of personal finance. Even more so, few Christians have developed a Biblical worldview about how to manage money and resources.

Because the vision of reaching college students includes "Sending them out as Christ-centered laborers," we want to help them develop a Biblical lens through which they handle their money, talent, and time. Handling God's resources God's way for God's glory. In short, being a good steward! Jesus spoke often about the posture we have toward money, that we have two choices: desire to build God's kingdom, or desire to build my own kingdom. (Luke 12:13-21)

Matt led a six-week Bible study for Cru students to help them learn how to be faithful and wise with their money. The lessons include typical things like budgeting and saving, as well as studying God's word.

We believe the best approach is developing Biblical convictions first, then habits will follow. A disciple of Christ and true steward doesn't live to please other people or cultural expectations; they seek to please their Heavenly Father. **Pray with us that students develop a stewardship mentality that carries through their entire life!**

Summer in Chicago

As Jenny and I wrap up the school year here in Indy, we're getting ready for our summer assignment which is staffing the Chicago Summer Mission. We'll be there May 26th to July 7th — 6 weeks! We will train students in leadership, discipleship, and evangelism. Our hope and prayer is to instill a passion for the Gospel in students that will impact friends, co-workers, and the city. The summer will also prepare them to bring the message and hope of Jesus back to their campuses.

If you live in the greater Chicago area — or will be there at some point — **we would love to connect with you over a meal, coffee, or kids play date!** Please email or text us if you're interested in getting together. We would love to catch up and know how we can pray for you more intimately.

Go to "ChicagoSummerMission.com" for more info