

I walk into an auditorium that is bursting with energy from 160 students, athletes, and adults who are all working toward one goal of packing 200,000 meals for hungry kids around the world. During the two hour shift, the Cal Poly Men's Basketball team is in the mix and getting their hands dirty. Josh is carrying bulk ingredients over to the packing stations; Max and Reese are packing the veggies and rice into the meals; and Coaches Callero and Kirby are labeling bags. It was invigorating to work side-by-side with many Cal Poly teams and clubs.

Last year and this year we partnered with Feed My Starving Children, a Christian humanitarian relief organization, to pack meals that will be shipped free of charge to ministry partners around the world. Many times the meals go to difficult places like North Korea or the horn of Africa. This year we partnered with 45 various clubs, teams, and organizations from Cal Poly. What a strategic opportunity to display the love of Christ to many who would not typically step foot in a church.

Please be in prayer that **God would grant us wisdom about how to best serve and resource the athletic department.** I'm discovering that small things like providing community service opportunities is a step toward building lasting relationships with student-athletes and coaches. The longer I'm here, the more people see I want to be a giver not a taker.

Public speaking here I come

As I continue in vocational ministry, more opportunities come up to communicate truth on a small and large scale. And I'm finding that I enjoy public speaking! Cru offers a week long intensive training, called *Comm Lab*, to help staff grow in their communication skills. During Cal Poly's spring break (March 25-29), I'll be in Indianapolis for the training. Please **pray for energy and capacity all week to fully engage what I'm learning.**

Laboring with you,

Matt



Left: Max and Reese from Men's Basketball helping to pack meals

Right: bowl on the left is what one meal looks like when cooked



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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."

- remaining \$27k to be raised for the meals
- growing interest and possible bball team Bible study
- reading time to prepare for seminary classes this summer
- refreshing time with my sister's family in south FL over the Easter weekend

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