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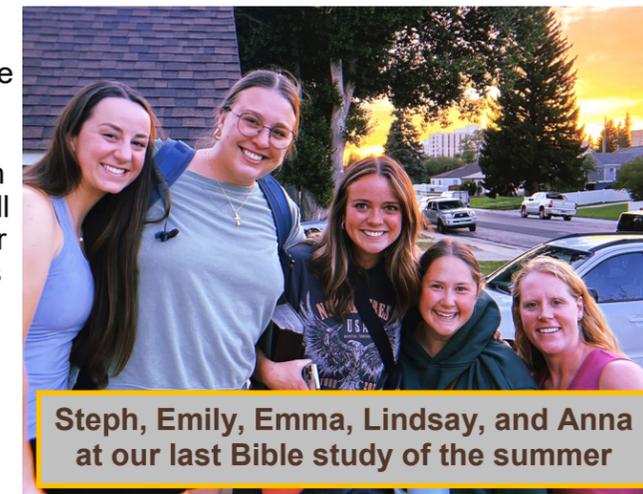
Figuring Out Life and Faith



Laramie Summer and Preparations for Fall

By: Jesse Harvey

The staff here in Laramie have been enjoying Laradise while we study 1 and 2 Thessalonians in our summer bible study and the discussion has been great! We are also beginning to make preparations for the fall semester to begin with freshmen moving into the dorms on August 18th! We will kick off the semester by helping the freshmen move into their cozy new homes alongside making efforts to recruit students to come and experience Jesus at the events we will be hosting over the course of the semester. Much of this endeavor will include making attempts to meet and interact with freshmen during what the university is calling "Saddle Up". Saddle Up is a week-long intro to the university plans for the freshmen before school starts in order to orient them to college life. This is a great opportunity for us to get special time with the freshmen! In that time, we will also be training our leadership teams for the upcoming semester and planning out our teaching series for our large groups, small groups, and setting up discipleship for the semester as well! We can't wait to see what God has in store for us!



Steph, Emily, Emma, Lindsay, and Anna at our last Bible study of the summer



Alumni Overseas?

By: Dave Hughes

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One of the many desires for the CV Next ministry is to offer a short term overseas visit/project. Over the past several decades we have sent 100's of students overseas and on summer projects. Our desire is to have an opportunity to keep the nations on the hearts of CV alumni and ministry partners. We want to provide a 7-14 day trip overseas where there is opportunity to recalibrate those that have left college ministry and help that passion stay kindled. So, in March I was able to take a trip to South Asia with some former students, staff, and my daughter Teagan. The trip severed many purposes. We took alumni Tate and Susan Goodman, we were able to check in on the current place we send students, and we gave an opportunity to Julie, the FCD office administrator, to talk with the friends overseas about logistics for summer teams. I was also able to give Teagan a small picture of the world. We believe the trip was a success. We accomplished all of the above and also shared the gospel in some homes, on a campus, and on the streets. It gave me some good perspective on what might need to happen to be able to take future trips overseas with alumni.



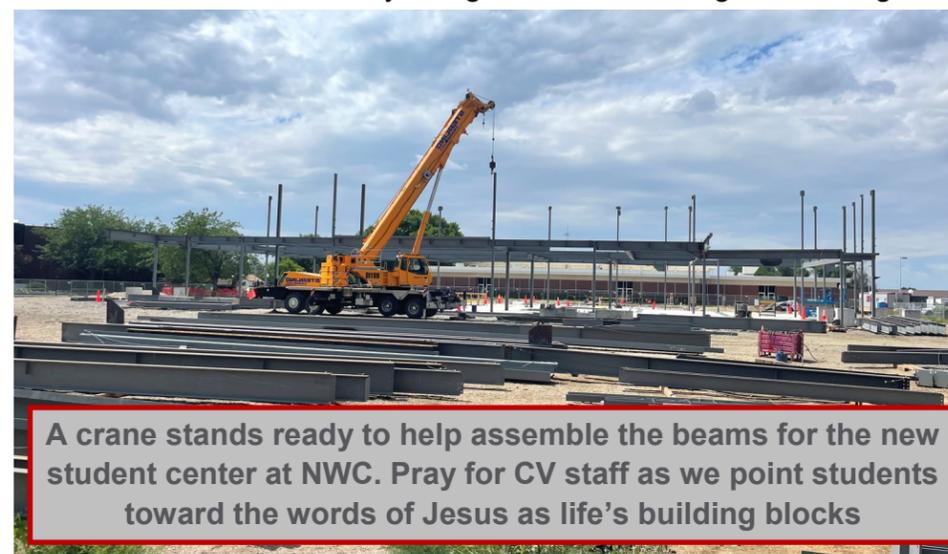
Dave, Teagan, Tayte, Susan, and Julie in South Asia



Build on The Rock

By: Seth Carter

When Jesus taught, He frequently used imagery that was close at hand and relevant to His listeners as word pictures. Many of those word pictures are easy for us to grasp still today. In Luke 6, His message was about wise building. We see building and progress around us all the time. Our family is praying about building an addition on our home so we can more readily offer hospitality to students, family or anyone that would like to visit us in northwestern Wyoming! Northwest College is building a new student center right now, hoping to



A crane stands ready to help assemble the beams for the new student center at NWC. Pray for CV staff as we point students toward the words of Jesus as life's building blocks

attract new students and provide updates for important student services like dining and activities.

Jesus said in Luke 6:48, that a person who hears Jesus' words and puts them into practice is like a wise builder that digs deep and builds a foundation on bedrock. The house built with a firm foundation will hold up when the storms come. Will you please pray for our ministry at NWC? We want to be building wisely on God's Words and encouraging students to build their lives on the only Foundation that will keep them standing during life's storms!



Reaching the Nations on Campus

By: Shane Vietzke

Six years ago, we participated in a program that paired international students with American families to connect them to the surrounding community. We were paired with a Korean student named Tilda. Raised Catholic, we had many conversations with her around our dinner table about Jesus, prayer, and figuring out American life. Since then, Heather and Tilda have kept in touch.

This summer we were able to reconnect with her while she was visiting the USA. She brought her mother, husband, and little sister to our home. One reason for their trip is to drop off her sister, Rina, at the University of Kentucky to begin her own exchange program. As we ate lunch together, we remembered a couple from our time at Oklahoma State University who now live in Lexington and are faithful disciple makers. We asked if we could give their contact information to Rina. Tilda said, "YEEESSS! Thank you so much!! It is really so wonderful!"

We praise God for our time with Tilda and ask that you would pray for Rina's time in Kentucky. Also pray for God to reach international students on each of the CV universities through our staff and students this year.



Tilda (center) and her family meeting our sons



Brought to Complete Unity

By: Justin Gwinn

Do you ever look around at the different denominations within Christianity and think, "Is this what Jesus had in mind when He gave the great commission and sent the Holy Spirit all those years ago?" If so, you're not alone. While I don't have the answers to those questions, I do have evidence of God's faithfulness in His prayer for us as His followers.

One of those evidences is what I've seen God do at SD Mines with all the different Campus Ministries. Since starting in 2018 I have been welcomed into the collection of other campus ministers and watched our groups grow and serve this campus in all kinds of ways. Last year CV had more freshmen to follow up with than ever before, in large part because of these partnership events we co-lead with the other Christian Ministers.

This is a fulfillment of Jesus' prayer in John 17:23 "I in them and you in me - so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me."

We may not be completely unified now, but we are being brought there - Praise Jesus!

Students at last year's Campus Ministries Picnic where around 350 students were fed, welcomed, and introduced to the various Campus Ministries partnering together at SD Mines



Joy in Disciple-making

By: SheraLee Owens

We associate many words with disciple making. We're **called** to do it. People **need** someone who will share their life with them. Making disciples is **inconvenient**, or even seems **impractical**, there are times when it's **discouraging** and downright **hard**. One word I forget to associate with making disciples is **JOY**. This summer we experienced the joy of discipleship when we invited a student to stay in our spare bedroom. Amidst daily activities and late night conversations about life and scripture, this student had some decisions to make. I watched in anticipation, wondering "Will she be obedient to God when her family doesn't support the decision?" "Will she allow herself to be overwhelmed by lies or will she step out in faith, trusting that the Lord is clearing the way for what he has called her to?" We prayed and watched as she submitted to what God was asking of her. We celebrated with her as she realized His faithfulness. We rejoice in her obedience and her increased trust in Jesus. What a **joy** for us to share our lives with her and to see a life transformed by the faithfulness of our great God.



SheraLee was thankful to have a student who wanted to learn to make a quilt this summer



Third Year is a Charm

By: Jeff Gouldie

As we begin the third year of Chadron State Campus Ventures, we are excited to see what God will do! At the end of the Spring semester, we had a pretty mixed group of believers, new Christians, and non-Christians. A number of students had never opened a Bible prior to attending CV. We also had a predominately male group. Our planning team did a phenomenal job of inviting students throughout the year. Over the summer, we said goodbye to our intern, Jack Govaerts, when he moved back to Laramie and got married. We were sad to see him go; he was instrumental in building structure for our group. Yet, we are grateful for God's provision of another intern!



CV Students who attended Jack Govaerts wedding in June (Jeff got to perform the ceremony)

God has answered our prayers for a female staff member! Beulah Black Cloud comes to us from Black Hills State. She has great excitement and zeal to grow CV's female influence on campus and to reach the students of CSC. We are excited to have her! Please pray for us this Fall as we continue to disciple our students from last year, as well as students new to CV this year, to walk with Jesus, being obedient to do what He tells us to do (Matt 28:18-20). Pray for Beulah as she connects with the women on campus, possibly beginning a women's Bible study.

Praises & Prayer Requests:

- For the four new believers that we know of so far
- For follow up with new believers

- For all the gospel appointments taking place as the school year begins while our staff/students follow up on interest cards

- A new year and a new CV campus! Pray for Travis Shoults (BH & CC alum), and his team, as they reach students at Eastern Wyoming College in Torrington, WY

- Praise that our new staff member Beulah is fully supported and prayers for her transition into the new year at a new school

- For Julie, FCD office manager, who is on sabbatical until October. Pray she would be refreshed/renewed in the Holy Spirit to lead well in the coming years

- For our office staff to keep things running smoothly while Julie is on sabbatical
- For God to raise up "laborers for the harvest"

- Praises for the 4 staff babies born last year (AJ Lewis, Brooklyn Keyworth, Camden Christner, and William Bordewyk) and prayers for the 2 current staff pregnancies