

INSIDE CV

Figuring Out Life and Faith



Casper College

Fun in the Sun
By: Tyler Owens



Summer CV outside the Owens House

Porches and back yards were the place to be this summer as students who stuck around Casper gathered to dig deeper in God's Word. We didn't have a theme or a specific book, but what we did have were hungry minds looking to learn how to feed themselves from the food Jesus says He has in Matthew 4:4. The people coming were so eager to grow, we handed the wheel over to them, and each week one of them would study a topic they wanted to learn more about and lead the Bible study on it. Topics included conflict resolution, depression, being the light Jesus called us to be in dark places, and the

students who led blew us away.

Our students learned that they have everything they need for life and godliness through knowing Jesus as 2 Peter 1:3-4 tells us. They can lead and show others Christ's truth and love! Now summer is waning and a new semester has kicked off. We've found that about 1/3rd of our new group are non-believers. Pray that students from this summer would maintain that vigor and share Christ's love with their new peers.



Northwest College

Five Guys Discipleship Vibes
By: Hunter Christner

It has been a Kickoff to remember at NWC this fall. We had a group of seven returning students came to town early to prepare to serve campus with some cleaning and training exercises. We also had a team come from a church in Montana to join our Move-In Crew. We had over 40 amazing contacts just on Move-In Day. It has been great to hear about where they all have come from and where they want to go.



Move-in Crew!

"Starting with the end in mind" is the theme of the first few weeks of our weekly worship, which we call Trailhead. Where is it that you want to end up? What are you looking for? These are the questions we are considering. Trailhead is in a prime location this year, downstairs in the brand-new Student Center where people are going in and out for dinner. In week two we took a look at Hebrews 12:2. It was encouraging to learn that Jesus is the Pioneer/Author/Leader of our faith, as well as the Perfecter/Finisher/Completer of our faith. He surrounds us on either side as we live out our faith.

There are five guys living in our ministry house right across from campus who are growing in their faith and are fully embracing the opportunity they have to be leadership students. Pray for the five guys as they look for someone to meet with and disciple just like they have seen our staff do with them over the last year. Pray that we might get to be a significant part of where the new students we have connected with are going in the next year on their journey through life.



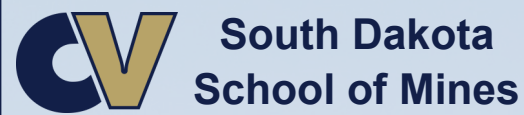
University of Wyoming

Curious Gen-Z
By: Heath Dancy

Campus Ventures at UW has a brand-new team! We are so excited about our four new interns. Matt, Konrad, Zach, and Jonny have done an amazing job to start the semester. It has been so fun to see their heart for college students from the very first day of Fall Launch. Our team has done a wonderful job reaching out to Freshmen during Saddle-UP, which is a week-long Freshmen orientation. We've been praying over Ephesians 3:20 as Paul writes, "Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us..." and we have seen this verse come to life. Our student leadership teams and staff have been blessed with so many opportunities to share the gospel that three students have already come to Christ! Praise the LORD! We are seeing a great curiosity in our students and have had great turnouts at our CV night, our small groups, and even rainy events! Please pray as we follow-up and get students connected to community and discipleship.



Exciting to see students back at CV this year!



Hour of Prayer By: Denise Ryherd

On August 14, a week before freshman move in, a group of students, CV staff, and a support partner gathered on campus to come before the Lord in prayer. As we formed a circle in the grass between the library and the classroom building and spent a full hour praying, one after another without pause. It was such a blessing to hear these students earnestly asking God to draw them closer to Jesus, to use them to build His kingdom and to make them bold to share the gospel with their classmates and friends. As this year has started, it is evident that God is answering prayer. So many students are open and seeking. We pray that these students will come to saving faith and be disciplined through Campus Ventures this year!



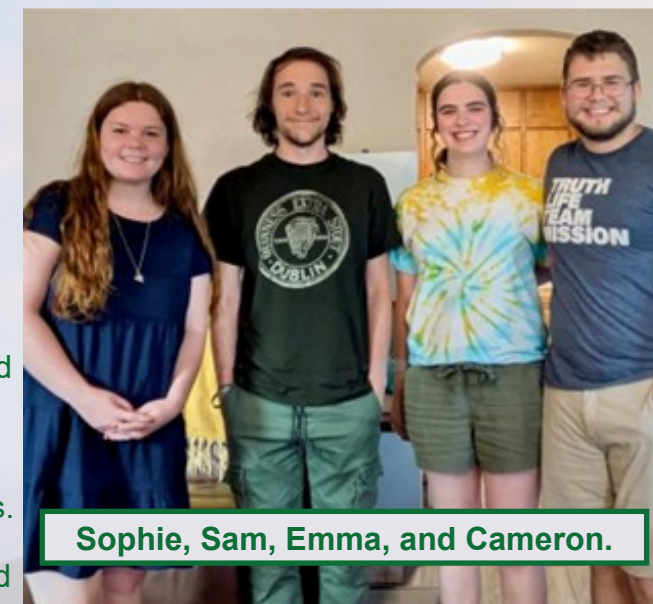
Students and a support partner in prayer



New Creation By: Carly Scheuerman

This summer we hosted Summer CV in our home while Cameron and Emma, married students on our Servant Team, led the group discussion. Another student, Sophie, showed up ready with her questions each week. "What would it mean to make Jesus Lord of my life?" "What would I need to give up?" "What would I gain?" One night, Emma and I sat with Sophie after Bible study and spent over an hour talking through questions and sharing our own testimonies.

The following week I wasn't around for the meeting, but when I came into the living room later, I entered a lively discussion between Sophie and four other students on how God watches the heart, not the outer appearance. I was thrilled by the way our students took it on with such engaging and loving hearts toward Sophie. As I watched Sophie, I thought she seemed different. Later that night Emma pulled me aside to say, "Sophie gave her life to Jesus tonight!" And there it was. Of course she was different! Pray for her discipleship and friendship with CV students to draw her nearer to the Lord, and pray that He would encourage her daily in her new faith.



Sophie, Sam, Emma, and Cameron.



Training Ambassadors By: Jacob Haertel

On August 18, we held an event called 'Decoding CSC.' We gathered a group of students and gave them a list of obscure locations to find around Campus. Pictured here are the three teams who finished the task fastest, each including some of our returning CV students and some freshmen. Last spring, we trained a group of six freshmen in evangelism through our very first Leaders in Training (LIT) Team. We invite you to



Top three teams to finish 'Decoding CSC'

pray that the Lord would work through these students as they continue to be ambassadors for Christ on campus! It has been wonderful to see how the Lord has already used these students to reach their peers. We recently had our first CV large group meeting of the semester, and it was the largest group of students in CSC's Campus Ventures' five-year history! We are also reaching out to freshman and transfer students through a new group called Freshman Connect. This group is activity focused, with the goal of connecting students with each other and with Jesus. Please pray for new connections among these freshmen!



Be Encouraged By Dave Hughes



In our walk with Jesus, there are times it's difficult seeing where God is at work, and question if He's at work at all in us or others. Sometimes in full-time ministry, we accept the lie we aren't supposed to have "down" days. Earlier this summer, I had one of those days. I cried out, "Lord, has there been any fruit from the last 25 years of working with students and alumni?" In His love and kindness, God already prompted a former student to send this text encouraging me out of a "down" day: He said, "Preaching 2 Timothy 2:1-7 this week. Wouldn't be doing it without Paul passing to Timothy, Timothy passing it to whoever, which eventually came to you, who passed it onto me! Praise the Lord for the faithfulness of His saints! Love you Dave! I wouldn't be the pastor, husband, and father I am today without you! You will never know how thankful I am for you. I'm not sure I even really know! Keep up the great gospel work." I was, am, and will be encouraged and hope you will be as well - God is at work regardless of us seeing it or not.

Prayer requests:

- Praise for the 5 new staff this year! Pray they will all be fully supported soon!
- Praise for the staff baby born last year, Avery Scheuerman!
- For students, staff, and the speaker, to encounter Jesus at Fall Retreat (September 26-28). Pray that they will be living in God's abundant grace.
- For God to call more students to summer mission projects, overseas and in Denver. These decisions will mostly be made during the Fall semester.
- For all the gospel appointments taking place as the school year begins while our staff/students follow up on interest cards.
- Praise for more students showing up and getting involved in God's work on our campuses. We have seen increased interest on almost all of our campuses this Fall!