Prayer News and Updates for the Partners of



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BRING ON THE NEW STAFF

Over 220 New Staff Training This Summer

The Lord has done an amazing work in the hearts and lives of over 220 young people! They have answered the call of God and have said, "Here am I, Lord. Send me." Now they are diligently studying God's Word and receiving training as new Cru staff at Rollins College, a small private institution just north of downtown Orlando.

I (Steve) was excited to meet with a small group among these new staff who recently returned from a year of international internship. I was encouraged to hear the stories of what God had done in them and through them during their year overseas and I was able to share connections and possibilities for their next steps.

A couple of interns joining staff had spent the past year in India, helping our ministry plant a movement at a mechanics engineering college. A very innovative strategy developed as our interns saw the old models of cars the students were working on in the shop. The interns decided to invite executives at the local Porsche dealer and other car dealers to donate to the school and give the students new cars to work on. The execs got excited about the idea and



actually donated several new cars! Our Cru team was able to present the cars to the school and during the program explained that Cru is a new club on campus helping students grow in their faith in Christ. The students were so excited about the new cars and the club that had helped provide them that our club membership grew a lot! Our interns were praising God that He raised up 3 student leaders to continue to grow the Cru club on that campus as their term finished.



Steve and some of the new staff training now.

Two other interns, Debbie and Jamie, told about their experiences serving in Puerto Rico for the past 2 years. They were reaching out to athletes at the 3 main universities there. While it was really hard the first year, this past year they saw God work mightily in the lives of some student athletes.

One young athlete from Peru shared that she became a strong runner because she had to run 8 miles to school each day as a child. Leiti ended up winning an athletic scholarship to the university in Puerto Rico.

She came to know the love of Jesus through the interns and was discipled in her faith by the local team. Leiti has been texting her family to share the Gospel of Christ and teach them all she has been learning.

Debbie and Jamie also thanked God that a top volleyball player came to Christ and got excited about what she learned from her first Bible study. That athlete has now become the leader for that Cru group on her campus. We praise God to hear about the fruit that He has produced through our work of sending new laborers!

Remember Akiko?

Rochelle has continued to meet regularly with Akiko for Japanese Bible study. We're excited to share that she recently expressed that she had prayed to receive Christ!

Now Rochelle is helping her discover how to grow in Christ, and they both enjoy the bilingual study time. She hopes to use the Japanese follow up material Cru has developed at www.iesuomiru.com.

Pray for Akiko's family (her son and husband) to also come to know Jesus and for Akiko to find a good church nearby.



THANK YOU!

We know that none of this ministry of sending laborers and seeing God work in lives of students around the world could happen through us without YOU! You enable us to serve the Lord with Cru through your prayers and finances. We so love and appreciate you and would love to hear from you! May God bless you abundantly!



Very happy to have our son Ben visit us for a week and spend time with family. Blessings in Jesus, Steve, Rochelle, and Josh