Prayer News and Updates for the Partners of



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STUDENTS AT SPRING BREAK



Student teams from two schools in Kentucky who joined in on the Houston serve week.

University go to Houston, TX to do relief work in the community. We had the opportunity to help rebuild houses and encourage people who were greatly impacted by the storm.

Together with the other Cru college students and staff we did some physically and emotionally hard work. The Lord definitely was at work that week in the lives of the home owners we were helping and in the lives of the students who came with us, including some not yet Christians.

It was an amazing opportunity to share the love of Christ and explain why we were doing what we were doing. Through the relationships built and conversations that were had, 2 We all know students love to get away to the beach or some adventure over their spring break.

But for 430 Cru staff and students this spring break was a time to engage with the emotional devastation and home damage as a result of Hurricane Harvey and the flooding that followed.

Staff member Courtney Bumgardener shares: This spring break we had 37 students and staff involved with University of Kentucky and Transylvania



Courtney (on ladder) and her coworkers from KY, including one of those who trusted Christ.



of the girls became followers of Christ! Praise the Lord for new sisters in Christ!

Courtney also built relationships with 5 Chinese girls who came with the team. She was able to share about Jesus with them and hopes to continue to teach them God's word in the next few weeks. Please ask God to lead these girls to faith in Christ.

Other teams of Cru students went to Puerto Rico to serve in similar work and share Christ.

A couple thousand others were at work sharing Christ with their classmates and other students on the beach in Florida as well. The team shared: "One student, Lexi, was



"Like Arrows" Debuts May 1

Cru's family ministry, FamilyLife, has been serving for 42 years with the vision of seeing *Every Home a Godly Home*. And time and time again, couples have expressed that one of their biggest challenges in achieving a godly home is parenting. To help, FamilyLife is launching an all new Gospelcentered parenting initiative next month.

This initiative will include a video-based small group curriculum, online course, devotionals, and more. The initiative launches on May 1st with FamilyLife's first full-length feature movie, Like Arrows.

On May 1 and 3 only, Like Arrows will be shown in over 800 theaters across the country. It invites audiences to witness one couple's raw parenting journey and promises to stir the hearts of parents and church leaders toward intentional action.

The response with early audiences has been overwhelming, with many saying they were encouraged by the film that it is never too late to be intentional and bring God into the center of their home. Check out the trailer at LikeArrowsMovie.com (where you can also get tickets – for yourself, and maybe for a friend who might need some Gospel encouragement too!).

Let's join the FamilyLife staff in praying that God uses Like Arrows to motivate and encourage tens of thousands of families on May 1 and 3.

http://familylifeministries.org/likearrows/

able to lead a high school senior to Christ named Madison. It just so happens that after graduation, Madison will be attending the same college that Lexi attends... Illinois State University. Lexi plans to keep in contact with Madison and follow up with her this fall. We have seen our sovereign God orchestrate divine appointments like this all week. He is so good."

Over 3 weeks on the beaches Cru students shared with over 3000 people and saw 255 of them put their faith in Christ. Pray for fruitful follow up as these new believers connect with Cru on their campuses.

We hope you've been encouraged by these stories of how God is at work. It is such a privilege for us to serve this growing movement of God by helping get the workers into the harvest around the world. God is good! May He bless you to be a blessing today!

With love in Jesus, Steve and Rochelle