

## Football Team Shares Christ



Nearly 2,000 students and community members descended on Ohio State's College Green Park for its second annual Fall Kickoff: An Invitation to Follow Jesus. The Ohio State football team partnered with Cru and 15 other student organizations and churches for the event, which drew a crowd double the size of last year's.

Five current OSU football players explained that Christ is the center of everything they do. "No play we make on the field—no touchdown, no interception—can compare to the kingdom of God," said Buckeye safety

Caleb Downs, as quoted in OSU's school newspaper's article. Read about it here: [bit.ly/footballbaptism](http://bit.ly/footballbaptism)

More than 100 students came forward to make significant decisions for Christ and more than 50 students were baptized, including multiple players from the football team!

One article in The Silver Bulletin said, "One of the main messages from the athletes over the last two seasons has been that they have been blessed with a platform and they want to use it to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ." Read more here: [bit.ly/osuplayers](http://bit.ly/osuplayers)

We are hearing great news about high school and college movements growing all over the country. This OSU story is just an example of similar outreaches that are happening. We also recognize that behind these steps of faith and growth are staff and interns helping these young leaders develop.



Rochelle and I are privileged to be part of the team helping get staff and interns to these campuses. We pray that these student leaders determine to live as Christ's disciples for a lifetime, impacting many with the grace and truth of our great Savior Jesus. We trust that some will also join us with Cru.

We praise God for you and we thank you for your prayers for us, and for our work sending out new laborers. Please let us know how we can pray for you and your family.

With love in Jesus,  
 Steve & Rochelle