

## **The day-to-day of ministry:**

*“In my opinion, the only way to change the world is to change individuals. Changed people, in sufficient numbers, will produce changed campuses, changed communities, changed cities, changed states and nations—yes in a real sense, a changed world.”*

-Bill Bright (Transferable Concepts, How You Can Introduce Others to Christ)

This is such an obvious truth and yet at the same time so profound. It is through individuals that change happens. When I step on campus I am at times overwhelmed with the sheer number of students we are trying to reach for Christ. I remember driving through campus one day and seeing all these people walking in and out of dorms, along the road, going to or coming from campus. I had this weight come on me because I realized that many of the students I was looking at did not know Christ. The weight became heavier when I realized that I didn't know them. Then to realize that it was very likely that I would not even meet most of them in my year at Stevens Point.

It was a sobering moment--so many lost students needing Christ and realizing that by myself I could not reach all of them. But I can reach individuals. I can reach a certain number with the message of the Gospel. I can then invest in those that respond so that they can then turn around and bring the message to their circle of friends. I can build into the Christians that are already here. I can encourage them and provide support and resources to help them as they share with their friends. In this way the body of Christ lifts the weight of the campus.

So that you can be praying for specific individuals here are some of the students in our span of care. Be praying for the Christians; that they would grow and be bold in their witness with their lives. Pray for the non-Christians; that they would be spiritually sensitive and that they would ultimately come to know Christ.

## **Span of Care:**

⇒You and I as a ministry team:

⇒Guys in Discipleship:

J.D, Barett, Scott, Anthony, Dan, Dave

⇒Guys in Bible Study:

Justin, Nathan, Jeremy, Chris, Andy, Tony, Ben

⇒2<sup>nd</sup> Gen discipleship (guys being worked with by those in discipleship):  
Andy, Ben, Peter, Ross, Jonah

⇒Lighthouse Ministry:

Kent Andy Lance Seth Joel Charlie Katie Nick Lindsey  
Tyler Elliot Brian Mike Ryan Corey Justin Britta Rigo Juan

Those in discipleship and Bible Study are Christians. Those under “lighthouse ministry” are non-Christians.

⇒Special Prayer:

Eric and Ben (Ben from Bible Study):

In Luke 10 Jesus talks about the “man of peace.” On the second floor of Pray-Sims Hall, Eric and Ben are the “men of peace.” I believe that they can be used to reach that entire floor and hall. Pray that they would catch the vision!

Mike and Matt:

Both are influential students in Steiner Hall. I’m not sure if they really understand what it means to be a follower of Christ. They both come from church backgrounds so they have all the right answers. Pray that either they would live out what they say their beliefs are, or that they would truly come to know Christ and in that way live it out. The outcome I believe would be the same with many in their halls impacted for Christ through them.

New Believers:

Anselmo (in follow-up), Chris (in Bible study), Steve

Pray that they would all grow. Anselmo and Chris are taking steps to grow, including follow-up, going to Bible study, and attending Cru (the weekly meeting.) Pray that I would know what to share with each of them to help them grow. Steve however has not been easy to get together with. Pray that he would see the importance of community and growth.

Hopefully this gives you a better understanding of what the ministry you are involved with looks like on a day-to-day level. It is a ministry to individuals with a campus/worldwide vision.

Thank you for your prayers. I believe that prayer is the most essential part of this ministry. Without it the ministry is just a bunch of humans doing things in their own power. Here is a quote that has impacted me in the past couple of days to be praying more. I printed out a bunch of copies to hang up all over the apartment to remind me of the power of prayer.

*“The one concern of the devil is to keep the saints from prayer. He fears nothing from prayerless studies, prayerless work, prayerless religion. He laughs at our toil, he mocks at our wisdom, but he trembles when we pray.”*

-Jonathan Edwards

Working together to fulfill the Great Commission in this generation,

Dan <<  
Jer 20:9