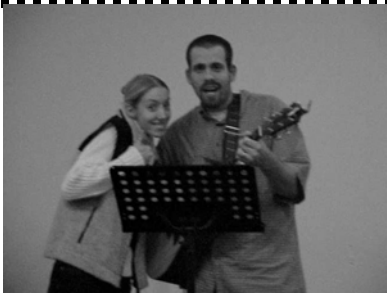


Notes from Dan (& DeAnn)



DeAnn and I setting up for the weekend and then my brother and I playing at the talent show.

*Thanks for being a part of this ministry!

It seems the longer I am here (and granted I've only been here a short while) the more I see God's hand at work on campus and in the lives of students. It is only because you chose to partner with me in ministry that I am able to see guys come to Christ and grow in their relationship with Him here at Stevens Point. Thank you for your prayers and for your heart to see students impacted for Christ.

*Freshmen

The freshman strategy is a big part of ministry at Stevens Point. Everyone is a freshman once. Our goal is to reach the entire student body for Christ. Therefore, if we reach every freshman every year, in four years we have reached the entire campus. We started the year with the Freshmen Survival Kits. Then we had 42 freshmen at Fall GetAway. Another tool we are using are daily planners that we give away with the gospel inside. And finally we are starting a "prayer, care, share" effort in the dorms with freshmen praying for their freshmen friends and eventually sharing with them.

*Things to pray about:

That I would see one radical conversion by the end of the semester.

That Brendan would come to Christ.

That students would see their friends come to Christ during "One Day of Faith."

*Fall GetAway

The big event since my last letter was the fall retreat, or "Fall GetAway." D.L. Moody once said that if he were to start over in ministry the one thing he would do differently would be to have more retreats and conferences. His reasoning behind his statement was that during retreats and conferences he saw the most growth happen in peoples spiritual lives. There is just something about getting away from it all and spending solid time focused on God. It is amazing how God uses that time in peoples lives.

Fall GetAway was no exception. There were 142 students that came to the retreat. The speaker this year was Germaine Keller. He spoke on the "4 p's" of Purpose, Passion, Priority, and People. He was a powerful speaker who challenged all of us to evaluate our lives in those areas. We also had student-led workshops (an idea stolen from the MTU retreats!!!) on many different topics ranging from The Spirit-filled Life to Men's and Women's times, to Viewing People as People not Projects. While all of these were great, perhaps the most incredible part of the weekend was simply the focused fellowship centered around God.

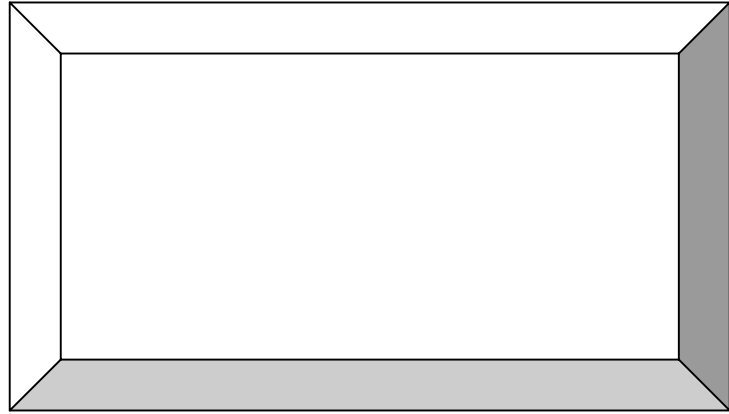
For me, the most memorable moment came at the very end of the weekend. A guy named Brendan, who is not a believer in Christ, came up to me and we were chatting about the weekend. He told me that although he wasn't there yet, the weekend had brought him very close (speaking of a real relationship with Christ) and that the biggest part of the weekend for him was the love that he had experienced from others. I look forward to sharing with you in the future when Brendan comes to a saving knowledge of who Christ is.

Aside from Brendan there were many others who came and found themselves recharged with a new passion for Christ. Praise God!!!

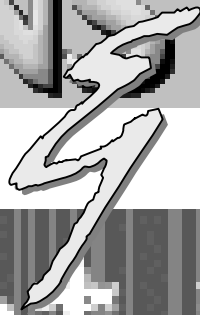


Together Turning Lost Students into Christ Centered Laborers!

Brendan, from the story of Fall GetAway, continues to come to Cru!



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Student Impact

All around the country, on many different campuses, there is a movement taking place of friends sharing Christ with their friends in an intentional way. I am a big fan of relationship evangelism but the problem with relationship evangelism is that many times there are great relationships built but with little or no evangelism happening. This is where the "One Day of Faith" strategy comes in.

I said a little about the "prayer, care, share" effort taking place already; it is through this that "One Day" is happening. We are challenging the students to pick five of their unsaved friends and pray for them everyday for two weeks. Then for two more weeks find ways to tangibly show Christ's love to them. Finally Dec. 4th is the one day of faith where each student intentionally shares the gospel verbally with their friends for whom they have been praying and caring.

**One Day of Faith*

Fall GetAway Group Photo



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