

A Heart For the World

Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." ~Mathew 28: 18-20



Recently I asked myself what I would define as a successful year of ministry here in Australia; what do I want to pray and work hard for. The answer, seeing the 5 students I currently mentor have a heart for God and a heart to share Jesus with people who don't know him, both now and for a lifetime.

It has been so encouraging to see God working in the hearts of Kristin (above center), Shannan, Becc, Anne-Marie and Ruth. Last year Shannan (above right) was hesitant to talk about God on campus, this year she is going on a three week mission to Indonesia to share God's love. Ruth (above left) has grown from a reserved first year student into a second year student who seeks every opportunity to share Jesus with her peers. She now meets weekly with one of her classmates, Amenia, to talk about Christianity.

Over the past year God has changed Becc's life completely. With this change has come the desire to serve God on campus. This year Becc has begun to lead a Bible study and has partnered with me in the area of fellowship. Together we plan the weekly socials and monthly fellowship events—including our upcoming women's time. Becc has a passion and vision of doing ministry and is praying to see if God would have her join Student Life after graduation.

I left the U.S in February trusting that the Lord would bring in the rest of the finances I need to continue pouring into these women and the ministry. Currently I am uncertain of the exact amount still needed due to several factors including the declining value of the U.S. dollar, the need to renew my visa before the year is out, and the possibility of having to pay taxes here in Australia. I trust that whatever amount I need the Lord will provide.

You have all been so influential in the ministry here. Your prayers and giving have helped mold this ministry into a growing, student lead, Christ focused movement. I could not be here without all of you! I would like to ask you all to consider giving a little extra this month so that I may see my financial need fully met. Would you consider giving whatever amount the Lord may lead you to give so that I may continue to minister on this campus through December? I pray that each of you would honestly ask the Lord if you should give, and if so what amount. I pray that you would see this as an opportunity to give to the Lord's work and his kingdom. Please give whatever the Lord lays on you heart to give whether that be \$10, \$100, or \$1,000.

"Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

~2 Corinthians 9:7

My prayer is that the Lord would know how much I need and that he would guide you all to help fulfill that need. If you feel called to give please use the envelope provided to mail back your financial gift made out to Campus Crusade for Christ. Or you can give online at: <https://give.ccci.org/give/0583706>. Thank you so much for all that you do and are doing to make this year a successful one. You are all valued and appreciated more than you know.

Prayer and Praise

- Thank Jesus that we had an amazing Connexions camp. 16 students came to meet new friends, get trained in ministry, and catch the vision of Student Life.
- Thank God for our growing ministry. Pray that we would see new students come to know Jesus.
- Continue to pray that God would provide for my financial need.
- Pray for our Men's and Women's times coming up at the end of the month. Pray that these times would give our students a greater view of God and his role in their lives.

In Him,
~Rachel Larson

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