



The CCO Ministry of Mike & Beth Mattes in Metro Columbus

Walking Together



transforming college students
to transform the world

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Philippians 2:1-2

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August Newsletter
at a Glance

- Baby showers and travels to Pennsylvania
- Special prayer for baby Jillian (second cousin)
- Jubilee 2010, the excitement is already mounting
- Ohio State ministry prepares for Involvement Fair and new Bible study
- Area Day offers an opportunity for Ohio staff to collaborate together
- God hears and answers prayers! May we walk together in prayer.
- THANK YOU for your financial support this past fiscal year!

What we are Reading

BETH

Baby Bargains

MIKE

The Expectant Father

TOGETHER

Harry Potter Book 6

Baby Showers

Written By Beth & Mike

August was the month for baby showers to celebrate the upcoming birth of Baby Mattes. At the beginning of August, we were able to travel to Pennsylvania and spend time in both of our childhood hometowns. Thanks to our moms, Beth enjoyed a beautiful baby shower with close friends and family during our visit to each hometown. We really enjoyed the opportunity to see many of you and we want to thank everyone who was able to come to the showers. Thank You for showering us with so much love as we look forward to the birth of our baby!

During each visit, it was a joy to be around so many babies and kids as we anticipate the arrival of Baby Mattes. In Beth's hometown we met for the first time our second cousin, Cameron (two years old already!). In Mike's hometown we met for the first time our newest nephew, Ethan, as well as our newest second cousin,

Jillian. We would ask for special prayers for Jillian as she will be undergoing heart surgery this Fall.

Towards the end of August, some of our friends

from church threw Beth a baby shower. It was a real joy to be able to celebrate with many of you here in Columbus... thank you for your love for us in our new hometown!

We are now working on getting the nursery ready for Baby Mattes and doing our best to prepare for life with a baby! With less than a month to go before the baby is born, we are both eagerly anticipating parenthood. Thank you so much for all your love & prayers!



Pooh Baby Shower Cake!

Jubilee 2010

Written By Mike & Beth

I know what your probably thinking, "Isn't it a little early to be talking about Jubilee?" No. The early bird registration for Jubilee is the beginning of October and staff are already beginning to encourage students to register for the conference. Therefore it is not too early to ask for your financial and prayer support for helping students be able to attend Jubilee! Please pray that God will move in the lives and hearts of students to register early for the upcoming 2010 Jubilee conference. We ask that if you are interested and able, that you might consider helping us offer scholarships to Ohio State students to be able to attend the transformational conference. To make a financial donation, please send



a check to us (address on back of newsletter) make the check out to the "CCO" and in the memo write "Ohio State Jubilee". Thanks!

This year's Jubilee theme is: "In Him [Jesus] All Things Hold Together". You can find out more at: www.jubileeconference.com

Fall Quarter Approaching

Written By Beth

Most colleges have already started and are in full swing, but Ohio State has a few more weeks of summer. Thankfully, the Fall quarter is approaching quickly and we have less than a month until Ohio State is in full swing for another year!

Since Baby Mattes is due the first week of class, I have been diligently planning ahead for the Fall quarter. One of the largest events on campus is the Involvement Fair, which happens the Monday before classes begin. All student based groups, businesses, and clubs are on “the oval” advertising and recruiting students to their respective organizations. The CCO will be having a “booth” and I have been working on a couple of my student leaders to be at the booth inviting woman to come to our weekly Bible study and join in discipleship relationships for the year. I am praying that, through the Involvement Fair, we can get to know some new female students who would be interested in being part of our

CCO student group.

I continue to work with two of my students leaders, Tiffany and Laura on preparing Bible studies for the Fall quarter. We just finished creating ten studies on Jesus’ parables so that when the quarter starts they can both co-lead the study together while I am recovering from having a baby! The girls have done a really good job this summer by learning how to prepare an inductive Bible study and developed confidence in their ability to facilitate a small group study. I am very excited to have seen these two women grow in their relationship with Christ this summer.

As the Fall quarter is just around the corner, you can pray for some new female students who would like to be a part of our ministry and that the student leaders will allow Christ to be in the center of their lives as they begin to lead others.



A glimpse of last year’s OSU Involvement Fair



“Looks like I have the chance to sit in for Tigger.”

- Lewis, Our Golden Retriever

CCO Ohio Area Day

Written By Mike

At the beginning of August, Beth and I hosted most of the Ohio CCO staff at our house for an “Area Day” gathering. This specific CCO Area Day served two main purposes: (1) build a sense of CCO area identity in Ohio and (2) strategic ministry planning for the 2009-10 school year.

In an effort to build a CCO Ohio identity, we enjoyed a potluck meal together and staff had the opportunity build upon relationships (both new and old) with one another over delicious food. Veteran staff had the opportunity to meet some of our newly placed staff in Ohio. New staff got to experience and see that they are a part of the larger CCO team in Ohio. Some veteran staff got to meet each other for the first time! After our meal together we had space to make some CCO organizational announcements and have a small unveiling of Jubilee 2010.

The second piece of our time together was focused on strategic planning of the school year.

This time was spent with a small presentation on CCO expectations in strategic planning and defining expectations for the school year. I was also able to help staff use the same language across ministries when talking through their hopes of what they desire to see God accomplish in their particular context, co-operative and on the campus they serve. It was a joy to see all the of the staff vision cast together ways to better serve Christ’s kingdom within their work with college students throughout Ohio.

Please pray that God continue to move mightily in the CCO ministries throughout the state of Ohio as our staff presently have the opportunity to reach out to over 120,000 students during the 2009-10 school year!



We enjoyed most of our Area Day in our backyard

Prayerful Thanks & Supplication

Written by Mike and Beth

August has been an incredible month of seeing God's amazing grace in our lives through the love and care of family and friends.

We want to thank the Lord for...

- The baby showers for us and Baby Mattes and the opportunity to gather together with friends and family.
- Our Baby's continued growth and development and that both Beth and the Baby are in good health going into the final month of pregnancy.
- Continued safety for Mike as he visited with staff to colleges and universities as they begin the 2009-10 school year.
- Bringing us through three years of marriage and that He has given us the joy of a safe pregnancy.
- Ohio State students who are willing to step up and take leadership roles in the ministry this upcoming school year.
- You and your role in serving with us in college ministry through your generous gifts and prayers!

We want to ask the Lord for...

- Continued health for Beth and the baby as we await the arrive of our little baby and for a Safe delivery! (Expect a Baby announcement with our next Newsletter!)
- Our Ford Taurus (with 165,000 miles), that it may continue to run smoothly until we find the right used car to allow Mike to travel without worries of breaking down.
- Prayers on behalf of Ohio State students as they prepare to come back to school on September 23rd and that many will get involved in the CCO campus ministry.
- New supporters who would like to support us both prayerfully and financially this upcoming school year.

Please let us know how we can be in prayer for you throughout the coming month! We know that life takes both exciting and hard twists at times and we are so thankful that Christ walks with us all the time. Because of the Holy Spirit which unites us in love, we have the opportunity to walk together in prayer.

End of CCO Fiscal Year

Written by Mike

We have come to the end of another fiscal year and as we look back at all the financial donations made for us to continue in ministry with the CCO, we cannot help but be overwhelmed by gratitude for God's provision. We have deep appreciation for your generosity. Though we did not make our goal, we are thankful to have the all that we need (and so much more) to serve in college ministry with the CCO. We are completely overjoyed with how much God provided over the past year beyond just dollars...

Thank You! God is Good (All the Time).

I know that this has been a tough financial year for many of you, and yet you have continued to give sacrificially. We are thankful for all of you that continue to give out of the blessings which God has given to you. We do not take a single dollar given for granted and we really appreciate all that you have offered to allow us to continue in campus ministry with the CCO. **Thank You!**

Though there will be changes in our family and ministry this upcoming year with the addition of a little one, our financial goal amount will remain the same. We are very excited for this next chapter in our ministry and are so very thankful to have all your prayers and financial support along the way. We will continue to walk together in transforming the lives of college students with the gospel of Jesus. **Thank You!** Take Good Care & God Bless.

Special Note: For more information & charts about financial giving and our budget visit: www.TheMattesHome.com/budget

Ways to support our ministry with the CCO:

Give Online:

Visit: <https://secured.ccojubilee.org/gifts/>
Select: Mattes, Mike & Beth

Write a Check:

Payable to: Coalition for Christian Outreach
Check Memo: Mattes, Mike & Beth
Address: Coalition for Christian Outreach
5912 Penn Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15206-3805

August	Amount (%)	Goal
Monthly Support	\$3,855 (73%)	\$5,250
Fiscal Year Support	\$55,882 (89%)	\$63,000

Year (September 2009 - August 2010) goal is \$63,000

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