



transforming college students
to transform the world

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Walking Together

If you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any fellowship with the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose. - Philippians 2:1-2



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Partnership Coordinator

Written By Mike

As was mentioned in our last newsletter, the role of Area Director within the CCO has been split into two new positions. These positions are that of Staff Director and Partnership Coordinator. My good friend and CCO colleague, Jonathan Weyer, now serves as the Staff Director for Ohio and I have moved (as of June 1st) into the role of Partnership Coordinator for Ohio. This new call within the CCO will allow me to use my gifts and the networks God has placed me in to further the mission of the CCO and our partnering churches, colleges and organizations to reach more college students in Ohio with the Gospel.

There are 133 colleges and universities in Ohio. Presently we have twenty-four CCO campus staff ministering to students on fifteen campuses (we added two campuses at the start of July). Of these fifteen schools we serve in Ohio, only eight partnerships exist with either a local church, the college directly or with a community board. In my new role with the CCO, I am called to both serve and sustain those eight current partnerships, as well as create and cultivate new partnership opportunities. My personal desire is to develop new partnerships that will allow us to place staff on the 118 campuses in Ohio that we do not yet have CCO ministries! I will also work to expand our influence on our current campuses through using my gifts to encourage and edify our present partnerships.

A few years ago the CCO set a goal, which states that in twenty-five years we will have:
"...exceptional staff in thriving partnerships

transforming a generation of college students". The phrase "in thriving partnerships" has become my mission with this new call and position within the CCO. I plan to accomplish this through cultivating current relationships within churches and on college campuses and to fostering new relationships within the context of college ministry. Over my four years as an area director with the CCO God has opened the doors for me to meet with some incredible pastors, lay leaders, college chaplains and administrators; many of whom have a deep desire to see Christ's restoration in every area of life. My personal heart and passion is to be equip and excite local churches to reach our college campuses (arguably the largest mission field in the United States); and to have our staff make the most of their opportunity to serve as an extension of the local church's role as an influential means through which Christ transforms the lives of college students for His glory.

I will take some time next month to describe how Jonathan and I will work and travel together in the coming school year to join Christ in service and celebration legacy of His good, gracious and transformative work in the lives of college students. Please pray for Jonathan and me as we lead the CCO's efforts on college campuses in Ohio.

Please celebrate with us and pray for this new ministry:



Our newest co-operative partnership with Jackson Friends Church in Canton will allow CCO Staff person, Bob Robinson, to serve students at Stark State College and Kent State University—Stark Campus!

Leaving a Legacy

Written By Beth

It is amazing how often the concept of "from generation to generation" is found in Scripture and it causes one to pause and think about the legacy which is built through a faithful life lived unto Christ. This is what we desire to instill in the lives of college students, not just a momentary four year spark, but a life long flame of Christ's grace and love burning within them as they live life for the many years following their time in college. This faithfulness comes from responding to Christ's call and a desire to leave a legacy of transformation. I pray this will be true not just for our students, but also

in our own lives as we walk together in our ministry with the CCO.

In June, we visited my grandparents; these visits are always a bit sobering. As my grandmother held Lucy, this particular visit was a great reminder of Christ's faithfulness many generations to our family. It was an opportunity to reflect on how Christ's love and grace is being established in Lucy and is displayed in the memories of a long faithful life of my grandmother.

God is good (All the time).



Four Generations: Beth, Lucy, Great-Grandma Strite & Nana Olver



Since several have asked, here is our Community Garden Update:

Our vegetables and fruits are growing splendidly. This year we have had no luck with cucumbers, however we have had success with green peppers (which are hard to grow in Ohio). We also have peas, basil, carrots, corn, tomatoes, pumpkins, sweet potatoes, squash, watermelon & cantaloupe to harvest.

July Already?!

Written By Mike

It is hard to believe that June has already come and gone and July seems to be poised to pass by at an even quicker speed with a visit to OCBP (a summer long student leadership and discipleship opportunity of the CCO), a week long CCO staff training and a week in Wisconsin for vacation with family. Beth, Lucy and I are hoping that our schedules will slow down some in August and September to allow us to, either in person or with a phone call, express our gratitude for your role in our ministry with the CCO and in the state of Ohio. We appreciate being able to send you our monthly newsletters, and we look forward to talking with you soon! Thank you for walking along side us in college ministry.

In the summer months we often experience be a bit of a lull with regards to our monthly financial support, but our need for support remains the same! If you have been considering supporting our work - summer time is a great time to join our financial support team.



"This photo opportunity will never grow old..."

- Lewis, Our Golden Retriever

June	Amount (%)	Goal
Monthly Support	\$4,227 (81%)	\$5,250
Year-to-Date Support	\$49,447 (94%)	\$52,500

2009-10 Support Goal Amount: \$63,000

Financial Breakdown: 85% Salary, 15% Ministry Expenses

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