



transforming college students  
to transform the world

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The CCO Ministry of Mike & Beth Mattes in Metro Columbus & Ohio

## 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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## Showers of Potential Partners

Written by Mike

About this time last year, we had four potential partnerships in Ohio and we filled three of them. This year we have nine potential partnerships in Ohio! God is Good (All The Time).

Most of these potential partnerships are with churches near college campuses. Some will help the CCO reach new college campuses while others will help extend our reach at current colleges and universities. We are thrilled for the opportunity to transform the lives of more college students with the Gospel and to do so in partnership with the local church! This also means that a great deal of prayer is needed this Spring as we work on hiring new CCO staff for these open partnerships. Each church and college campus has a different context to reach college students and it is a wonderful discernment process to hire the right CCO candidate that can meet the expectations of each particular campus and church partnership. Please pray with me as we look to develop these nine new partnerships and hire CCO staff workers to faithfully serve in college ministry! Thank You for your prayers.



These are new colleges we are praying to reach with some of the new partnerships!

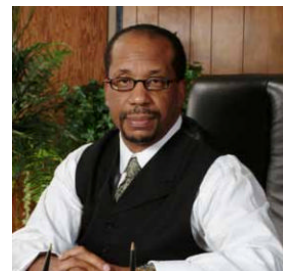
## New Partnership Anniversary

Partnership Testimony

On the first of March we celebrated first anniversary of partnering with New Salem Missionary Baptist Church. This is our first African-American church partnership in Ohio. Landon Adams, a long time member of the New Salem, joined CCO staff just over a year ago to help further encourage the development of the church's college ministry. With the accountability and training that Landon receives from the CCO, he has begun to develop a thriving collegiate ministry within the church and on campus for college students attending the Ohio State University and other universities in the Columbus area.

**"The CCO is one of the first parachurch organizations I've talked to who understands the importance of the local church in students' lives. So many groups present themselves as a substitute for the church; the CCO encourages students to stay connected to the church."**

- Dr. Keith Troy: Senior Pastor of New Salem Missionary Baptist Church in Columbus, Ohio



## Capital Students & Whimsy

Written By Beth

Since Jubilee, our ministry at Capital University, Renew, has been on fire to live more deeply into the transformational love of Jesus—and to do so with whimsy! The CCO has developed five points of transformation which the students are using as a guide for the weekly small group gatherings for the remainder of the Spring semester. The five points of transformation are: Loves Jesus Intimately, Views the World Biblically, Lives Obediently, Joins Christ's Restoration of Creation and Invites Others to Live Likewise. The student leaders have agreed to do a Bible Study on a point of



transformation one week, and the following week have an activity on campus which will help them engage with each point of transformation.

The students are certainly thinking outside the box with their activities and promoting a spirit of fun and laughter as they live more faithfully into the application of the small group studies! This excitement has also helped them invite friends to come get involved in our ministry. The students are beginning to see that being a thoughtful and whimsical Christian is contagious!



Capital students involved in Renew hold a foot washing at the fountains on Capital's Campus



Peter was baptized at Grace Central PCA on Sunday, March 11th. We were thankful to have our parents celebrate this wonderful sacrament with us. Peter's baptism also led to some incredible conversations with students about God's covenant love for His people. We hope that Peter will continue to grow in his faith and one day be able to look back at all the incredible ways God had been calling him to Jesus and that he may faithfully respond to the call. We ask that you join us in praying for Peter as he grows in love.



"Enjoying the arrival of an early Spring!"

- Lewis, Our Golden Retriever

## April Showers

Written By Mike

"April Showers Bring May Flowers." This old adage holds true even in ministry. We are thankful for the ways in which you have showered us with support through prayer and financial giving. We are excited about the way God is showering the CCO with new opportunities to partner with churches to transform the lives of more college students. We are also excited for the ways in which we are seeing the lives of Capital students blossom in Christ. We are forever grateful for God's faithfulness in our lives and ministry with the CCO.

We know that we are about to have a shortfall in our personal support of about \$500/month. This is due to a church transitioning support to help the CCO bring another staff person to work with our ministry at Capital University. This is a good thing! This also means that we need your help in developing our support team to make up the gap. If you know of others that may be interested in joining us, please let us know! **Thank You** for your prayers, support and advocacy!

March	Amount (%)	Goal
Monthly Support	\$4,813(96%)	\$5,000
Year-to-Date	\$34,796(99%)	\$35,000

**NEW 2011-12 Support Goal Amount: \$60,000**  
Financial Breakdown: 80% Salary, 20% Ministry Expenses

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