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to transform the world

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The CCO Ministry of Mike & Beth Mattes

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



Seeking Partners & Laborers

Written by Mike

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"The harvest is plentiful but the laborers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out laborers into His harvest field." - Matthew 9:37-38

In the months of January and February, the "discernment process" in seeking after God's will for new CCO ministries enters a season of prayer and hopeful expectation. This year we are hoping to see God open up opportunities for us to serve on five new campuses in Ohio and to continue to expand our ministries on our current campuses.

To do so we need two things: local church partners with a context and vision for college ministry and CCO campus minister candidates with a call to love Ohio college students. There are many great conversations happening

with churches all over Ohio with regards to partnership with the CCO! A handful of them have already committed to enter into this next phase of the discernment process and interview CCO campus minister candidates who are also in a discernment process of seeking God's call to college ministry. We call it a "discernment process" for both potential partners and candidates as the process requires the Holy Spirit to prepare the way for the CCO, local churches, and our candidates.

The catalyst for this discernment process is Jubilee. At Jubilee many potential church partners will be meeting CCO candidates for the first time! We pray that God will continue to call forward more laborers and churches to transform the lives of college students.



Some of the new campuses we hope to serve beginning Fall 2013.



Jubilee Scholarship-THANK YOU!

Written by Mike & Beth

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jubilee
February 15-17

Jubilee is just a few short days away: February 15-17! We wanted to give a public "THANK YOU" to all of you who helped us raise the necessary scholarship funds to help students be able to attend this life-changing conference! With your help, we have raised over \$3,500 toward student scholarships - we cannot express enough our gratitude for your generosity. We are excited to have about twenty students from Capital University joining us for Jubilee this year! In our next newsletter we will share stories with you of lives transformed at Jubilee... God is Good (All the Time).

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Celebrating Life: Spa Night

Written By Beth

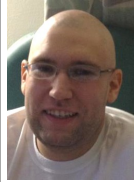
This Spring our Bible study at Capital University multiplied and began a women's study and a men's study. This was a big step for our ministry! The Renew women's study found itself immediately wrestling through how to best relate and care for one another as sisters in Christ. Providentially, Lindi had organized a Spa Night for the women at the end of 2012 and Mike agreed to be on kid duty so that I could enjoy this gathering with the gals. The timing of this gathering at the start of the Spring semester could not have been better planned. Lindi and I enjoyed engaging the young women involved in Renew and helping celebrate life together. One of the gals in Renew hosted the

Spa Night at her apartment. We enjoyed pampering one another and relieving stresses that accompanied the start of the Spring semester. As midnight quickly approached, Lindi and I realized our need to get home and go to bed. (We can't function and stay up as late as we did in college!) Immediately we heard, "What are we to do without you here?" to which we responded without hesitation, "Continue to have fun!" Thank you for your prayers for Renew as we continue to pursue faithfulness together.



Most of the young women who joined us for Renew Women's "Spa Night"

Update on Our Brother-in-Law: Greg Hargis



Thank you for your prayers for Greg, Jessica (Mike's sister) and their two boys, Silas and Reed. Greg recently finished up yet another round of Chemotherapy and we are waiting the results from another bone marrow biopsy. The hope is that the leukemic blast count will be under 5% before going into a Bone Marrow Transplant.



Lucy & Lewis wanted to highlight that on January 11th we celebrated Peter's 1st Birthday!

More Than Money

Written By Mike

December was our highest support month ever (\$9,232.00) and January was one of our lower support months. Both months keep us centered in the fact that this is God's work and ministry. He is our provider both in times of plenty and in times of want. We appreciate every dollar given and we know that - with the Jubilee Scholarship requests and our own CCO ministry support efforts - we have been making lots of financial asks lately. We make these asks knowing that what we are asking for is more than money, it is for your support and encouragement of Jesus' work in and through our lives and in the lives of college students specifically at Capital University and throughout Ohio. THANK YOU. You have and continue to show us great amounts of support and shower us with encouragement. THANK YOU.

January	Amount (%)	Goal
Monthly Support	\$2,835 (57%)	\$5,000
Year-to-Date	\$22,936 (92%)	\$25,000

2012-13 Support Goal Amount: \$60,000
Financial Breakdown: 80% Salary, 20% Ministry Expenses

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