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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*



## Jubilee: Student Testimonies

Written by Beth & Capital University Student Testimonials

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This year's Jubilee theme was "Transform Everything". Students were challenged to give their entire life over to Christ and to let His Spirit use them in transforming the world around us. Here are two incredible Capital University student testimonies, one of a returning student and one of a first time student to Jubilee:

"This was my second time attending the Jubilee conference. Last year when I heard the full story for the first time it opened my eyes to how much the Lord loves me and how everything that I do can be used to glorify Him. This year the story was the same but I experienced a new focal point. For me, I saw that the Lord has blessed me with more than I need and from that excess I can give back whole heartedly to those in need. This idea that I have more than enough was new to me. How could I, a poor college student, have excess of anything? One Jubilee speaker spoke on how we, as individuals, need to draw a line for what is enough in our life. Once we have drawn that line everything above that is excess and will free each of us up to give generously from our excess. I truly love this idea, this idea can free me up to be generous towards those in need. Now I have a mission that overflows from my secure identity in Christ, a mission that was kick started from a speaker at Jubilee."

- Logan, Nursing Major



"Jubilee didn't feel like a spiritual high that all of us left after we walked out of the convention center. Jubilee was a chance for me to dig deeper into my faith. Digging deeper into my faith consisted of Jubilee giving me the reassurance that every part of my life is a part of God's Kingdom. This includes my vocation aspirations, my college education, my artwork, my family, my friends, and every single one of my experiences that I will have throughout my entire life. Nothing is separate from Him. Jubilee reassured me of this beautiful and gracious truth. Since Jubilee, I have been infinitely more motivated and excited to finish my degree, become the best art teacher that I can, grow in my artwork, and experience LIFE with people in a way that can only point to the Glory of Jesus Christ."

- Taylor, Art Education Major



Our Capital University CCO  
student ministry at Jubilee 2013



## JUBILEE: Ministry Partner Event

Written By Mike

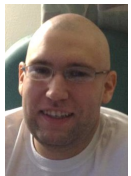
The team of CCO staff I serve with put together the Ministry Partner Event (MPE), a piece of the Jubilee conference designed specifically for church, organizational and college leaders associated with current and potential CCO partnerships. This year we had over 100 people participate in the MPE! The theme of this year's MPE was "Bridging the Generational Gap" and we examined what it means to reach out to this particular generation of college students. We heard from Jamie Swank, Director of Residence Life at Grove City College, who gave an overview of the differences and trends between three most recent generations: Baby-Boomers, Generation Xers and Millennials. We

also had a panel discussion with CCO staff members Steve Lutz and Erica Young Reitz, who partner with Calvary Baptist Church to reach out to Penn State University students. Steve and Erica also shared some of the best practices and lessons they have learned in developing and cultivating college ministry within the local church. Steve has written a book on college ministry, *College Ministry in a Post-Christian Culture*. If you would like Steve's book, we will gladly send you a copy as a THANK YOU for your support and walking with us to transform the lives of college students!



Jubilee: Ministry Partner Event, Bridging the

### Update on Our Brother-in-Law: Greg Hargis



Greg has just finished up his 9th round of chemotherapy and the doctors are working with the insurance company for approval of additional chemotherapy treatments. Thank you for your continued prayers for the family! We thank you for your continued prayers for Greg, Jessica (Mike's sister) and their two boys, Silas & Reed. We also thank God for giving Greg an amazing vision for a new ministry to serve cancer patients!



Glad to receive love from Lucy & Peter after Jubilee!

- Lewis, Our Golden Retriever

## Jubilee & Personal Support

Written By Mike

We are thankful and humbled by the support you have all shown toward helping us raise scholarship funds for Jubilee. This has taken a great deal of our attention over the past two months and now we need to shift focus back on raising the gap in our own personal support. **Thank you** all for your continued faithfulness in even reading our newsletters, your prayers and your financial support. We are thankful that you walk with us as we serve churches and CCO ministries all over Ohio to transform the lives of college students. We are thankful for Jubilee as a catalyst for transformation! We thank God also for the ability to continue to have direct interaction with the student ministry at Capital University. God is Good (All the Time).

February	Amount (%)	Goal
Monthly Support	\$3,701 (74%)	\$5,000
Year-to-Date	\$26,637 (89%)	\$30,000

**2012-13 Support Goal Amount: \$60,000**

Financial Breakdown: 80% Salary, 20% Ministry Expenses

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