



transforming college students  
to transform the world



## CCO Ohio Director & Capital University Ministry with Mike & Beth Mattes

*"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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Summer just got better with  
our new backyard swing set!

- Lewis,  
Our Golden Retriever

## Enjoying the Fruit... And Celebrating Transformation.

A joy of summer is celebrating graduation with another class of students and walking along side them as they continue to serve Jesus Christ with their entire lives in the "real world." One relatively new way we get to do this is by walking alongside engaged couples and helping them prepare for their wedding day and marriage. An added bonus has been that some of the students even invite our family to participate in the wedding ceremony! We celebrate two such stories this month:

**Tyler & Megan** will be getting married a little less than a year from now. Tyler lived with us over breaks between semesters and has become part of our family. Megan has quickly become part of our family as well through her interacting with our kids and meeting with Beth for times of discipleship. Megan has one more year at Capital, and they set their wedding date soon after her graduation. It is a joy to walk through life with both Tyler and Megan. We continue to invite them into our family as they begin to think through God's call in their life together during the year long engagement. We are humbled and excited that they have asked Lucy to be a flower girl in their wedding!

**Dalton & Mary Frances** will be getting married this weekend! (Or pending on when you receive and read this newsletter – they may have just gotten hitched!) Dalton, and his brother Logan (whose wedding was last summer), are two of the handful of students that helped us launch our CCO ministry at Capital University. It is with great joy that we celebrate with Dalton his transition from bachelor life to husband. Recently, Dalton came over to share with us his excitement for his wedding day. He invited us to speak words of encouragement and insight as he shared with us a draft of his wedding vows. As he read a draft of his vows and expressed his love for Mary Frances, we could hear in his words the incredible work that Christ has accomplished in his life, and will accomplish in their life together.

We are thankful for the opportunity to enjoy the fruit of our ministry at Capital University in the lives of these recent graduates and celebrate with them in their call to marriage! God is Good. (All The Time.) Thank you in advance for joining us in prayer for these couples. We are profoundly humbled by the call to walk alongside college students in life-on-life discipleship.

## Tilling the Soil... To bear even more fruit.

While we enjoy the fruit of our labors of the past school year, we also till the soil for even more college students in Ohio. The summer time affords us the opportunity to walk alongside new staff and partnerships as they embark (many for the first time) on the adventure of college ministry. For Mike, it is also a time to follow-up and start new conversations with local churches in anticipation of doors God may open for us to serve together in transforming the lives of college students on new campuses throughout Ohio! This is a great season of dreaming and envisioning with pastors and church leadership about the possibility of joining with Christ in transforming the lives of college students.



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