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Campus Update

- ▶ We followed up with 96 students (mostly freshmen) who had expressed interest in IV during New Student Outreach.
- ▶ 6 freshmen actively involved in chapter
- ▶ 4 non-Christian students, including a Chinese International Student, regularly attend small groups and/or large group meetings (I meet with 2 of them individually on a regular basis)
- ▶ I am meeting with 17 students for discipleship every other week (individually or in pairs) to study Scripture, pray, and have accountability – we're currently studying Titus
- ▶ 4 student-led small groups are meeting in various residence halls every week studying the Gospel of Mark
- ▶ 5 student-led prayer gatherings are taking place every week
- ▶ Large Group and Cadre meetings (alternate every Friday) have focused on evangelism this semester
- ▶ At the end of September we had a combined outreach with Cornerstone Christian Fellowship where we watched the movie *Amazing Grace* followed by a discussion of slavery – how Christian faith played a foundational role in the movie and how we can be involved in fighting slavery today

2010 Fall Retreat



Students at Fall Retreat Large Group Session

The theme for the 2010 N. IN IV Fall Retreat was "On Campus On Purpose". 25 students from 4 universities gathered the first weekend of October for a weekend to get away from campus, get focused on Jesus and his mission, and get revitalized through worship and fellowship. We had 3 large group times of worship and Bible study where we looked at Daniel 1, 3, and 6. There was great student sharing at a bonfire on Saturday evening and community building recreation on Saturday afternoon. I directed the retreat again this year and taught the Daniel 6 session. Students were challenged to live on campus with a missional purpose!



Purdue Students at Fall Retreat

UPCOMING EVENTS

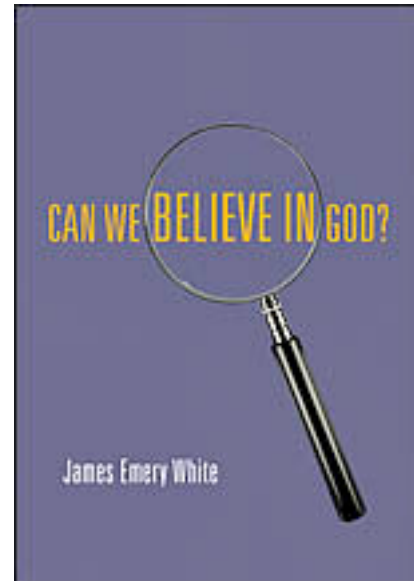
- ▶ Nov. 4: IV League begins meeting!
- ▶ Nov. 11: Conversation Café outreach in 2 residence halls in the evening!

PRAISES

- ▶ The Purdue IV students are gaining an increased desire for prayer and realizing their need for greater dependence upon God through it!
- ▶ Ana – God continues to draw her closer to Himself, and the students in the chapter have befriended her and loved her unconditionally!
- ▶ There is a solid young core of women in the chapter – we actually had a Friday night meeting with more women than men (first time in a long time)!

PRAYER REQUESTS

- ▶ IV League: Pray for me as I lead this freshmen discipleship group. Pray for the 6 that have committed to attending – for growing relationship with Jesus and greater commitment to following Him, for community as a freshmen class, and for deeper relationships between me and them.
- ▶ Conversation Café: Pray that the students are bold in inviting all of their friends to come and pray that their friends attend! Pray for Mark Slaughter and myself as we answer students' tough questions about God, religion, faith, etc.
- ▶ Non-Christian students: Pray for the four non-Christian students involved in the chapter – Ana, Joe, P. and H. Pray that they would continue to pursue truth and ask questions and investigate Jesus! Pray that the other IV students would continue to love them and care for them.



Ana has continued to ask questions and wrestle with what she believes. She has been stuck on whether she believes God exists. She wanted logical and thoughtful reasons to believe in God so I gave her a copy of the new IVP booklet above. The next evening at Cadre she excitedly came up to me and thanked me for the booklet, and simply said she now believes in God (she still isn't sure about Jesus yet)! She has agreed to continue to meet and to read another book together. Please continue to pray for Ana!



Lauren and Landon are enjoying autumn