

INTER VARSITY @ EMORY

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CHAPTER CAMP '09

This spring our three-person staff team began to officially provide staff shepherding to all three of our IVCF undergrad chapters at Emory. Glenn, Kim and Amber all continue to work with Emory Christian Fellowship, while Glenn spends a few hours each week working with the Asian Christian Fellowship leaders and

Amber spends a few hours with the leaders of Brothers and Sisters in Christ. We are developing a plan for the fall to grow the leaders of the three chapters together as partners in ministry, while also strengthening the chapters as strategic gospel gateways and leadership development communities for Asian-American (ACF), African-American (BASIC) and "majority culture" multi-ethnic (ECF) cultural contexts.

Chapter Camp '09 laid the foundation for a great coming year. We had some students from all three chapters, and we developed friendships, faith, vision and



25 Emory students gather with others from around the southeast for discipleship, training, fellowship and fun at Chapter Camp '09.

ministry goals together during the week. We see the ways the Lord already extends gospel impact on campus beyond what any one of the chapters could, and we long to see this grow. We also see many ways this model can develop truly multi-ethnic community and ministry as every student can experience God at work in cultural contexts besides their own. Please pray for us as we shepherd one InterVarsity ministry at Emory with three entry points for students to know Jesus and follow Him in His life transforming mission.

Please pray for:

- Funding! We are still facing challenges in our personal ministry budget this year (see page 2), and Amber continues to raise her support as well. We also need an additional \$500 in scholarships to cover the costs for Emory students who came to Chapter Camp.
- Time and conversations with students over the summer.
- Our staff commitment to evangelism, discipleship and leadership development in a multi-chapter InterVarsity ministry.
- Wisdom in raising a family of three wonderful boys!

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WHAT'S UP ON CAMPUS?

Proxe Stations

This past semester we decided to try an outreach tool that InterVarsity has recently developed to enable broader evangelism on campus. A Proxe Station uses an interactive display at a prominent gathering spot on campus to engage students in conversations about Jesus. We used an art display asking students about their perceptions of their body and soul. Many of our students took part in the outreach, and we were able to share the gospel with over 50 students from diverse religious backgrounds in just two days! We will be using Proxe Stations more next year.



On top of Sharptop Mountain with Karina, Rachel and Kevin at Chapter Camp

Veritas Forum

We also co-sponsored a Veritas Forum lecture for the second year at Emory. Emory Professor Kyle Van Houtan explored the relationship between

Christian faith and ecological stewardship in a talk to about 75 students entitled, "Is God Green?" While we had hoped for better attendance, we were glad to continue a tradition of open lectures on relevant topics from a Christian perspective.

Studying Scripture with Muslim & Jewish Students

Several students continue to meet weekly with Muslim peers to examine what the Bible and the Quran have to say about God and our lives. This spring three of our students also began meeting regularly with Jewish peers to examine what the Old Testament teaches.

Pray for us as we seek to faithfully share the good news of Jesus in relevant and effective ways on campus. We need your partnership!

PERSONAL NOTES

As many of you know, Kim was hospitalized for about a month from early December through early January. Jonathan Richard Goldsmith arrived healthy, but premature, and both he and Kim lost significant blood during a very traumatic delivery. We have definitely felt out of synch these past few months, but everyone is doing well now. Praise God!

We plan to be in Atlanta for most of the summer and are grateful for a chance to catch our breath. In addition to hanging out with students in the area and preparing for the fall, we will be devoting some time to fund development for our ministry. With one month remaining in our current fiscal year, we are short about \$20,000 in our annual ministry budget. Please pray for open doors for new financial partners in our ministry, as we



seek to get back on a firm financial footing in the coming year. Thank you to all of you who have supported us through prayers and finances over the past 5 years! We are grateful for God's provision through you!