

New Beginnings

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New Students New Life

"I just met the kind of people I want to be like. I think I just became a Christian."

That was Tom's response after hearing about Jesus and new life in Him at our Taste of Champaign Pizza event this fall.

He was a new student we met during Quad Day and was invited to our Saturday night service and Pizza Party afterward. Some of our student Connect Group leaders and a staff member were talking with him and saw the opportunity to share The Gospel. They were faithful and Tom found Jesus.

In Illini Life we're praying for 10 individuals to make a life changing decision to trust in Jesus as their savior this school year. In the first weeks of the year Tom already had. Since then as staff and key student leaders we've shared The Gospel 14 times, several of those hearers are still deciding what they believe, others were already Christians and appreciated our strong desire as a church to share Jesus with others. Still others made decisions not to accept Jesus, but remain around Illini Life continuing their exploration of faith and who Jesus is - we're praying

The Lord would soften their hearts and they would come to know Him.

Just a few weeks ago we had our annual Fall Retreat. Many of you received a brief message from us asking for your prayers going into that weekend.

The retreat was a blast and huge success. Our teacher for the weekend was a former Illini Life staff member who is a pastor in the Chicagoland area these days. He walked us through the book of Revelation in a fresh light, exploring what the book tells us about God, us and how that shapes our worship.

We had 25 new students attend this year and about 130 total at the retreat.

We hope you'll pray with us that these 25 new students would make Illini Life their church home on campus and follow Jesus together with us.

We also invite you to pray with us for more opportunities to share Jesus with students, that we would see 10 individuals make a life changing decision this year. Let's start by praying for those that have already heard The Gospel and are still making a decision.

Prayer Requests

- We're at 75% of our overall monthly support. ☺
- For Amy and I and the rest of the Illini life staff team to be faithful with the opportunities before us to share The Gospel.
- For Tom to continue to grow in his faith and knowledge of Jesus.
- For 9 more individuals to make a decision to follow Jesus.

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