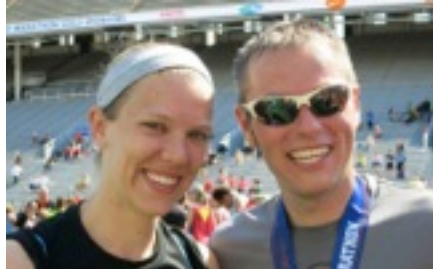


New Beginnings

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End of Semester Finals and Baptism!

Today is the last day of final exams, this weekend is graduation for many students - including 15 students from Illini Life. In the past weeks we've prepared our graduates with our traditional celebratory lunch and final parting words. We encouraged them to find a church quickly as they move on to the next stage of life and to be good stewards of their new financial responsibilities.

We also celebrated the end of the school year as a church community in our traditional way: a worship service on the U of I main quad, picnic dinner and then baptism service. These times are always great memory builders and this year was no exception.

You may remember Brianna, a freshmen girl Amy has been meeting with this year and who joined our home fellowship. Amy shared the Gospel with her in the Fall and this Spring Brianna made the decision to be baptized as a public display of her commitment to follow Jesus. She invited many of her friends from her dorm to witness it and hear her testimony. It certainly was a time to celebrate.

The time was made even sweeter by Brianna's sisters and parents making the trip to campus to be

a part of the service. Brianna grew up in a Christian home but hadn't taken ownership of her faith or really pursued God much until coming to U of I. We're so thankful for the opportunity to play a role in God's work to draw her into a deeper relationship with Him.

As summer classes begin, Illini Life changes our schedule to accommodate the lives of the smaller student population. This year Nick is responsible for overseeing our summer services, community building events and outreach. We're excited for this new opportunity and a chance to be in Champaign most of the summer.

Spring Break Update Pittsburgh Review

You may recall just over a month ago was Spring Break here at U of I. We took a small team of 8 to Pittsburgh to serve with a new church plant at the University of Pittsburgh and Carnegie Mellon University. The trip was a great experience for Nick and Amy to learn more about church planting and a great experience for our students to learn some new and exciting ways to share The Gospel. Coming out of the trip we have some exciting new outreach ideas to try here at U of I this next school year. We hope to be sharing about those with you in the future as they unfold.

Prayer Requests

- We're at 75% of our overall monthly support. :-)
- Rest and renewal as the school year comes to an end and our schedules change up for the summer.
- For Brianna to continue to grow in her relationship with God, to be affirmed and strengthened in her faith this Summer.
- That Summer Church would go well here at U of I and Nick would be encouraged and stretched in this new ministry role.

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