

New Beginnings

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Fall Break Weariness & Weddings

Hello! As we write snow is falling here in Champaign and students are beginning to head home for Fall Break. Typical of this time of year, our students are feeling weary from a long semester of academic rigor and anxious about their fast approaching final exams. The most common prayer request we hear is for energy, focus, and favorable grading from professors. We invite you to pray for them with us.

In light of that, our small groups this past week spent their time together purchasing and donating gifts for those in need this Christmas, and some celebrated "Friendsgiving" having a Thanksgiving style meal together. It was a chance to enjoy fellowship, engage in generosity, and care for others in need.

The Fall Semester has been full of meeting new friends and inviting them to join us in knowing Jesus and making him known here on campus. As a church we've adopted a new, simpler mission statement of "Living our lives with Jesus, like Jesus, and for Jesus." At our membership class several weeks ago we had 4 new students decide to make Illini Life their church home here on campus and join with us in that mission.

Separate from the normal routines of campus ministry, we have found our schedules more full this Fall with

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weddings. Being in college ministry means we are constantly befriending and building into young adults, many of whom will go on to get married in the years after graduation. We have had the privilege of being a part of three weddings this Fall. We love getting to celebrate the beauty of a man and woman being joined in marriage and commissioned to a life of serving the Lord together.

Growing Family Growing Needs

In just about a month we will celebrate Nathan's birthday and officially have a 5 year old and a 5 month old in our house. We're all enjoying being a family of 4 and adjusting well to it. Alissa has become very vocal lately and loves "talking" with us. Her smile is infectious and Nathan continues to be a sweet big brother. He and Dad have enjoyed bike rides together more regularly as he adjusts to no longer being an only child.

In our last update we shared about the birth of our daughter this summer and the ongoing need for additional support. We still remain under funded and hope to connect with more of you over the Holiday season to catch-up and share about our support need. If you'd like to begin giving to Reliant on our behalf we'd love to talk to you about that!

Prayer Requests

- For students' stress, anxiety, and weariness as we approach final exams.
- Praise God for students who have joined with us to be on mission and leaders among their peers.
- For an additional \$900 in monthly support.

