

Subject: Walking with students in the battles they face.

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The Reiber Reader



First Half of "Spring" Semester

Above is a picture of a part of our group meeting for Bible Study. They are studying what the Bible has to say about The Lord Our Healer. We have been going through the different names of the Lord through the Old Testament all year. I will be honest, I have learned so much from this emphasis, and I pray it leaves an impact on our students as well.

Side note, its really cold here and it has always bothered me that we call it the "Spring Semester." It's Winter here! At one point, I did not see my grass for over 4 weeks. We see the Spring in the last 3 weeks of the semester, then the students leave. I had to get that off my chest...

One thing is certain though, the Lord is still working, even in the cold. We have seen new faces coming into the group and had the opportunity to do a outreach event in the cold doing Snow Tubing. The best part of the event was that there were more non New Life students attending than New Life students! That is what an outreach should look like! The gospel was shared by one of our leaders, who had friends come and ask her questions afterwards.





Update on the Reibers

The big news this Winter has been a passion for hockey has swept through the house! We watch Caps games together, went to a PSU women's game, and also learned to ice skate and play on a local outdoor rink by our house! It has been so fun, and amazingly sweet Mommy Son time for Kate and Fynn to go to the rink together after school.

Also, in recent news, Fynn broke his foot! He was dancing in our living room, and in his words, "Inventing a new dance move!" The confidence of this kid never stops amazing me! HAHA

Equip and Pray

I just got done preaching about the name: The Lord Our Banner. The name comes from the text in Exodus 17, a story in which Moses intercedes for the wondering Israelites when attacked by lifting up the Lord's staff as a rallying point for His people. As the staff was raised his army would be winning, when his arms tired and the staff dropped, they would start losing. The staff was how God would use Moses to perform miracles to show it was God's hand at work. God was teaching his people that He would fight their battles and be their source of victory. Jesus later would carry His cross up a hill and intercede for His people, let's fix our eyes on Him as our Banner, our source of victory of evil and death.

This semester we have really focused on coming alongside our students to shepherd them in the battles they face. I pray for the church to step up to come alongside people in this way. Galatians says, "Carry one another's burdens; in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ."

Please Pray for:

- [Pray for us as we begin to interview new student leaders for next year.](#)
- Pray for our mission team next week as we do disaster relief in areas of PA that were flooded in the fall.
- Pray for our students to grow in being able to lean on and depend on each other.



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