## Burkey Beacon

## Helping Reach Campuses in the USA

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Dear Friend,

We recently attended our annual Staff Gathering and were reminded of a vision our Local Ministry Director shared with us this past year. As she shared this vision our hearts were stirred, being convinced that this is what God desires for every campus and every student. His heart for students to know Him compels us to continue in this work that He has called us to and we are so grateful that you are partnering with us in this ministry through your prayers and support. May this vision encourage you and spur you on to continue in what God has called you to do as well, that everyone will know someone who truly follows Jesus.

"When I think about the future of our ministry, I see movements of prayer and as a result spiritual movements everywhere, in every pocket of campus. I see students of various ethnicities and nationalities, I see student athletes, I see artists and musicians, I see ROTC students, I see Grad students and I see faculty. I see them in their classrooms, in their dorms, in the cafeteria, in practice, in the student union, I see them walking across campus or sitting on benches or hanging out at local coffee shops. And they're all talking about Jesus. I see students and faculty together fervently praying for revival on their campus, and



I see them boldly and unashamedly sharing the hope of life in Jesus in words and in deeds with others around them. I see them catching a vision for the campus in the next town over, or in the state across the river, and yet another campus or city halfway around the world.

Take a moment and picture it with me...



And now I see them, all of us, and so many more as a result of students raised up to be lifetime laborers for Jesus Christ, gathered around the throne of God together. And it's

such a beautiful picture. It's so colorful, it's so diverse, and altogether we reflect the image of God Himself.

This is what we get to be a part of – together! This is our hoped-for song of joy! And so while today we may sow in tears, there is a promise that one day we will reap with songs and shouts of joy."

Lisa Wyse





With your partnership, we are seeing this vision become more of a reality on 11 college campuses and one high school where there was very little or no Christian presence before God enabled us to start Cru there. Yet, still there are so many more campuses with little or no Christian presence that we hope and pray and plan to reach in the near future.

As some of the ministries we coach grow and students take steps of faith on their own campus, they are starting to understand how God desires to use them in other places in society and even around the world. Adam and I would love to invite students we work with to come with us on mission trips during their spring and summer breaks in order to have in-person equipping and training with



them, and for them to gain a greater understanding of God's heart for the world.



Unfortunately, because of the financial costs, we have been unable to get ourselves on or lead students on such missions recently. We pray and ask that He would abundantly provide for us and also for our campuses, so students would be able to respond to the love of God and be raised up as lifetime laborers for Him. And as a result, we pray that His Name would be known and glorified on every campus here in the USA and around the world!

**Would you prayerfully consider giving a year end gift toward our ministry** so we can work in an unhindered way? \$500, \$250, \$100? Something smaller or bigger? You can donate <a href="here.">here.</a> We are so grateful for you. Your partnership with us is making Jesus known to young people on many college campuses.

May the Lord abundantly bless you this Advent season as you prepare your heart to celebrate His first coming and joyfully await His second coming! To help you prepare your heart to celebrate the hope of Christmas, you can go to **Cru.org** for a seven day **Advent devotional** provided by Cru. May you have a very merry Christmas and a blessed New Year!





Question for you: What do you think leaves a bigger impact on students lives and on eternity?

4 years of college? Or one summer mission?





WE Really APPRECIATE YOUR PARTNERSHIP, Adam & Amy Burkey