

prayer requests

- For all of the Freshman coming into Cal Poly as they make decisions that will affect the rest of their lives.
- For my financial support to continue coming in so that I can return to Cal Poly as soon as possible.
- Praise: I am now on a new medication for the migraines that I was able to get to full dosage without side effects.
- For Daniel, Kirk, and my other disciples that are trying to figure out where God is calling them after college.

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awesome book

I have been reading a book by David Platt called "Radical." From what I have seen so far, I would definitely recommend reading it. David pastors a church in the south and this book represents what he challenged his church with in how to step out in their faiths. If you read it, let me know, because I would love to be able to talk with you about it.

WHY CAL POLY?



Most people know Cal Poly as one of the highest ranked schools in the nation. It has become popular for its engineering, architecture, and agriculture programs. In fact, for the last 19 years, Cal Poly has been ranked the best public university west of the Mississippi River by the U.S. News and World Report. With the "Learn by Doing" philosophy, Cal Poly students quickly learn what it takes to succeed in industry today.

Besides this, you have probably heard that Campus Crusade at Cal Poly has 1,000 students involved. And you may have heard Cal Poly labeled as the cheapest Christian school in California. But why is that the case? What is God doing at Cal Poly that makes it so different from any other school?

When a Freshman walks onto a college campus for the first time, he is immediately faced with all sorts of life decisions. What friends will he make? Where will he head with his life? What is partying like? Will he step out from under the faith of his parents?

A Freshman at Cal Poly faces these same decisions and choices. The difference, however, is how those are answered. Within two weeks of coming to the school, every student has had multiple opportunities to get plugged into a Christian club or church in San Luis Obispo. How? Over 100 student leaders in Campus Crusade strive to meet every Freshman at their dorm room door. Within a few weeks, close to 300 Freshman are plugged into Bible studies and hundreds more are reached by the churches in town.

Things weren't always this way though. In 1997, there were about 30 students involved in Campus Crusade at Cal Poly. Though college students were involved in some local churches, none of those churches really had a thriving college ministry. But over the last 15 years, God has grabbed ahold of San Luis Obispo and has incredibly blessed the ministry. By the time I entered college as a Freshman in 2005, the number of students involved in Campus Crusade had grown to 700 and several churches had started thriving

PHOTO REEL



[1] Freshman receiving a 'freshman survival kit' which contains a Bible, a Christian book, some sweet sunglasses, and information about Campus Crusade.

[2] A pile of 'freshman survival kits' handed out to incoming Cal Poly freshmen last week.

[3] Freshman finding out more information about Campus Crusade.

[4] Our booth at the WOW (week of welcome) club showcase.

college ministries. I was one of those Freshman who was met at my dorm room door by Campus Crusade leaders. And my life was drastically impacted in the process. My faith was not just my parents' faith anymore. I didn't care what partying was like. I was heading in whatever direction God wanted me to head. And my friends were those I met at church and at Campus Crusade. It became evident that God used the community of San Luis Obispo to help shape the direction of my life and as you know, the direction was indeed changed from what I thought it was going to be.



But I don't just want to stop with showing you my life. I want to show you the results of the ministry of Campus Crusade at Cal Poly over the last 15 years. The students who have gone through the ministry at Cal Poly have been trained to share their faith, mentor others, and even go around the world proclaiming the Gospel. God has used Cal Poly alumni to start or staff campus ministries at the following universities.

- UC San Diego
- San Diego State
- Cal State Fullerton
- Cal State Long Beach
- UC Irvine
- UCLA
- USC
- UC Santa Barbara
- San Jose State
- San Francisco State
- UC Berkeley
- Sacramento State
- Chico State
- Northern Arizona University
- University of Hawaii, Hilo

Besides this, campus ministries have been started in many other countries.

- East Asia (6 campuses)
- El Salvador (2 campuses)
- Middle East (2 campuses in 2 countries)
- Dominican Republic
- South Africa

God is sending out hundreds of students each year from Cal Poly to the mission fields of this world. Whether these students are sent to IBM or Turkestan, Lockheed Martin or Belize, God is using Cal Poly to train up and equip His people to spread the Gospel. God has incredibly blessed Cal Poly, but it is so that Cal Poly can be a blessing to the nations. I am so excited that God has called me here.

