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Dear friends and partners,

I pray that you and your family are well and getting some “down time” during the long holiday weekend. We have adjusted to the new school year routine (though we miss Lydia) and are in full “football mode” with evening practices and games on Friday nights and Saturdays. It’s amazing how fast the time goes, but we are enjoying the “ride” of this season of our lives as it is too short!

Jake (10) &
Bart



I began my 26th year of vocational campus ministry at Georgia Tech a few weeks back by participating in a variety of outreach activities. Its always inspiring to begin a new academic year with fresh faces and opportunities especially with Freshmen. Interestingly, this year’s incoming GT class of 2800 students is perhaps one of the most “elite” ever as the school only had a 33% acceptance rate due to a record number of applicants. So, we are excited about ministering Jesus Christ and His truths to this bright, but often misguided student body who will become leaders (good or bad) in society after graduation. The Spirit of Jesus has given us a “heart” for these young adults as well as a grace to be able to “connect” with them through **loving, listening and leading** them toward truth. As the Scripture says, “**...For He who has compassion on them will lead them, and will guide them to springs of water.**” **Isaiah 49:10b**

A fun and creative outreach tool we have done so far is giving away free snow cones at our ministry booth on campus. Robbie Anderson, a new Chi Alpha campus minister had this great idea and it has lead to many conversations and new contacts both Christian and non Christian. Its hard for even the “atheist” students to pass up a free



“Tigers Blood” snow cone on a 90 degree plus afternoon! We have met a diverse group of “Techites” through serving them on their hot Summer walks to and from class. I praise God for Robbie and Chi Alpha student leaders who have worked hard over the last two weeks demonstrating Jesus to others on the campus in such practical ways. Moreover, I thank the Lord for allowing an “old guy” like me to partner on the campus with these young and committed Christian leaders. Yes, “*old dogs can learn new tricks.*”



Please be praying for us and the new students as we begin the “work” of following up the ones that gave us contact information. Also, continue to pray for Yi, He, and Li, the Chinese student contacts I’ve been working with as we have begun meeting again to discuss faith, Jesus (and the Bible), life purpose, etc. I believe the Lord is drawing these young men (and others) to Christ as we continue to “plant and water” seeds of truth in their minds and hearts!

We appreciate your partnership with us in fulfilling Jesus’ command to “*Go and make disciples*” of the nations on the campus. Your **prayer and financial support** is essential to us fulfilling Christ’s calling to reach and teach students. **Thanks for your giving** and may God’s multiplied blessings be upon you! Have a great month and let me know if I can be of service?

Your campus missionaries,
Bart, Michelle & the Jones Kids

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Labor Day Thoughts

"No good work is done anywhere without aid from the Father of Lights." C.S. Lewis

***"So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God."* 1 Corinthians 10:31**