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Dear friends and partners,

We pray that 2014 has gotten off to a great start for you and your family. I am writing this letter a little earlier than normal as we are experiencing "Snow-Ice Days" in metro Atlanta and the schools are closed. **I praise God** that I was able to leave GT yesterday before the roads/traffic got into "shut down" mode. It still took me <u>over three hours</u> to make the 35 mile commute home, but I am quite grateful as many were stranded overnight.



Rein, Dave & Jake enjoying the snow

Our ministry on the campuses resumed earlier this month and I have been focusing at Georgia Tech so far. We are doing the Truth Booth outreach weekly, meeting 1 to 1 with Christian and non Christian students and leading the weekly *Change Agent* small group. Our work with the Christian students involves helping them grow in their relationship with Jesus as well as equipping them to be a witness for Him on the campus. With the non Christians our desire is to give them clear understanding of who Jesus (not "religion") is and what He has to say about God, our lives, purpose, eternity, etc. As I always say, "*There's never a dull day in campus ministry*."



"Watch to see where God is working and join Him!" <u>Dr. Henry T. Blackaby</u>

I've always had a heart for (and ministered to) international students over the years of working on the campus. However, over the last 7+ years it seems that <u>God</u> <u>has consistently brought Chinese students at Georgia Tech</u> <u>into my life and ministry</u>. This is not an accident but rather part of God's strategic plan to increase the impact of the Gospel not only in mainland China but all over the world. These brilliant and hard working students will graduate and become leaders in their home country as well as many others. Often, they are <u>more open to discuss and search out</u> the truths of Jesus and the Bible than American students.

For example, over the last two weeks I've been meeting with two new Chinese young men, Yi a Junior engineering student and Xi (Simon) a Junior in Computer

90% Of China's Super-Rich Want To Send Children Abroad

The *International Business Times* reports that 9 of every 10 Chinese with assets of more than 100 million yuan (\$16 million) plan to send their children abroad, while 85 percent of those with at least \$1 million said they would send their children overseas for education. China's growing middle class also has aspirations to send their children abroad for an education.

The United States is their top choice for higher education. Wealthy Chinese parents value its "all-around development" and "quality-oriented education" and criticize Chinese schooling as being too rigid and mechanical with an over-emphasis on rote memorization rather than critical thinking. http://geniusrecruiter.com/2012/07/06/why-chinese-students-aregoing-abroad/

Science. Yi is not a Christian yet but has been doing Bible studies with one of our campus leaders who asked me to help her out. Simon became a Christian about 6 months ago while studying in Hong Kong. Simon recently said, "...*I feel very lucky to meet you and Noah in the Student Center...I know that God has a purpose for me coming to America...*"

THANK YOU for your partnership with us through <u>prayer</u> and <u>financial support</u>. Working together, we are "building bridges" of faith, hope, love and truth to Chinese (and other) students. Have a great month and please let us know if we can be of service.

Your campus missionaries, Bart, Michelle & the Jones kids <u>Note</u>: Page 2 contains our annual ministry financial support statement. We greatly appreciate your participation with us in fulfilling the Great Commission on the campuses!

Bart Jones — 2013 FFC Ministry Financial Statement

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Use of Funds**

| FFC Partnership Support Monthly contributions & special grants | \$ 72,955.63 | Salary and Housing Allowance Ministry administrative & business expenses Financial support of other ministries/students | \$ 60,731.99 11,523.64 700.00 |
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 Total Income
 \$ 72,955.63
 Total Expenses
 \$ 72,955.63

City Harvest Worship Center, a 501(c)(3) religious organization under the leadership of Rev. Bradley White and the governing Board of Directors, is the parent organization of *Forerunners for Christ* (FFC). We are directly accountable to the Directors who serve as overseers of our campus ministry. The financial administrator of City Harvest and I work together in the processing of all FFC funds. Please contact us if you have any questions. **Thanks for your support!**

**Financial support received for our ministry is allocated toward paying our ministry business expenses, housing allowance and salary. Our business expenses and housing allowance are governed by IRS guidelines (laws) and include vehicle mileage, mobile phone, postage, health care, other ministry expenses, mortgage payments, property taxes & insurance, utilities and other housing related expenses. Our salary fluctuates on an annual basis as a function of total financial support received less the payment of our ministry business expenses and housing allowance.