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Dear friends and partners,



"What do you think? If any man has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go and search for the one that is straying?" <u>Matthew 18:12</u>

We pray that you and your family are well and enjoying the Fall season. Its hard to believe that we are fast approaching the end of another "trip around the sun." Life seems to speed up as we get older, but, thank the Lord that <u>He has plans for us in every season of life</u>. Yes, there is a "...*future and a hope*" for the righteous! (Jer. 29:11)



Over the last 25 years of vocational campus ministry, I have learned a great deal about God's ways in His efforts to reconcile "lost" students to Himself. One pattern in evangelism I've experienced is that <u>God will direct our steps to "be at the right place at the right time</u>" in order to speak with specific students. Often, after conversations I've had, I realized (or sensed) that I was one "answer" to perhaps a parent's or sibling's prayer for a "wayward" son/daughter or brother/sister.

For example, a few weeks back I was meeting outdoors with a Christian student at Georgia Tech for discipleship purposes. When the student left, I was checking my messages when I noticed another student sat down several rows below where I was sitting. As I observed this young man, the Spirit began to prompt me [as He often does :-)], to go and talk with him. So, I said a quick prayer and introduced myself to Nathan, a Freshman in Computer Science. During our conversation, I asked him if he had a "faith" perspective and he quickly said, **"I'm not into organized religion."** I smiled at him and said, **"Neither am I. But, I am into spiritual truth and Jesus and His teachings...**" I briefly shared my testimony of Jesus changing me while a student at Tech and gave Nathan a *"Knowing God Personally"* tract as well as an apologetic writing about Jesus. I encouraged him to "seek truth" while he was a young man. Before he left, he told me that his father is a Christian while his mother is a Hindu. As I reflected on the encounter, I felt that God wanted me to *"water seeds"* that Nathan's father has sown into him and has been praying over. <u>Wow...God is strategic</u>! **Be praying for Nathan**.

We greatly appreciate your prayer and financial support! Your partnership with us in fulfilling the *Great Commission* on the campus is making an <u>eternal difference in student's lives</u>. Have a great season of Thanksgiving and please let us know if we can be of service.

Your campus missionaries, Bart, Michelle & the Jones kids

"The love of God is a patient love...Men may be fools but God loves even the foolish man who has no one to blame but himself for his sin and his sorrow." <u>William Barclay, N.T. scholar and writer</u>



GT students "heckling" and questioning recent public preachers in the "free speech" zone



"Praise the Lord. Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever." <u>Psalm 106:1</u>



"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks..." <u>I Thessalonians 5:16-18</u>