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Dear friends and partners,

JNV AND ROE STAMPS ORROW'S LEADERS'

Why the Campus?

"... They are blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind leads the blind, both will fall into a ditch." Matthew 15:14

Recently, before I met with a student at Georgia Tech, I pointed out to him the sign above which reminds me of one aspect of the "campus ministry vision." Students on campuses today will be leaders in society in the future. The beliefs, ideas and moral behaviors they accept and practice while in college, will often "graduate" with them. Moreover, their "college experience," whether good or bad, becomes the foundation of their influence in families, businesses, governments, social groups, etc. Want to know why we have a "leadership crisis" in America? Remember what was happening on campuses in the "wild" 1960's-1970's, therein lies the answer. Change the campus, change the world!

With this in mind, we are "gearing up" for another academic year beginning in August. I have been participating in new student orientation sessions a few days a week. Its always exciting to interact with incoming freshman and new students as well as parents. I find it interesting that oftentimes parents will pick up hand-outs I've written on "The Truth about Drunkenness" and "Love, Dating and Sex." Perhaps they are concerned about their son or daughter and hope the information will help them make wise choices. So, be praying for us and other campus ministries in our efforts to impact students (and the campuses) for Christ.

In closing, I want to briefly share a recent student encounter that touched my heart and gave new meaning to Galatians 6:1-2, "Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any Bart working new student

trespass, you who are spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ." In short, a young Christian man at GSU expressed to me his frustration (and guilt) of struggling with pornography. The Spirit gave me insight and wisdom in ministering

to this brother and he left encouraged and motivated to stand strong in his battle. Later, I emailed him some handouts I have used with others concerning this issue. We met again earlier this week and his countenance was different as he is overcoming in this area. He sent me the following email, "Hey Bart, this is great! I'm glad that someone took the time to help me personalize the issue with the Word, and helping me to see that genuine love involves NO LUST. I really appreciate your sending me this article!" Praise Jesus for His victory in our lives!

Your prayer and financial support enables us to "take the time" to help students know and grow in Christ. Thanks for your partnership with us! Please let us know if we can be of service and we pray that you have a great month.

Your campus missionaries, Bart, Michelle & the Jones kids

Jones' brothers celebrating Jacob's 9th birthday



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orientation booth at GSU

"We will overcome...not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit, says the Lord."



"...let us not lose heart *and* grow weary *and* faint in acting nobly *and* doing right, for in due time *and* at the appointed season we shall reap, if we do not loosen *and* relax our courage *and* faint." <u>Galatians 6:9 Amplified Bible</u>