

Painting God's Kingdom

MINISTRY UPDATE FROM LOGAN AND ANN WINN

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An Artist's Perspective

"The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands." Psalm 19:1

If ever one has witnessed an artist at work, one would notice the artist stands within inches of the canvas. Up close, the artist is able to strategically place each stroke of the brush with detail. Yet when viewing the picture from this perspective, the image seems blurry with each brush stroke blending together. The artist must step back to see what is being created as the painting is meant to be viewed from afar, and rest assured, a beautiful creation is left behind with all the right colors and textures in place. The same can be said about ministry and the pursuit of God's kingdom. Sometimes we must take a step back to see what God is actually doing rather than staying in front of the canvas.

This semester has given us an opportunity to take a step back and see the portrait that God is painting at Georgia State University (GSU). We made the decision to spend this semester focusing on growing and developing our support team leaving only one day a week on campus. At first, we were apprehensive to step off campus, yet now we realize we have been blessed by this time as it has allowed the students to blossom in their giftings. Students have taken ownership of the chapter through leading events, meetings, and voluntary outreaches. Just half way through the semester, they have led an event nearly every week including a pancake outreach where over 100 students attended and another, *Steppin' to Salsa*, saw over 50. Despite their busyness, they continue to plan more events. The rush of campus work can cause us to lose site of the bigger picture, we are caught too close to the canvas. However, by spending less time on campus, we have been able to step back and see the portrait of God's kingdom come to life at GSU.



TYLER, ANGEL, AND KELLY PASSING OUT FLYERS TO PANCAKE EVENT



JUST A PORTION OF THE STUDENTS WHO ATTENDED STEPPIN' TO SALSA

Seek and You Will Find

Devin Patterson is a student we met last year. He joined InterVarsity during a time when he was exploring his faith. We remember visiting a small group where he shared his hurts from church growing up and deep questions of faith. What surprised us the most was when he asked to become an apprentice with InterVarsity after just a short time of knowing us. He befriended student leader, Kharl, who began discipling Devin on a weekly basis. Devin gradually began stating, "whatever Kharl has, I want in my life." Devin has been and continues to lead with Kharl in a bible study together. Devin asks the most intriguing questions, that makes others around him look more deeply into scripture. Together, we are witnessing Devin coming to know Jesus in a real way, that others around him are curious about Jesus because of his deep longing to know the truth. God bless the work of the Holy Spirit!



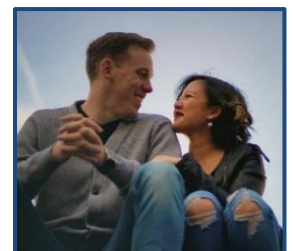
DEVIN PATTERSON

Moving Forward

Being able to spend more time on fund development, we have an ambitious goal for this semester. Currently we are 55% funded, and as the end of the fiscal year approaches (June), we have a \$44,000 goal which will allow us to finish the year well. Would you consider helping us reach our goal by increasing monthly giving or by offering additional gifts of \$50-\$100, \$100-\$500, or \$1,000-\$5,000?

Personal Update

2018 has had a wonderful start! We have never felt more called to continue to say "Yes" to Jesus in this ministry. We both continue to fall more and more in love with our job in ministry at GSU and have developed a deep joy to be working together. Not only with work, but we have also been experiencing great love in marriage through learning more about who we are as a couple and individuals. Our time outside of work is spent exploring different hobbies through music, cooking, and spending time with friends. Thank you for your support!



Thank You!

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