



Dear Friends,

I can't believe I'm saying this but we only have 2 weeks left in the semester! I'm amazed at how quickly it has gone by but so thankful for the great semester we have had together. I am praying for all of you as you work hard to finish the semester strong. You can do it!!

Next week is our last week of Chapel for the semester, if you need a reminder about our Chapel Attendance policy check out <http://www.northwestu.edu/ministry/chapel/policy.php>. Any questions regarding Chapel Attendance can be sent directly to chapelattendance@northwestu.edu.

Next Week in Chapel

Monday, Dick Brogden from Assemblies of God World Missions, and author of the Live Dead Journal, will be speaking to us on "The Three Martyrdoms." **Wednesday** is a very special Christmas Chapel that you will not want to miss! We will have giveaways, special Christmas music, and a small treat for everyone! **Friday** will be a one Chapel schedule day as we celebrate all of the December graduates in our Fall Graduation Chapel.

Story of the Week – There is an amazing story at the bottom of the page... Keep reading to see what happened. If you have an encouraging story about what someone did or something that happened to you personally, please send it to me.

Life Groups

I have been hearing great reports from Life Groups this semester!! As we look forward to next semester we are looking for more leaders, if you are interested in getting involved in Life Groups or leading a Life Group next semester, email lifegroups@northwestu.edu or stop by the Campus Ministries Office and grab an application.

Pursuit | Monday at 9PM

There are only two Pursuits left this semester and you are not going to want to miss it as GC Band from The City Church will be leading us in an all-worship Pursuit this Monday night at 9PM.

Scripture Focus

You have reached a time in the semester that can feel overwhelming, but be encouraged by the Week 15 scripture focus.

"Therefore let everyone who is godly pray to You while You may be found; surely when the mighty waters rise, they will not reach him." – Psalm 32:6

Offering

Over \$665 was raised in the Change Breaking Chains coin drive! Congratulations to the Guy/Perks 200 floors who won the competition with \$110 collected! We have just \$1221.59 left to raise for the semester and only a few more opportunities to give. Next Wednesday will be our last offering and then we have one final fundraising opportunity before the end of the semester – Embargo will be hosting a showing of The Santa Claus, next Thursday at 9pm in the Chapel, there is a \$2 suggested donation and concessions will be available!

Prayer

I was able to read through all of the prayers and praises that you wrote Monday during our prayer time together in Chapel. I was so encouraged by the things that the Lord is doing in our community. Take a look at the attached prayer list from Week 14 and let's believe together that our prayers continue to be powerful and effective.

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Hey Pastor Phil,

I was just reading through the "story of the week" that you share along with your weekly e-mails, and was reminded of something absolutely amazing that has happened recently in my life! Brace yourself, this is pretty long, but it's packed full of God's great work!:

Last week, my best friend and I started our first week volunteering at Eastlake Community Church as greeters before service. We were assigned to an area that was known to be a very low-traffic location and we weren't necessarily expecting to see any people to greet. However, we were optimistic and did our best to flag down as many passerby's as possible. One man in particular looked at us like we were crazy and walked by as fast as he could. We didn't think much of it and just kind of laughed it off and kept on smiling. About 20 or 30 minutes later, he had walked around to the other side and came up behind us and looked kind of lost, like he was searching for something. We smiled at him and wondered why he came back around, but then he asked us, "Excuse me, is this a Bible-teaching church or something?"

We were really thrown off by that, but excitedly told him it was and invited him in. He told us he didn't want to go to church, but he had a few questions for us. He said that he had heard of this man named Jesus and wanted to learn more about him, but didn't know how to go about it.

He was in his 40's, but clearly has autism or some other sort of social disorder. He wants to read the Bible, but he can't read and doesn't know how he can learn since no one will teach him. We told him some basic facts about Jesus and why we follow Him and stuff. The man's face lit up and he kept asking over and over again, "Jesus really loves me? Why? He knows who I am? That's so wonderful!" We told him as much as we possibly could about Jesus in such a short time, but then he asked if we would pray for him. As we were praying, he just started exclaiming, "Thank you, Jesus! Thank you! Thank you!" and he stopped us to apologize and asked, "Is it okay if I thank Him? I feel very thankful. I don't know why because I don't know Him, but I feel I have to say it." When we finished praying, the first thing he said was, "I know Jesus is real! I felt Him while you prayed. It was a very warm feeling! Do we have to stop praying? Can we keep doing it?" Needless to say, my friend and I were really, REALLY excited to be a part of this. We gave him some things to think over and told him we'd be back at the same place next week and that we would love to see him again.

We prayed for him all week, and this morning, God answered. He came to see us again this morning at the same place, and he almost ran over to greet us. He said that he had been thinking over all the stuff we had told him about, and that he had more questions to ask. When we prayed for him today, he expressed that he felt the urge to cry and to lift his hands. He had no idea why and he thought it was really "dumb and doesn't make sense," but he just wanted to. (Wow, isn't the Holy Spirit just awesome???) He is always so apologetic for taking up our time and asking so many questions, and today, he finally asked, "Why do you care about me? You don't know me at all, but why do you care if I learn about this Jesus or not?" This has been my first experience ministering to a person who has absolutely no knowledge of Jesus Christ. Most people I've run into, even on mission trips in foreign countries, have at least a basic knowledge of Christ and have heard of him. This guy has no idea who this Man, Jesus is, but he feels a longing and desire to find out. It's amazing how the Holy Spirit is leading him and interceding right now. It really shows that those who thirst and hunger for righteousness, and those that are pure in heart and seek Him WILL see God!! I think it is important to remember that as servants of Jesus Christ, we never know when He will use us and give us an opportunity to change someone's life. It's not like He needs us, He could use anyone else, but what a blessing and an encouragement to know that He considers us worthy and useful in His Kingdom!!! No matter where we go, we are Lights and it's crucial that we let ourselves hear God speaking to us. It's our job and our duty to be contagious and to spread the Word!

-Christina Ho