

Campus Ministry

Alumni Newsletter

NICK & BECCA

CM ALUMNI & OWNERS OF RISE GRAND RAPIDS

We can hardly believe that it's been nearly 5 years since graduating from Grand Valley! We both frequently reminisce about our time at Campus Ministry, and how much that community blessed us and inspired us to chase our dreams. Many friends from CM knew our passion for baking while in college and would request us to bake for birthdays and other parties; we were even asked to cater a wedding! Now, nearly 5 years later, we are running our little bakery called Rise Grand Rapids.

Rise is a gluten free, vegan, and soy-free bakery based in Grand Rapids, MI. We specialize in wedding cakes, donuts, cupcakes, yum-tarts and more. We don't yet have a storefront, but we bake out of a commercial kitchen and provide baked goods to 11 wholesale accounts around Grand Rapids. It's our joy to bake and to provide allergy-conscious customers with delicious and beautiful products!

Place an order at www.risegrandrapids.com

Instagram: @risegrandrapids

Facebook: Rise Grand Rapids



Alumni Spotlights

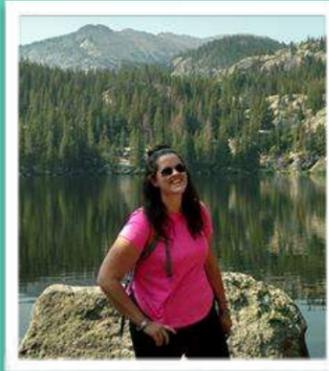


**RAYANNE
BEAUDRY**

CM @ GVSU
DIRECTOR
OF ALUMNI
RELATIONS

I got involved with CM as a freshman in the Fall of 2009, and I served in many capacities throughout my time as a student - Music Team intern, Spring Break leader, The Well planning team...and I just can't stay away! I came back on staff in the Fall of 2017 after spending a few years living in Taiwan, Australia, and back here in Grand Rapids working in nonprofits and education in a variety of different capacities. I'm responsible for keeping alumni engaged in community with each other and to the ongoing work that CM continues to do at GVSU. I look forward to continuing to build this network!

Alumni around the world...



KATHRYN WICKMAN

DENVER, CO

I moved to Denver, Colorado in 2012 after putting the names of 50 states in a hat and drawing Colorado 5 out of 7 times. I did a quick Google search, found Denver Seminary, and five

years later I'm a Licensed Professional Counselor spending 40 hours per week as "Miss Kat," a mental health counselor at an elementary school. I also have a small private practice for low income adults in a nearby town, which I consider to be incredibly fun ministry. I continue to stay because I can see the mountains anywhere I look, and the sun comes out in the winter!

ALLIE HANKINS

HOUSTON, TX

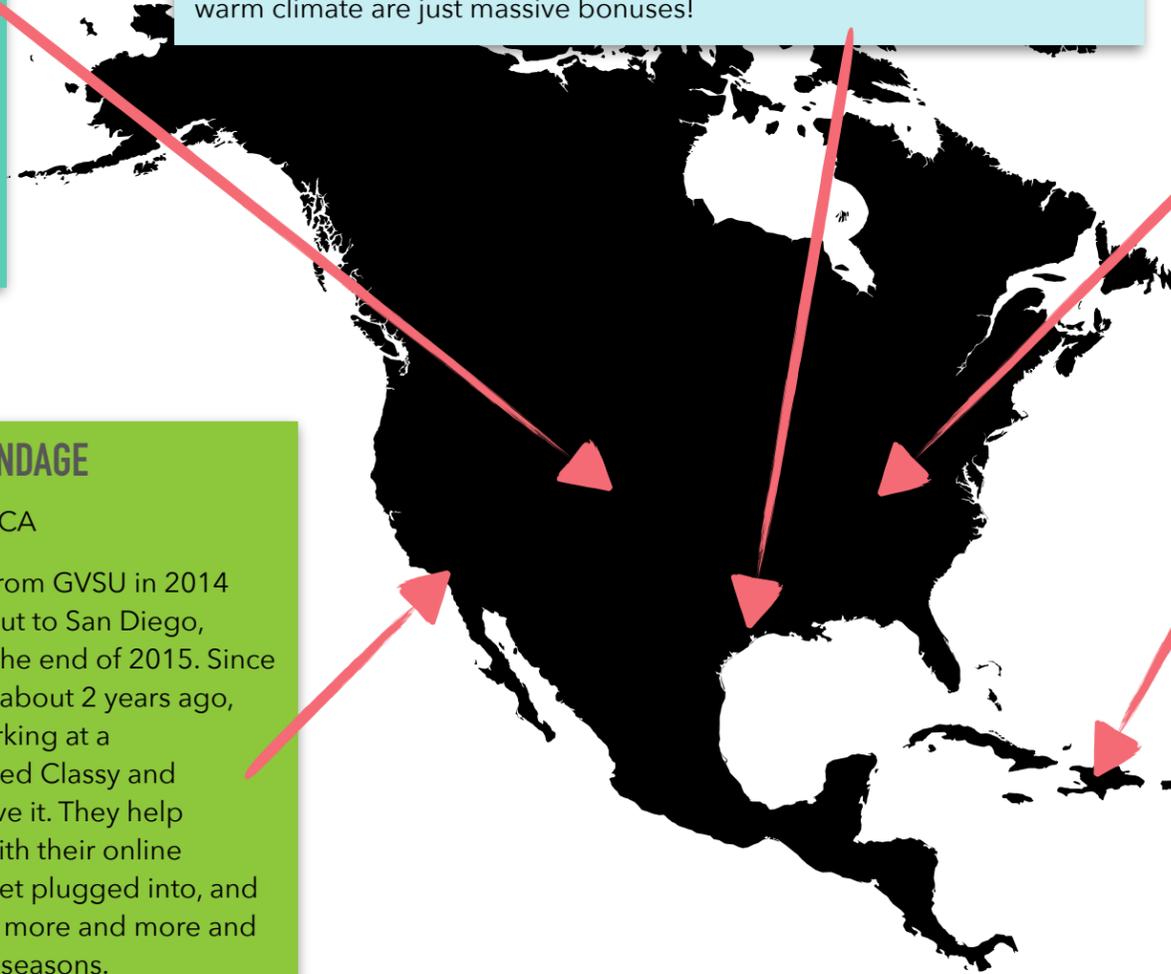
The week I graduated from GVSU, I accepted the position of Operations Manger at The Alliance - an anti-human trafficking organization based out of Houston, Texas. My experience in Houston over the past three months has been nothing short of God ordained. The Lord has put constant opportunity, wonderful people, and a thriving church in my path. My position at The Alliance gives me the chance to use my intellect, energy, and creativity to battle the issue of human trafficking in Texas. It's an absolute honor to be serving the Lord in Houston. The Tex-Mex, BBQ & warm climate are just massive bonuses!



KIRSTEN GRENIER

NASHVILLE, TN

I currently live in Nashville, Tennessee and am a publicist for The GreenRoom PR, a PR firm which specializes in Country music. We are a team of 7 and have a roster of 13 clients, but I specifically work with Thomas Rhett, Brett Young, Radio personality Bobby Bones and a new artist named Bailey Bryan. As a publicist, my job is to secure and oversee press opportunities for our clients. This can include: TV bookings, music video premieres, magazine covers, red carpets, tour press, etc. This involves writing press releases, "pitching" to media, fielding press requests and orchestrating details with bookers, journalists and producers to make sure press opportunities run smoothly for the client. It involves a good bit of travel, and the hours can be crazy sometimes - but I really enjoy it and am thankful I get the chance to work in music.



STACIA BRUNDAGE

SAN DIEGO, CA

I graduated from GVSU in 2014 and moved out to San Diego, California at the end of 2015. Since moving here about 2 years ago, I've been working at a company called Classy and absolutely love it. They help non-profits with their online

fundraising. I found a church out here to get plugged into, and it's been amazing to get to know The Lord more and more and in different ways when you are in different seasons.

CODY ZUIDERVEEN

HAITI

I work as a church and leadership developer in Haiti, which means that I meet with and encourage pastors, train deacons, support Christian education, develop youth ministry, and serve as the academic dean of the Reformed Seminary of Haiti, where I teach systematic theology.



What an alumni network could look like

Stay connected to other alumni

Stay involved with CM

Mentor current students

Career networking with alumni and students

How you can support Campus Ministry

Think about how CM has impacted your life. Do you want an opportunity to provide the same experience for more students?

100% of Campus Ministry's annual budget comes from donations by churches and individuals like you.

Did you know?

We handed out 780 burgers and 576 hot dogs at our annual kick-off weekend cookout!

Our staff to student ratio is about 1:100. That's pretty efficient!

An average of about 550-600 students attend The Well each week.

Visit <http://campusministrygv.com/support-us/alumni> to learn more about how to support us.

CampusMinistry @GVSU

As we look back and reflect on what God has done through Campus Ministry @ GVSU over the last 20+ years, we cannot help but be humbled and grateful to God for his incredible faithfulness. Campus Ministry has grown exponentially over the last 20 years, and God has used Chris Pieters to help make CM what it is today: Campus Praise Rally's, Cookouts, Canoe Trips, Spring Break Mission Trips, student leadership opportunities, etc. Literally tens of thousands of lives have been impacted forever through this on-campus ministry. We are beyond grateful for the ways God has miraculously provided "manna" for us. He has always provided just enough money for us year after year to keep us going.

Our operating budget for 2017 is \$310,000 - this includes staff salaries and our growing program expenses. With Chris transitioning out and a couple amazing new CM staff transitioning in, we are anticipating an overall **budget shortfall of about \$32,000 for 2017**. Would you prayerfully consider standing with us during this transition? In honor of Chris' 20 years here at GVSU, we are praying for:

20 people to give \$100 = \$2,000
20 people to give \$500 = \$10,000
20 people to give \$1,000 = \$20,000

As we begin to look into the future, we love to dream and wonder about what God wants to do through Campus Ministry @ GVSU over the next 20 years. We want to dream God-sized dreams, but we know that it will require faith: faith from the CM staff as we lead the charge and faith from God's generous people who are willing to partner with us in changing the world here at GVSU. We truly covet your prayers and partnership with us!

"Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen."
(Ephesians 3:20-21)

YES! I WANT TO BE A PART OF THE STORY OF CAMPUS MINISTRY @ GVSU!



I WOULD LIKE TO GIVE A GIFT OF:

_____ \$1,000 _____ \$500 _____ \$100

I WOULD LIKE TO RENEW MY GIFT OF: _____

Please send me/us information on Campus Ministry @ GVSU

NAME (Mr./Mrs./Ms./Dr./Rev.): _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

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