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Christi Farley at the University of South Carolina November 2018

We do almost everything we can to help students multiply their lives as believers. We train, cast vision, teach, model, encourage, empower... You can imagine how excited we are when we meet a student coming into college who's already impacting others for Christ.

Ryan is a freshman business major from Ohio. He got plugged into one of our student-led Bible studies right away. As he was talking to our staff-guy Sam a few weeks into the school year, he was processing just how many of the guys in his residence hall didn't know Jesus. "If only I could get them some Bibles," Ryan lamented. Well, we had just bought 80 Bibles to make available to students. Sam offered him 4 and Ryan went on his way.

The next morning Ryan texted asking for more Bibles; he had given those to his friends. We gave him more. The next day he texted again, asking for more Bibles. And on and on... Ryan has given away over 2 dozen Bibles to *freshmen guys*, who are generally some of the least spiritually-interested students on campus.

Then Ryan took his next step.

He went back to all of these guys and said, "Now that you have a Bible, you need to know how to read it. I'll be teaching a Bible study for you all on Wednesday nights at 8."

Twelve non-Christian freshman guys come to Ryan's Bible study each week, where they discuss the gospel, learn to read their Bibles, and get to know Christ.



Ryan and his friends at our lipsync battle at Fall Retreat



Grateful to lead and serve with this staff team here in Columbia

Ryan is 18 and doesn't consider himself too young to have an impact for Christ. I think of how much his parents, church, and friends must have invested in Ryan to help him become the man he is today. I'm so grateful that God has allowed us to be a part of Ryan's life in this season, and we're praying we can continue to empower him as he reaches others for Christ.

Prayer Requests

- For Ryan and the guys in his group- that they would come to know the Lord!
- We've had 175 freshman sorority girls attend something by our Greek Impact ministry this semester. Pray that they'll connect with our student leaders and have hearts ready for the gospel.
- For endurance for my staff team and students as we push through to the ends of the semester. I think we're all encouraged but tired. Pray that we would not grow weary in doing good! (Gal. 6:9)