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Update From Serving at h2o Church



It's the Craziest Season for Campus Ministry! And God is Here.

"By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." -John 13:35-



As I mentioned in my last prayer letter, the beginning of the fall semester is immensely important in reaching incoming students since the trajectory of a person's college career is often set in that first 10 days. So we go ALL IN in an effort to reach as many as possible in anyway possible.

I am pleased to report that God blessed our efforts!

In 10 short (but exhausting) days, we passed out :

- Over 2000 water bottles (with H2O's name and website on them)
- About 4000 H2O cards (these are discount cards with deals from 12 local businesses)
- A BA-Jillion H2O pens, stickers, candy, & cotton candy

As a result of doing this, we had over 400 students fill out spiritual interest cards and over 100 of them indicated they want to have a conversation about how to have a relationship with God! What is more, we had over 30 new people at our kickoff event!

Though God has been using H2O Akron to bring life to campus, it is our prayer that He would bring *New Life* to the hundreds of students we interacted with this past month. **Please pray that the new relationships H2O students made with these freshmen would result in them forming a new relationship with Jesus.** Our staff team and dozens of our student leaders are currently in the process of following up with those who filled out connection cards, and specifically those who marked they wanted to talk about starting a relationship with God. In fact, just yesterday I got a text that from one of our student leaders saying a girl just entered into a relationship with Jesus, and another today! Praise God for what he is doing!

This weekend is our Fall retreat where we are hoping that new students get solidified into our community and experience God in a profound way. Currently we have 51 people registered; Pray for us in this important weekend of ministry for H2O. God isn't done yet! In the busyness of all the work that goes into loving these students, I thank God for you all, my ministry team, who are praying for us and financially supporting us to do this work with college students at Akron. THANK YOU!



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