

Dear Church Family,

On April 28th, Brad and I took down a group of students to Thetis Island to work through the book of 1 Corinthians.

Over the week, we learned well the beauty of leaning on one another, embracing our weaknesses, leaning on our different strengths and trusting in the work of the Holy Spirit. The cool thing was, as soon as we were honest about our weakness and tired hearts with the students, God began opening up doors.

The students were able to take hold of a number of truths from 1 Corinthians throughout the week. One of the biggest changes I saw in the PG crew was the simple truth on how God could use them to love others. It was a joy to see students step out in faith, pray for one another and come up with ideas on how to create community at UNBC for the fall semester!

For others, they learned about how God cares about their relationships as Paul teaches in 1 Cor. 7-8. We did a manuscript passage in these passages that talk about difficult issues such as sex, and Paul's thoughts on singleness. During our study, students were made aware to see how God loves marriage, that sex is a good gift from the Lord and Paul challenge to think about our relationships in light of Christ's second coming. Students left knowing that they could navigate through their difficulties in their relationships through "Remaining in Him!" (1 Cor. 7:24)

One of the challenges they left with was the question, how can you use your relationship to build up the community?

Here is a short testimony from one of the students that attended:

"The main theme of 1st Corinthians is love and unity within the church. I learned about the struggles and rewards of unity, as well as concrete steps to create unity. God was teaching me about strength in diversity, and how every person brings something to the Kingdom." - Madi, UNBC Student

There are many stories from the students and myself that week I wish to share, but I have written at length on our blog which you can find at <https://bergenballads.wixsite.com/website>

Until then, would you pray with us for students in the North?

- Pray that students would continue to take the challenges from 1 Corinthians into their summer jobs.
- Pray for those who have questions about housing, jobs or deciding what programs to enter into in the fall.

- Pray that students would continue to walk with Christ over the summer.

And for ourselves.

- Pray as I think through about pray about vision for the coming fall at UNBC and CNC
- Pray for Brad and myself as we partner with Nesslake Bible Camp in supporting their staff spiritually and sharing the Gospel with children and teens this summer
- Pray for myself as I connect with Grade 12's and help prepare them for coming to Prince George in the Fall
- Pray for restoration as we decompress from busy months in ministry.

Thank you for your prayers and support in Campus Ministry in Prince George.
May the God of peace give joy on our pilgrim journey

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