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The fall semester is flying by! Here are a few highlights from the semester and ways God has been at work on the Arkansas campus through RUF.





Sermon Series on Relationships

Every Wednesday night of the semester we gather to worship the Lord and hear from his word. This semester instead of preaching through a book of the Bible, we've gone through a series on relationships. All of us are thinking about relationships and

interacting with each other all the time. Students are no different. Too often our thoughts and ideas of relationships and relating are more impacted by current cultural moments and things we hear and see from our peers rather than the word of God. We've spent an entire semester looking at relationships, what God has to say about them, and how to apply the wisdom of God's word to how we relate with others.

Some highlights from our semester sermon series so far...

- **Genesis 1-3 and what it means to be made in the image of God and how sin impacts all of our relationships.**

- **Psalm 139 and relating to the all-knowing and omnipresent God who knows us intimately and is always with us.**
- **Friendship and the many Proverbs that point us to loving friends, encouraging friends, challenging friends, and bearing one another's burdens in love.**
- **1 Corinthians 7 and the reality of how Paul talks about the goodness and gift that singleness is and how in our singleness we have amazing opportunities to serve the Lord.**
- **Matthew 18 and the goodness of forgiveness.**

- One night we had a Q&A discussion and Anna Caroline and I answered lots of questions about dating, marriage, and sexual ethics. We had fun!





**Will you please pray with me for students as they
process this series on relationships?**

Please pray for students as they ponder the kindness of God's sacrificial love and as they are weekly confronted with the goodness of God's wisdom for how we should relate to and care for others.

Pray for wisdom for students who are dating.

For the reshaping and renewal of how they think about romantic relationships and marriage.

For students struggling with being single.

For students struggling with sexual sin.

For students longing for deeper friendships.

**For grace and courage for students who want to tell hard
things to others, who want others to know their hearts,
but are too afraid to tell.**

Thank you for your prayers!



Welcome Week and Early Semester Events!

**We do a lot of fun things in the early stages of the semester
with the hopes of meeting and connecting with new students.**

We want to have fun and also show them the welcoming, kind heart of Jesus towards new people. Thank you for praying for these events and our interactions with students.

Below are photos from three fall events, Slip-N-Slide, Lake Day, and our camping trip.









New Followers of Jesus!

Two students who we've been ministering to this semester professed faith in Christ for the first time just in the past few weeks. We are rejoicing to see the salvation of the Lord and so thankful for how he draws new believers to himself. Praise the Lord! It's awesome and we are excited and eager to continue to walk with them.

Please pray for these new believers and the growth and maturing of faith in Jesus.



More Prayer Requests!

Please pray:

**For new students, freshmen and transfers, to get connected
and involved with Christian community and a local church.**

For freshmen students struggling with anxiety and fears related to all the newness and hard things the first semester of college throws at them.

For God's blessing and wisdom upon the student leaders of our Bible studies who are facilitating discussions through the book of Galatians this semester.

For wisdom and grace and the love of Jesus to flow out of my interns and me as we shepherd and care for this group of students.

For the many prayer requests above related to our relationships series!

Thank you!



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Thank you for praying for us and supporting this ministry. It is a joy to minister to the students at the University of Arkansas, and you help make that possible.

Please consider RUF at Arkansas as you think towards year end giving. Please also consider monthly giving in the new year. As this ministry continues to grow, the expenses continue to increase, and we cannot do this without your generosity. I would love for you to join us in the work of what God is doing on campus through RUF at Arkansas. You can give online with the link below or you can write a check to PO Box 890004 Charlotte, NC 28289-0004. Thank you!

Grace and peace,

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"Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

Revelation 7:10



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