

SPRING GROWTH

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Visiting new campuses often involves planting seeds of faith – helping faculty and administrators see themselves as called by God to be faithful followers of Jesus at their universities. Some grow immediately; others take time and multiple visits over many years. God causes this growth over time, and we are so thankful for those Christian professors and for Cru undergrad staff who are learning to minister to them.



New Mexico State -- Kyle and Melissa are Cru staff at NMSU. We connected on my visit there last month. They work fulltime with undergraduate students but are now both involved with Christian professors who pray that they will be salt and light to their students.

Also -- *thanks* for praying for the open doors on that trip. There is a growing group of Christian professors who want to find ways to connect with other colleagues and live out their faith. Two of those faculty have been in touch since that visit – wanting to learn more about being an effective witness on campus.



Univ Texas San Antonio – Cru director James says “God can use Christian professors to help students here see that faith in Jesus is real and it lasts.” He is working with his Cru staff team to help his students connect with professors in creative ways.

I was there a year ago with John Boudreaux (Faculty Commons at LSU) and it’s been fun to follow up on that visit and see what James is praying will happen there.



Stephen F Austin Univ – Amidst teaching undergrad and grad students, research and watching his kids’ countless athletic events with his wife Mary, Eric is starting a Bible study with other Christian professors focused upon the role of faith in their lives.

Eric was discipled during his own graduate school days by Phil Bishop, a Christian professor at the University of Alabama. He is applying those lessons in discipleship now in the lives of students on his own campus.



Texas A&M Univ -- Besides discipling college students and parenting her own three kids with her husband David, Cru staff member Ali continues to find ways to encourage and connect with women professors on campus.

She and David spent many years as missionaries in Asia and she shows that same love for Jesus to professors that she shared in foreign lands.

You allow us to work with those who touch the lives of thousands of college students. Thanks.

Steve and Sarah