



Making a Move

"It's a cow town." That is what we usually heard about the town of Greeley, Colorado since we moved to Denver. We have been praying throughout this school year for God's direction because we knew that the ministry in Denver was no longer the best fit for our strengths, for our values, and for our family. As we were exploring various options, a regional director recommended that we take the time to check out Greeley. We highly respect this director's thoughts and opinions, so we recently made the hour long trip north to Greeley to meet the staff team at the University of Northern Colorado (UNC) and to explore this socalled "cow town." Honestly, we had somewhat low expectations. However, during our visit, we found ourselves encouraged by how closely the UNC team works together to reach the students on this campus and by how much they love living in Greeley. In a lot of ways, UNC also reminded us of Missouri State University (from which we both graduated) in Springfield, Missouri. Working at only one campus also gives us the freedom to live near UNC, allowing Darci to be much more involved in students' lives while being a new mother. We are very excited to make the move to Greeley sometime this summer and join the UNC staff team in the fall. We believe this change will help us take full advantage of the strengths and gifts that God has given to us as individuals and as a family. "For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them." -Ephesians 2:10

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As students approach graduation, it is our hope that although they may not be employed as ministers, they would know that they are sent with a mission anywhere they go. To help prepare them for this mission, we hosted a Senior

night and gave them some practical steps to take as they join the workforce. The reality of their situation is that this is another time of transition, much like when they were

s e n i o r s graduating from high school and coming into adulthood as freshmen at college. The temptation remains to live selfishly or to give themselves fully to this



live selfishly or to give hear from Crusade staff about furthering themselves God's kingdom after they graduate.

world. In most cases, Christians don't purposely walk away from God; rather, they drift away. It is our prayer that these seniors will choose to release their wants, desires, time, and treasures to Christ. Surrender-easy to say, harder to do. In addition to challenging them to surrender their lives to Christ, we encouraged them to continue thinking about and praying for God's kingdom. We also stressed the importance of having a coach or mentor who will invest in them and continue to equip them as they fulfill their mission. Lastly, we shared with them the importance of having a team of people who are also surrendered to Jesus, have a shared vision, and a plan. One senior, Becky, had this to share about being part of a Christian community this year, "I've learned that community isn't just a good thing, it is a necessary part of God's plan for our lives."

Thank you for your prayers and partnership! God bless,

Brett & Darc

Prayer Requests

- Praise God for Seniors graduating with a purpose and mission for their lives.
- Please pray that our house would sell soon and at a good price.
- Please pray for us to have a smooth transition to Greeley.

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