

BACK TO XENIA . . . FOR THE SUMMER

"JOSHUA 24:15 "BUT AS FOR ME AND MY HOUSEHOLD, WE WILL SERVE THE LORD"

Lenses

Our Lenses team did another incredible job in NYC training our CRU staff to grow in their Biblical and Cultural competency to better live out and minister the gospel globally. We also got the opportunity to train our South African Staff to launch Lenses Institutes for racial reconciliation in their country and hopefully their continent. Below is also a picture of my small group who I journeyed with for the week. We are opening up institutes to people outside of our staff, if you are interested please let me know.



The Entire NYC Cohort



My Small Group in NYC



Our Lenses Staff Team

Campus Ministry with Metro State University and Regis University

Had a great volunteer team this year making our team of seven people all serving part-time. We saw several ladies come to know Jesus, built good reports with some teams and continue to move in discipling young men and women. Please pray for our five graduating seniors as they get sent out into the real world. Please pray for three of our athletes who will participate in Athletes in Action summer projects to come back on fire and ready to lead on campus as we seek to find a Christ-follower on every team, every campus in the Denver Metro Area. Two will participate in our [Ultimate Training Camp in Ft. Collins May 26-June 1](#) and one guy will be playing with our [AIA baseball team](#), the [Chinooks](#) for two months in Alaska.

Alliance Theological Seminary

School has been going great. I am 83 credits into a 93 credit Master's of Divinity Program with a Bible and Missions concentration from Alliance Theological Seminary. I have 3.3 classes left to take this fall and will walk in NYC May of 2020. I will continue to do what I am doing now but on a full intensity scale. I will be with our Lenses Institute full-time, on campus with Metro State University Athletes one day a week and coach baseball for Athletes in Action in the summer. The program has been amazing for continued leadership development. Two exciting things from this past semester was the Soul Care class I took, where I traveled to Vernon, Canada to be part of the Soul Care Conference and allow for some deep forgiveness and freedom from strongholds to take place. Secondly, was my World Religions class where I visited and interviewed guys from a Sikh Temple and a Jewish Outreach Ministry both here in Denver. I learned a ton from my experience. Also a book I really recommend is *Seeking Allah Finding Jesus* by Nabeel Qureshi.



Gurdwara (Sikh Temple in Denver)

Sex-Trafficking update *This is Katie. This week I was able to visit one of the women that was rescued from the sex-trafficking industry and take our little girl Eve, who was such a blessing to her. We were really encouraged by her progress and life trajectory. Also I loved getting to visit another small group and teach sex-trafficking awareness with some solid action points. Please pray for me this summer as I head back to Xenia and as Taylor will have his hands full with the college baseball players. Pray for us to continue to live out the gospel really well as a couple to each other and to others.*

Family Eve turns 1 years old on June 5th and we are so thankful for how she has been on mission with us this year. She is a huge blessing to many with her playful personality and her joy. We hope her baseball swing will begin to take form as she will be around at least 22 home games for a couple innings.



Prayer Bomb

Jesus thank you for the faithfulness of so many investing in your ministry and praying for us so we can make a huge dent for your kingdom. Please bless them with your presence in many ways. Pour out your goodness on all the missions projects globally around the world. Please help the Xenia Scouts be part of your global work this summer! Bring Unity to your bride In Jesus name amen (John 17)!

Xenia Scouts Baseball

I am thankful for another opportunity to use baseball and the Bible to disciple college athletes this summer. This will be my 11th summer with AIA baseball. The last two years we took off in order to get married and bring Eve Jeru into this world. I am happy to be reunited with Jason Lester who I coached under in Texas with AIA in 06-07 and who recruited me on staff. I am also happy to be reunited with Bubba Cates the head coach who together we were part of some of the best Xenia teams on and off the field. Our current GM has terminal pancreatic cancer and has been bouncing around from different clinical trials. Please pray for Dave to experience the beauty of Jesus being close to him. Also there are several other health conditions that our staff will have that will require us to depend on Jesus. Please pray for our guys to be disciplined well, for the gospel to go out in power to the over 250 college athletes and coaches. Please pray for some more host families for our players and for our team to be united. We would love to kick butt and tell people about Jesus but most importantly is that these guys will become disciples who make disciples for a lifetime. These days can be 12-16 hour grinds for two months straight. Please pray for our family and Sabbath time on Mondays and for Katie and I to find a good rhythm. Katie is also excited to be back in Xenia for the summer and reconnect with many of her favorite people and places. We have done these events all over the world, but we have not done them as a married couple or with a precious little girl. Your prayers will be needed.



2015 Xenia Scouts

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