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THE POWER OF MULTIPLICATION

by Kendall Meek :: Director

Matthew 18:15-20

Is there such a thing as a more pronounced presence of God? If so, is there such a thing as legitimate pursuit of that presence, or are we simply to passively wait for God to initiate his activity?

I often hear some people make fun of less sophisticated believers when the latter ask in prayer for God to come meet with them, the former sometimes respond, "don't they know God is already here?"

Well, isn't it true that God is always present with us as individual believers? Then what is Matthew 18:20 trying to teach us?

I believe that there is something about agreement and unity between believers that attracts the Father's attention. Similarly, it seems the preceding verses are teaching us that unity is so important we are to openly confront that which compromises it, decisively.



Students praying at 2M

"Where two or three come together in my name, there I am with them". We know this is true of individuals, but is it possible this is true of different

parts of the body as well? I have to say we are experienc-



ing that to a certain extent with a project we are calling "2M" here on the campus of WTAMU. On the 2nd Monday of every month (thus ... "2M") we are canceling our regular worship service and joining with Chi-Alpha (Assemblies of God campus ministry) as well as students from various other religious organizations, to "come together" in pursuit of a more pronounced presence of God. So far we are convinced that God is proving his word true.

The energy and presence of God has been powerful at these events, and students' hearts are being changed as a result.

Several campus ministries are reporting a moderately greater level of participation, commitment, and enthusiasm among more students than they ever have before. But we all know as well that we are just scratching at the surface. We still need so much support through prayer.

You might be wondering how ministries with so many differences can truly come together and worship in a genuine, and not contrived unity.

Well its simple. Read Tit 3:9; 2 Tim 2:23; and Rom 14-15:7. We focus on what we agree on, the fundamentals of the orthodox Christian faith, that which is outlined in the creeds of the church.

These things are not disputable and a unity where disagreement around these is concerned

would be false and poisonous. We exercise tolerance on issues outside of these boundaries, per the advice of scripture.

The end result is that not only are we experiencing powerful worship together, but we are also experiencing deep and lasting fellowship and friendships across organizations. God is so good!

I encourage everyone to read



Wesley Band at 2M

part of Wesley's opinion on this subject at our website : <http://www.wtwesley.com/about/catholic.htm>

CENTURY CLUB DECLINE:

As of right now our Century Club donations are down by \$6,000. In addition to sustaining the ministries that are happening here, we still have several projects left to be completed with our facilities. Enclosed is a self-addressed remittance envelope. Please consider being a part of our Century Club for a donation of at least \$100 per year.

Sideline Strategy

YELSEW WARRIORS

by Brandon Shook

That's right fans it's that time of year again!! WAR-RIOR TIME! Our goal this year was more than just putting a team together and having fellowship within our team. We wanted to share our comradery of fellowship with other teams that we encountered. This year was a pretty dismal year for our flag football program at West Texas A&M due to the

unusual rain showers that we had in the Panhandle. So we didn't play very many intramural games. We did however team up with another campus ministry, Chi Alpha and play football for hours on end after church services on Sundays during the months of September and October. When we did get to play your Warriors played with their heart. At our only regular season game that we were able to play we won the hearts of the other team by inviting them to pray with us before we went to battle and after the dust cleared. We did however end up victorious on the field, but mainly because of a relationship with three of the other team members that has developed by just talking to them after that game. I know that it was special to them and ourselves because every time they see us our conversa-



Yelsew Warriors Cheerleaders

tions on campus have been more than a casual greeting and goodbye. Thank you for your support and continue to pray for our intramural teams spreading the love of fellowship through the different sports in which we participate .



FOOLS ... FOR CHRIST?

by Mital Patel

It is amazing to me how God uses things that we esteem as silly and turns them into huge ministry outreaches. Over the summer we came up with the brilliant idea that we would dress up in fun attire and go out to eat from time to time. The first time we tried this we all dressed in yellow. The next time we were all mimes and ate at Johnny Carino's. Oh, yes, we got into character. We got

Painted up and did not talk to each other or to our servers except through our animated expressions. Needless to say, our acting skills were developed so much we could probably change our majors to theater. The first two outings were fun, but once the semester started, our ideas had to get bigger and better. This semester's themed dinners include Pirate Night at Joe's Crab Shack, Cowboy and Indian Night

at Texas Roadhouse, and Superhero Night at Blue Sky.

We never knew that eight of us going out to eat all dressed in yellow would soon turn into groups of nearly 40 students in extravagant costumes. As



Pirate Night

a result, "themed dinner nights" has turned into a full-fledged, ongoing ministry. God has taught us so much about fellowship through this ministry. That group of 40 contains students from various campus ministries getting together and enjoying and supporting each other. Ecclesiastes 8: 15 says, "So I recommend having fun,



Matt Kirk : SuperHero Night

because there is nothing better for people to do in this world than to eat, drink, and enjoy life. That way they will experience some happiness along with all the hard work God gives them." What a blessing it is to be able to celebrate life and rejoice in the privilege of serving our God together. And how truly amazing it is that God celebrates in our silliness with us when it is intended for His Glory.

Cowboy & Indian Night



GUATEMALA MISSION REPORT

by Staci Leonhard : Associate Director

Mixing concrete by hand isn't something that most of us would choose to do, but for 7 of us from the Wesley Foundation, mixing concrete and other manual labor was a joy for 8 days in August. On August 6th, we left Amarillo for Hogars de Ninos, a children's home in Villa Neuva, Guatemala. We spent 8 days there with a

WT Student Jeremy Albers with children from Hogars de Ninos



team from Red Lion Pennsylvania. During the first day of work, a goal was set before us of finishing the rust protection of the metal framework of a shop, as well as mixing, pouring, and finishing two curbs and gutters to help with draining, as they receive about 100 inches of rain per year. We not only met that goal but completed other projects within the premises as well. There were two days that were exceptions to the norm. On Sunday we attended the church that meets on the children's home premises, went to Antigua to tour a convent completed in 1736, went shopping at the market, and then ended our day experiencing Guatemalan fast food. On Wednesday we went to a large dump in Guatemala City. There we saw people digging for a living, hoping to make the equivalent of

and not remembering any selfishness speaks loudly. We will be going back to Guatemala during spring break. Several students are



Guatemala mission team including members from Chapel UMC Pennsylvania

five American dollars so they could feed their families.

We all came back with a new understanding of love; what it means to love, and to be loved. The children had never seen us before; just minutes after we met them, we were receiving hugs, and playing games with them. Watching 25 or 30 kids play at any given time together with one ball,

interested, and the fundraising process has begun. The cost of the trip is \$1500 per student. If you would like to be a part of sponsoring a student, mark checks "Guatemala trip", or for more information call or email the Wesley.

THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES

by Justin Hancock

Friends, I am writing you this to tell you thank you for your years of love and support as I have been at the Wesley. This place has taught me a deeper definition of Christ's love as I have been able to impact students in amazing ways. But what is so amazing is that as I have had an impact on them, the students I meet have had a deeper impact on me. I now know what is means to be loved unconditionally. I now understand how to love somebody in Christ even when you don't have it in yourself to love them. My time at the Wesley has taught me these things. In addition, I have made some of the dearest friends I have ever had, truly brothers and sisters in Christ that I know no matter how far the distance will always be with me. These

are friends who know how to make me laugh, know how to make me listen, and know just what to say when there's something I need to hear, even if I'm not quite ready to hear it. I must confess that it is at this point that I am running out of words to describe the



Homecoming King Finalist

effect that the Wesley has had on my life. But, then again, I think that is normal. After all, how do you put into words a place that is so much a part of you that you physically feel it when you're not able to be there, for this is what the Wesley is to me. Although I feel a great deal of sadness in leaving, I also have great joy in looking in the faces of those that will take my place. Just the opportunity to know that this place had a chance to be the same fertile place of growth for others, just as it was for me gives me great joy and hope that indeed the Wesley is truly doing God's most important work. So as I plan to move on and continue the work that God has for me, I once again ask you to support this place with loving care and prayer. Because as you pray for the Wesley, you pray for those it touches as well, and that is the greatest way to spread the message of the Gospel. Thank you, I love you, and God bless.



WESLEY WISH LIST:

- A new computer with MS Office
- An edger
- With the addition of our worship bands, we need upgrades to our sound equipment totaling around \$2,000.
- Adobe Photoshop, (any version)
- A DVD player, that works
- Sofa covers
- Two way radios

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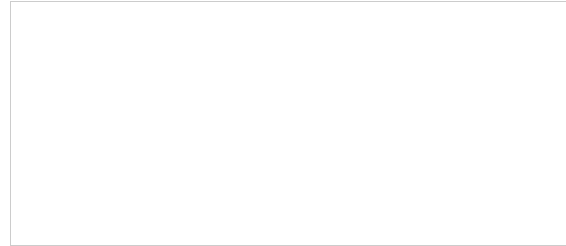
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"It all started with Jesus calling a few men to follow him. . . His concern was not with programs to reach the multitudes, but with men whom the multitudes would follow. . . Men were to be his method of winning the world to God."

~ Robert E. Coleman

WHAT ABOUT CHANGE?

by Jared McKinney

What about change? Well... what about it? Change, it's such a commonly used verb within the church body, but often misused due to fear, pride, laziness, or all of the above. Stepping in to the Wesley mid spring of '04, how little I knew what was stirring. Rumors of a new generation of some sort were being announced, and I had no clue what they meant. I figured I would just make some friends and be merry. But isn't it strange how God doesn't seem to be content with us just settling. I, for one, fell under the category of lazy when it came to the pursuit, or at least the thought, of change. Thoughts of "I'll just let everyone else do this or that," flooded my mind. If there is one thing that I've learned in my time under this Wesley's roof, it is that God does not settle for half baked, lazy, immobile Christians that don't take God seriously enough to push for change, so he

changed me. Again, what is change? Change has several different definitions that claim this verb. But first I want to use some words that work alongside of the verb change, such as alter, modify, and transform. Sound like something that could be used in your life/ministry? Me too. To undergo change, an organization must have all 3 of these coexisting verbs. Alter: *to make radically different*. Alteration must take place in individual lives. This is the category I fell into. Although a Christian I was, God needs all members of the organizations' body to be pushing for change, no slacking, no holding back, no questions asked. Modify: *to make basic or fundamental changes in, often to give a new orientation to or to serve a new end*. The body or members of the organization need to be modified. But notice the words basic and fundamental, not huge,

dramatic changes, but small. Small changes can still allow and give God freedom to do big things. For example, free lunch Tuesday's at the Wesley. We, as the active Wesley students, have found it necessary to break out of our friend group and seek out others that may be sitting, eating alone. Though it is a small simple task, it is an act of Godliness and that's where change begins. Finally transform: *to pass from one phase to another*. The point that all church's, student ministries, and organizations want to pass through. I believe that everyone knows where this place is in there particular situation, its just finding the means of getting there that makes pushing for change, happen. Push fully and not half way.

