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Inside the Life and Ministry of Julie Harrison



SPRING BREAK: IN THEIR OWN WORDS

This past Spring Break, we sent more than 40 students to Big Break, a conference in Florida focused on equipping college students to effectively share the Gospel. Another 10 students went to Africa to visit recent Hokie grads who serve there as missionaries and also to gain a heart for the nations. Two of the women that I disciple were able to go on these two trips. Here's what they had to say!

"When I first felt led to go to Big Break, I was a bit hesitant to sign up because I really wanted to go home to see family. However, I figured I ought to be extremely excited because I knew that I was going to see God do big things that week. And a lot of me was hoping that I would get to be there when someone accepted Christ!

As the week progressed, I thoroughly enjoyed all that the conference had to offer: the beach evangelism, the speakers, worship, and fellowship with my Hokies. However as the end was nearing, I became a little antsy about getting the opportunity to lead someone to Christ while I was in Panama City Beach. After we left the last beach evangelism time, I was very disappointed because I had not personally seen someone accept Christ into their lives.

One of the things the speaker said that now has hit me is that " Successful evangelism is taking the initiative to share Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit and leaving the results up to God". What I learned from that was that God does not need me to lead people to Him, but he want's me to share the hope that He has given me to others that are lost and hopeless. That is a privilege and joy itself!"

-- Elaine Meredith, sophomore



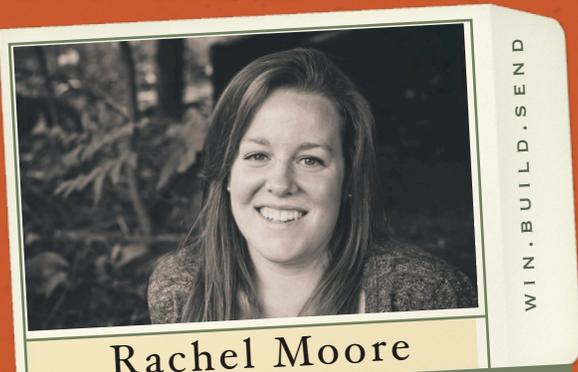
"This spring break trip to North Africa was the most amazing and eye-opening trip I have even taken. It opened up my eyes to the oppression and control of women in other countries and other religions; but it also opened my eyes to my own need for Christ. During our trip we were able to talk to students who shared their life stories with us. All of the women that we talked to expressed the feelings of being trapped by their society and having a desire for something more. One girl said to me, "I just want someone to free me." She craved freedom from the men that controlled where she could go and who she could become. John 8:32 says, "And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." What she didn't know was that Christ

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was that Someone who could truly set her free. We were all able to see and understand how deeply they need the Gospel and how much they crave the freedom offered through the Gospel.

Something else I learned during the trip was how to rely on my brother's in Christ. In this country, women are not respected and often men will cross verbal and physical boundaries. As women, we had to rely on the men to protect us, something I have never experienced before. This extra negative attention from men there meant that we needed to rely on the men in our group to stay with us in public to stop any advances that were made toward us. It was such an encouragement to see men of God showing us such love by protecting us! Overall, the trip taught me so much about God. It showed me how deeply I need the Gospel, how much thirst there is in this world for Christ and how we as Christians are called to go and tell all the nations about Christ and His love." -- Rachel Moore, junior



Rachel Moore

VISION TRIP TO NORTH AFRICA

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Prayer Requests

- * Please pray for those students who went on Spring Break trips. Pray that their excitement for Jesus and evangelism would be contagious to the rest of the movement.
- * Pray for wisdom and discernment as we decide who

should lead Community Groups next year.

- * Praise God for his protection over these two spring break trips and the way He revealed Himself to students over break.
- * Pray for endurance to finish the semester strong!