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Dear Campus Life Friends,

I could see from the expression on her face that she was REALLY frustrated. "Why does God seem so unfair?" she said. The question wasn't even related to the conversation we were having, but it was something very much related to how she was feeling. She was hurting and she felt like nobody cared – not even God. Here at Campus Life we talk a lot about a loving God and the hope that we have in Jesus Christ. That's very important, but along with that message there has to be a person to come along side these kids and model love and compassion. The big events that we do are wonderful, but the time that we spend sitting with students having a soda and talking about their lives and their relationship with God is priceless.

Campus Life is truly MINISTRY DRIVEN. Though fun activities are an important ingredient of Campus Life, we never deviate from our understanding that young people are lost and destined for hell without a Savior. Therefore, a clear presentation of the Gospel is always vital in our programming. As we deal with life and death issues with young people, we are seeing the Power of God bring about forgiveness, healing, acceptance and love. Truly incredible!

There are two words that describe the Campus Life ministry well today – **Challenge** and **Blessing**. **Challenge** in that finances continue to be very tight. The troubled U.S. economy coupled with disasters in other parts of the world make it very difficult to raise needed funds locally. God has ALWAYS been faithful and we are thankful for that. However, this is a constant item of prayer for us here and we ask that you would be praying with us as well.

Blessing is the other word and that relates to the seemingly unending ministry opportunities God has put before us. We work tirelessly to meet these opportunities and are so thankful to God for allowing us to do so. From Andy doing Bible study with kids in jail, to Sara-Jean sharing the Gospel with a young girl, to Mark teaching at his weekly club program, to Denise or I talking with concerned or frustrated parents, God continues to present unique and strategic opportunities to communicate the life changing message of Jesus Christ. Campus Life has truly been blessed and we NEVER take those blessings for granted.

Thank you for your part in this outreach to youth and families here in Sheboygan County. Your prayers, gifts and encouragement are essential and very much appreciated. May God bless you.

Serving the youth and families of the area,

Jim Green

*For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works,
which God prepared in advance for us to do. Ephesians 2:10*