



Capital District Campus Connection

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Coming Soon...

Aug. 31-Sept. 9

Classes Start

New students arrive. IV staff and students invite them to join us on the spiritual journey through college.

Sept. 14-16

Upstate Team Meeting

IV staff in upstate NY gather for training and planning

Sept. 24

Urbana Fundraiser

See invitation below!

Oct. 23-25

Expedition

Our upstate discipleship retreat. 200+ students will take their next step to follow Jesus more faithfully.

Dec. 27-Jan. 1

Urbana 09

InterVarsity's triennial missions conference. Don't miss it! Check out the details at

<http://www.urbana09.org>

It's...BIGGER

As the summer flew quickly by, I found myself anticipating the coming of the school year, wondering what it would be like. After 9 years of stepping onto a college campus every late August or early September to participate in reaching out to a new group of incoming students, this fall I don't have a specific campus assignment. I'm not sitting at club fair tables, helping put on events, and introducing myself to hundreds of students. At the same time, I have every campus assignment. I am responsible to see that the kingdom of God be advanced through the ministry of InterVarsity at Skidmore AND Union AND RPI AND Russell Sage. There are 10,735 undergraduates, plus thousands more grads, faculty and staff at these 4 schools, and I desperately want all of their lives to be transformed by the power of the gospel! Not to mention the more than 50,000 students in the capital district. My "campus" just got so much BIGGER!

Maybe I'm getting a taste of how Jesus felt when he sent out the 12, or the 72. I've trained and prepared my staff, and now they're sent out. Scripture doesn't enlighten me as to what Jesus did while his disciples were in the towns, healing people and casting out demons, but I can guess that he was praying a lot. "Father, give them power and authority...", "Father, let them trust you for their provision...", "Father, may they find favor in the eyes of many...", "Father, may many listen to ME and to YOU as they listen to them...", and "Father, may MANY repent and believe the good news that your kingdom is upon us."

Would you join me as I pray for the staff that Jesus has sent to Skidmore, Union, RPI and Russell Sage? (See specific requests on the back of this letter.) Let's await with great anticipation the joy with which they will return, and the good news they will report, that many have repented and believed the good news!

You're Invited!

InterVarsity's triennial missions conference, Urbana 09, is approaching! Join us for our fund-raising BBQ, and learn how you can help us send students from the capital district to this life-changing conference.



When: Thursday, Sept. 24th, 6 pm

Where: Temple Baptist Church, 142 Lower New Town Rd. Waterford, NY

RSVP: by Friday, Sept. 11th, danielle_bailey@ivstaff.org

All are invited! Please bring your friends. Picnic dinner and childcare will be provided.

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To partner financially with Danielle's ministry: http://www.intervarsity.org/donate/to/Danielle_Bailey

Pray With Me For...



Caleb LaRue @ Skidmore College

- Praise God for exciting meetings with faculty and staff who are all looking forward to what God is going to do on campus!
- Praise God for students who are willing to ask God what He wants for Skidmore, even if it might be risky.
- Pray for a core group of students who are excited about the mission that God has called us to, and who will be willing to take risks to live it out.
- Pray for many new freshmen who are excited about pursuing Jesus at Skidmore.
- Caleb is rebuilding a fledgling chapter. Pray for strength, courage and wisdom as he goes forth.



Jibu Abraham @ Union College

- Praise God for Summit, New England's chapter camp, where Union students bonded as a fellowship and were equipped and empowered to bring the good news to their campus.
- Pray for them as they seek to proclaim the good news in word and deed. Many of the Christian students live in the same dorm. Pray that no one who lives in Webster Hall misses the message that these students have to share with them.
- Pray for the group's efforts to gather like-minded believers, who are passionate about their friends knowing Jesus, for the sake of reaching a larger portion of the campus.



Niki Campbell @ RPI and Russell Sage, and Heather Ardrey, grad staff at RPI

- Praise God that Niki has raised 72% of her budget in about 8 weeks, and can be on campus working with the chapters at Sage and RPI this fall.
- Both chapters are experiencing some structural shifts this semester. Pray against dissention, and for growing excitement about what God wants to do through these changes.
- A couple of exec members needed to step away from leadership. Pray for the work of those who are picking up the slack, and for the health of those who are stepping down.
- Pray that a Bible study will happen mid-day at Sage, to draw in some of the commuter students who don't participate in evening/weekend activities.
- Pray for Heather as she seeks to rebuild the grad/faculty ministry at RPI, for perseverance and creativity.



On all the campuses...

- Praise God for a sense of anticipation that God is moving, and that He will do great things in our midst.
- Pray that we are building witnessing communities who are characterized by conversions—from death to life, and from life to life more abundantly!

On a Personal Note

Ian and Campbell are 4 and 2 now. Being their mom is the hardest and best job I've ever had! Jeremy and I find their energy both exhilarating and exasperating, depending on the moment. We're in the process of building a home in Saratoga on my parents' property, in time for Ian to start school in Schuylerville next fall.

*Thank you all for your continued prayers and partnership!!
Danielle*

