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Our Journey at Mesa State

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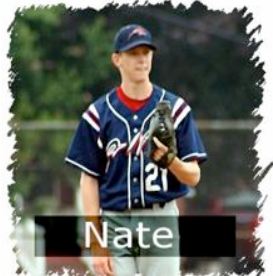
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Looking ahead to 2009



Jessica



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David



Anna



Chris



Sandi

Hope



Forrest



Jessi

Katie

Please join us in praying for Mesa State College as we look forward to what God has in store for us in 2009! There seems to be a growing list of challenges when it comes to effectively reaching today's college students. The average college student seems to have much less of an understanding of Jesus Christ and the Bible than even five years ago. Right now, it is very popular to be "spiritual" as a college student, but a true relationship with Christ and a Biblical worldview is not a common thing to be found. **Please pray that we would be able to use the student's interest in "spirituality" as a way to point them to Christ.** Although the challenge is great, we know that Jesus Christ has the power to transform any people group or culture. As Romans 1:16 puts it, **"For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek."**

As we've evaluated the past year, one area that God has brought to our attention is **the need for more focused evangelism on campus.** This is an area that was thriving just two semesters ago. Our student leaders were bringing non-Christian students to all of our activities. But as many of our more mature students have moved or graduated, this has slowly dissipated! **In 2009, we plan to be more intentional about taking our students out on campus to share their faith.** We also plan to utilize creative methods to meet non-Christian students such as "Soularium," a set of photographs designed to start conversations about spiritual issues. As we do this, we want the students that we are investing in to be right in the mix, observing and getting into the action! **Please pray that we will set a strong example for students to follow in the area of boldly sharing the Gospel.**

These are just a few of the students God has blessed us with. Please pray that He will use their time at Mesa to prepare them to reach and influence the world for Christ!



Amelia



Brett



Sarah



AJ



Susan
MESA

Financial Update (and how that affects our semester!)

As you have probably read from either a previous letter or e-mail, we have been working to raise about \$1,000 in additional monthly support. Thus far, God has raised our support by about **\$300 per month. Praise Him for getting us this far! We are also very thankful for a good share of one-time gifts!** However, as we've evaluated our overall situation with the leadership of our ministry, it has become clear that we must continue to make support raising our priority even though the semester is underway. This means that at least initially we must cut back our time on campus and primarily focus on the large group activities on campus like TNL (Tuesday Night Live). **It is painful having to cut back any of our time on campus, so please pray that God will bring in the remaining \$700 per month quickly so we can devote our full energy to Mesa State students!**

Jesse & Rhonda