

What time is it? Summertime!



Our Seniors at our Navs Graduation Ceremony this past weekend

Can you believe the semester is over? We can't! The end of the semester has been a whirlwind, with end of the year celebrations, wrapping up Bible studies, and preparing for the summer.

We know from seeing and experiencing it every year, that summer can be really difficult for students' spiritual growth. Some students walk into homes that do not have spiritual life growing inside, some students just struggle with the lack of structure over the summer, and the lack of spiritual community holding them accountable.

Would you pray for the spiritual life of the students this summer? Pray that the Spirit would be active in their hearts and that they would have desire and discipline to pursue the Lord and spend time with Him regularly. Would you also pray that they would find rest this summer as they experience a break from the fast pace of a school year?

Event Highlight: East Coast Discipleship Program (ECDP)



Students and staff from our region at East Coast Discipleship Program last year!

Last year, our region launched our first Summer Discipleship Program in Long Beach Island, New Jersey. During this program, students spend two weeks deeply investing in their walk with God. Through Bible study, discipleship between team leaders and team members, initiative evangelism, extended time with God, service projects, and workshops on spiritual disciplines, students will be equipped to walk with God in new ways.

We are excited to be sending 9 students to ECDP this year! These students range from upperclassmen who will be serving as team leaders, to freshmen who will get their first taste of the larger Navigators family network, to students who have just accepted the Lord as their personal Savior this year. We are so hopeful that these students will meet the Lord in very personal ways in these two weeks.

Would you pray for our students going to ECDP? Pray that God would be active in their hearts, bringing conviction, forgiveness, and a desire to walk with him for years to come! Pray for the staff that are leading the program, that they would be energized and would have discernment as they make decisions for the group. Pray that the Spirit would be active in all the hearts of those attending and participating in the program and that each staff and student would be sensitive to the leading of the Spirit.



Student Highlight: Caden

Meet Caden! He is a senior graduating this weekend with a degree in History Inclusive Education. He will be starting an internship with a local church this year in youth ministry and worship arts and will be getting married this summer! Caden has been a part of our Navs crew since his sophomore year, is on our student leadership team, has served as a small group leader, and has been our worship leader for the last two years. He has been a joyful presence in our ministry and we are so thankful for all the Lord has done in his life over the last few years. This past week, the seniors had an opportunity to share what God has done during their time at Millersville and here is what Caden said:

"Over my time at the Millersville Navigators the Lord has blessed me with so much. I have so many great memories, made many great friends, and met the woman I'm going to marry. However, what I truly gained over my time in college is the desire to go "all in" with my relationship with Jesus. I came to Navs with the simple desire of having good friends; as I didn't make the best choices my first year of school. And while I found that community, I also found

a deeper connection with God as He took priority in my life.

Leaving college and Navs, I am choosing to have God as THE priority in my life. While I will have other responsibilities and people I love. The Lord is my everything and everything else comes second. I will move into the next phase of my life with my eyes and heart fixed on Jesus."

Would you pray for Caden as he launches into a new season of life and ministry? Pray that he would continue to pursue the Lord as His only priority during this season of transition. Pray also for his future marriage with his fiancée, Maria, that it would be rooted in Christ and that they would learn to always put Him first. Pray for wisdom as he seeks the Lord for his future.

Scripture to Pray:

During our last week of the semester, we reflected on the story in Joshua of the Israelites crossing the Jordan River on dry ground. In this story, God tells the Israelites to set up a stone memorial so that when the children ask what the stones are for, the elders can remember what God did at the Jordan River and tell the story of God's faithfulness. Joshua 4:5-7 says: *"Each of you is to take up a stone on his shoulder, according to the number of the tribes of the Israelites, to serve as a sign among you. In the future, when your children ask you, 'What do these stones mean?' tell them that the flow of the Jordan was cut off before the ark of the covenant of the Lord. When it crossed the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan were cut off. These stones are to be a memorial to the people of Israel forever."*

We reflected on this story and then had a chance to practice the discipline of remembering. We spent time remembering what God has done this semester, this school year, and for the seniors, over the last four years of their college career. We want to be faithful to remember what God has done for us, so that we can be reminded of His goodness and serve the Lord forever.

Would you pray that we would continue to practice the discipline of remembering? Pray that we would take the opportunities in front of us to remember God's faithfulness and tell stories of His goodness. Pray that the Lord would bless our remembering and draw us close to His heart and create in us a desire to serve the Lord forever.

Thank you so much for your prayers and support.
-The Navigators at Millersville University