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Building a foundation —

News from Uwe

Chi Alpha Campus Ministries @ UCLA

And who knows but that you have come to royal position for such a time as this? (Esther 4:14b)

Greetings from L.A.!

We are already one month into our second year at UCLA. It has been a great summer: We were making new contacts at 17 UCLA orientation sessions at which Chi Alpha was able to have tables, discipling students, and traveling to churches in Southern California. See the back for just two reports regarding this summer.

The first month of our second year at UCLA has been amazing. After successful events in the first week (see below), we made many new contacts with traditional students, as well as with international students. God is even sending us a few international students, who are Christians and are eager to be mentored. Thank you for your continued support, financially and in prayer. Please take time out to pray for the requests on the back each week. Your prayer support is so essential for my ministry. Let me know of your prayer needs. Blessings, and a Happy Thanksgiving,
Uwe

Beginning-of-the-year activities

During the first week of classes, we organized several big events to make new contacts and build new relationships. We had a **coffee give-away**, where we gave out coffee, tea, hot chocolate and water. At our **Taco Fiesta**, we gave out 800 tacos within 90 minutes, played many games, gave out prizes, and made many solid contacts. We also provided a **freshmen dinner** for new students and old Chi Alpha members. And finally, we had a **welcome bar-b-q** at pastor Winston's house with lots of games and fun.

At all these activities we strengthened our relationships with our "old" internationals and our "old" traditional students, while getting to know new internationals (Mike, Gina, Ruby, Sandy, Rashmi, and others) and new traditional students (Matt, Jonathan, Rosemary, and others).



Food and games at welcome dinner (left), Bar-b-q and games at cook-out (below)



Sign-up, games, and taco give-away, at the Taco Fiesta in the middle of campus (3 pictures on left)



Prayer Requests:

- New divine connections with students, especially freshmen and transfer students
- Guidance for sharing Christ with our non-Christian international students, effective international student friendship events and Thanksgiving outreach
- Effective discipleship of all students, traditional and international
- Maturity and growth for the leadership team and other students involved in Chi Alpha
- Increased financial support and offerings
- Release of God's supernatural power at UCLA and in my life

Ministry in Germany

My summer began with a trip to Germany . I was able to minister to the Chi Alpha group in Berlin who serves three universities there. I was able to meet the group leaders, pray with the group, and participate in worship. I then preached to the about 20 people in German. God really used me to encourage the American workers and the German believers. God especially spoke to one of the new German leaders in Berlin, Jana, who studies math and is new to experiencing God in a tangible way.



Worship at the group in Berlin (top), I am speaking to the Berlin Chi Alpha in German (right)



Noah gets baptized by pastor Winston (top), audience, including me, at the baptism.

Noah's Baptism

While Chi Alpha was doing many things during the summer, we also met with students who stayed in Los Angeles during the summer months. I had the opportunity to meet regularly with one of our leaders, Noah Dekkers, for discipleship and Bible studies. Noah had joined Chi Alpha during the spring quarter, just a couple of weeks after he had found Christ, and he is hungry to learn more about God.

In August, pastor Winston had the honor to water-baptize Noah, with his dad and many Chi Alpha members present. Noah continues to grow in Christ and is a great leader for Chi Alpha this year. Praise God for a life changed at UCLA!

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