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**An Update from the Christian Student Center at the University of Tennessee,
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CONNECTING WITH CHRIST

by Darcie McCafferty, Junior at UT

I don't think I could pin point an exact moment in my life when I "came to Christ." I grew up in a Christian family and was a PK (Preacher's Kid), so Christ has always been there. I was baptized at a young age and strived to be like the Christians I knew, much like your typical storybook religious family.



Fast-forward a few years to being a teenager and everything is different. I had an enormous amount of doubt, confusion, and an overall internal struggle of "is this even worth it?" This was a period in my life when worship felt like a chore. I still went to church every time the doors were open, but I wasn't actually there.

Skipping ahead to January 2015, God's plan pulled through and I moved to Knoxville to attend UT. The first day of classes I walked into the CSC, not knowing a single person. I don't know why I felt I needed to go, but I'm glad I did. I gained so many new friendships and changed my lifestyle entirely. Through this, I grew spiritually.

I said earlier that I don't think I could recognize an exact moment of when I came to Christ, but I've realized that throughout my time with the CSC, this is it! I finally felt connected with Christ and I understood that I had a purpose. So, on January 26, 2016 I made the decision to be re-baptized.

I feel so blessed to be a part of the CSC, and I will always be eternally grateful for the impression the people there have made on me. It's amazing how quickly your life can change when you're around people who are striving to reach the same goal as you: Heaven.



VALENTINES DAY BABYSITTING FUNDRAISER

Want to have a romantic Valentine's Day (lunch) date with your spouse but have a gaggle of rowdy kids?

Drop those kiddoes off (and a sack lunch) with members of the CSC after 2nd service on Sunday the 14th until 3 pm.

Donations will be accepted as compensation to support the CSC's Spring Break Mission Trip to Los Angeles.



Jon Russell teaches at Encounter on 1/28, followed by Jason Buehler on 2/4, in the series, "Following Jesus Without Embarrassing God." Thanks Jon and Jason! Your lessons were phenomenal and well-received by the students.

CAMPUS SEMINARY is a discipleship program offering semester-long courses. The current course is called "Building Your Faith" and is taught by a number of guests teachers on Tuesday nights from 7-8pm at the CSC.

- January 19 - TYLER ELLIS: The Three Phases of Jesus' Ministry
- January 26 - LANCE BOYD: Church & Fellowship
- February 2 - SCOTT STEWART: Assurance & Doubt
- February 9 - NORRIS CLINE: Loving & Obeying God
- February 16 - JONATHAN PALK: Bible Reading
- February 23 - JORDAN ANDERSHOCK: The Four A.C.T.S. of Prayer
- March 1 - JONATHAN THOMAS: Training Your Conscience
- March 8 - DAVE KEIM: Purity & Temptation
- March 22 - GARY PEACOCK: Worship & Communion
- March 29 - ANTHONY FULLER: Time Management
- April 5 - JON RUSSELL: Giving
- April 12 - CHRIS DAVIS: Sharing Your Faith
- April 19 - JOHN WATERS: Enduring Suffering
- April 26 - JOEL McCREARY: Fasting



On January 27th, Tyler Ellis joined a room full of Christian Campus Ministers at UT (more not pictured) to connect, pray, and discuss current events and needs on campus.

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