



SKINNERREPORT

TROY UNIVERSITY

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Hello family & friends,

I pray that this finds you all doing well and growing in Jesus. For us, the school semester is back in full swing. This is an exciting time of making new friendships and enjoying fun events. In this newsletter, I want to share with you about our XA leadership team, Dorm Move In, Snow Cones on the Quad, Wednesday Night Worship and a family update. May you be encouraged as you read!



XA Leadership Team

On July 28-30th we held our annual XA Leadership Retreat at the Vineyard Retreat in Ariton, AL. Above is a picture of most of our leadership team for this school year. Our team is a little smaller than in years past, but they have been doing a fantastic job. They have been intentional in meeting and building relationships with other students. They have also shown a true joy in spending time with each other and serving God. We are very proud of them. Pray for them and the students they are discipling for Jesus Christ!



Dorm Move In

This is a humorous (but not staged) picture of our team that helped students move into the dorms on Saturday Aug 11th. In the middle is Daniel, with both arms in slings. The night before move in he was skate boarding and fell, spraining both elbows. The next day we encouraged him to stay home to rest, but he came anyway and passed out fliers and posters for XA. He was a real trooper, like the rest of our team, as we climbed stairs much of the day moving students into their rooms. Some good relationships began through move in and are being built upon now.



Snow Cones on the Quad

To help promote our events and to get to know students this semester, we spent several days on the Quad passing out free snow cones to students. We have seen some cool things come from this outreach. While in line for a snow cone, a young lady who was new to Troy began recruiting for XA and asking people to come to our worship service. Another girl who got a snow cone and was invited to our worship service decided to check it out. She had never been to a church service

before, but that night she experienced God in a real way. One of our students was able to lead her to Jesus Christ!! It is amazing how a genuine act of kindness, intentionality and purposeful friendship building can change someone's life. That young lady is already involved with a small group and is learning more about walking with Jesus! Praise the Lord.



Wednesday Night Worship

Things have been going well at our main worship meeting. Each week we are privileged to set up the Trojan Center Ballroom for a time of worship with a live band. We have seen an attendance of 100 students for these first 2 services. There has been a freedom of worship in our group from the very first week. Our students have done a great job of making new people feel welcomed and Jesus has been moving in our midst. We have also taken this time to promote our nine small groups that meet throughout the week. The picture above is Liz (an intern with XA) with some of our new international students during a time of fellowship after the worship service. Pray with us for more students to meet Jesus and walk in his freedom and grace.



Skinner Family Update

This is a picture of Joshua and Hannah's first day of school. Hannah is in 2nd grade and Joshua is in 4th grade. They both seem to be enjoying school, but not necessarily getting up in the morning. Joshua is playing flag football this year and he is enjoying it. Unfortunately Hannah will have to wait until next year to start cheer-leading.

As a family we are so thankful that we are able to represent Jesus to the students of Troy University. We appreciate your prayers and financial support! Together we are transforming the world one student at a time! May God bless you and your family!



Prayer Requests:

- **Wednesday Night Worship 7:30 pm at TC Ballroom.**
- **Life Groups** that meet throughout the week.
- **Our XA Interns** as they balance ministry & learning.
- **Family Night Fellowship Aug 31st.**
- **XAi Labor Day Party** Sept 3rd
- **Beach Breakaway** Sept 14-16th.
- **Salvations & Discipleship** of students.

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