



THE BRANDT BULLETIN

Chicago Metro Campus Crusade For Christ

Kristyn looked over to Amy with a look of shock on her face, leaned over and whispered “Is that really true?” Amy got a kick out of the fact that Kristyn seemed to think that she had more authority on the topic than the Fall Retreat speaker. What Kristyn was asking about was the statement that God the Father now sees each of us as being as perfect as Christ is... that Christ became our sin so that we could become His righteousness. This was one of “40 things that happen the moment you become a Christian,” which was the theme of our Fall Retreat.

Kristyn went on to look at the verse in 2 Corinthians to confirm that what the speaker was saying was actually true. She read the verse and then replied "That's crazy! I mean I knew He loved me... but lots of people love me... like my mom and my friends... I didn't know He loved me like that! That's crazy!" Amy often describes Kristyn her little sponge because she soaks up absolutely anything Amy tells her or anything she reads-- she often comes to discipleship appointments with a list of 10-15 questions that she has from the reading she's done that week. She's been growing like crazy this year.

Almost 110 students attended this year's Chicago Metro Fall retreat, more students than we've ever had attend. We were particularly excited that Kristyn and two other students from Dominican University were the first students from their school to ever attend our retreat.

We are thrilled with what God is doing at Dominican. Campus Crusade isn't even a semester old on this campus and we've already seen a growing Thursday Night Bible Study on the campus. Amy started out leading the study but has now pass the reigns over to Kristyn. One of the other student leaders, Bethany, is going to be starting up a second Bible Study during the day to try to attract more of the commuter students who make up a large amount of the school's population.

Our students are also planning the first major outreach on campus. Many of our Chicago Campuses, including Benedictine and Dominican are beta testing a new outreach strategy that they were exposed to at the retreat. This strategy uses short films to lead to spiritual conversations and sharing the Gospel. The feedback from these outreaches will be used to refine the strategy before it is launched as something that campuses will use nationwide. We are praying that this outreach happening at the end of the first semester will lead to some new students getting involved when we start back up for the second semester in January.



Esther and Jisl from Benedictine as well as Jessica, Bethany and Kristyn, three of the student leaders from Dominican with Amy after a morning session at the Chicago Metro Fall Retreat .