

The Lowedown

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Reflections on the last 20 years

Last week, something happened to me that has put me in a state of reflection.

I received a Facebook friend invitation from a guy with whom I went to high school. When I received the invitation, I immediately checked out his profile to see who he was.

I looked at his picture but didn't immediately recognize him. I was curious so I went out to the garage dusted off my old high school annual and found his high school picture. Aw yes. I definitely remembered him, but I couldn't remember what I remembered, if you know what I mean.

I couldn't remember if we were friends or if we had classes together. Did we ever hang out? I'm pretty sure we didn't run around in the same circles but I honestly couldn't remember what my level of friendship was.

I realized just how much has changed since I graduated from high school 26 years ago. Honestly, thinking about it, it is such a distant memory that it seems like another life. It almost doesn't seem real.

One of the reasons it seems so distant is because I joined Campus Crusade's staff which caused me to move away from the area. Moving away has made it much harder to maintain contact with the people I knew back then.

I began to reflect on my life on staff with Campus Crusade which called me away from this area so

many years ago. If you didn't know it, this past January marked my 20th year on staff with Campus Crusade for Christ.

A lot has happened over those 20 years and there have been lots of changes as well. I've been thinking how privileged and blessed we've been to do what we do. I've been thinking how grateful I am for you, our ministry partners, who have made it possible for us to be in this ministry.

I'm especially amazed by those who have been partners with me since the beginning.

This year has been a year of many changes and transitions. We've moved to a new area. We're working in a different role with different responsibilities and with a different team.

Yet our mission is still the same—we want to influence as many lives as we can to walk with Christ and we want to see as many laborers raised as possible to reach those who don't know Jesus.

In a few weeks, Jen and I will be

packing up the van and heading to the Davis/Sacramento area where we'll spend several weeks hoping to meet up with many of our friends and ministry partners. Knowing that we'll be in Davis for part of this summer, I can't help but reflect on the 10 years that we were in Davis and all that was accomplished.

Did you know that:

- In the 10 years we were in Davis, we saw over 250 students participate in summer missions projects with Campus Crusade for Christ? Many more students participated in projects with their home church or other missions agencies.
- During our time in Davis, we saw nearly 40 students give a year to missions through a stateside internship or an overseas STINT (Short Term INTERNATIONAL Project)?
- This summer, seven of our former students are joining Campus Crusade's staff, raising the total # of students from Davis who have joined our staff to 20? Many other students have joined other missions agencies or gone into the pastorate.

Reflecting on the Lord's goodness and faithfulness in the past helps me to dream about the future and anticipate what He might have in store over the next 20 years!

Thanks so much for your your partnership. Please pray with us that the Lord would use us for the next 20 years, to see more students reached for Him and more laborers sent to the world!



True Blue: Joshua (left) and Jacob (right) proudly wear their Dodger uniforms! Moving to Southern California did not make us Dodger fans. We've always been Dodger fans!