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A monthly newsletter from the life and ministry of Dave & Jennifer Lowe

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Earthquake Rocks L.A.!

This was the subject line of an e-mail I sent out just about 6 weeks ago to the National Leadership of Campus Crusade for Christ.

My e-mail had nothing to do with the small earthquake that shook the Los Angeles basin back in May. In fact, that earthquake hadn't even happened yet.

My e-mail was really about something historic and groundbreaking that the Lord was doing in our ministry and in the Los Angeles area.

Let me explain:

You might remember a few months ago when we shared with you about the growing Latino population among college students and also about the lack of laborers who are intentionally reaching out to this cultural group on campus.



Tiffany Irons, a UC Davis graduate who will be serving as an intern this fall on our newly formed L.A. Destino team. Pray for Tiffany, Cindy Lopez and Erika Urrutia as they raise the funds to serve as full-time interns next year.

Specifically, we asked you to join us in praying that the Lord would move to help us start a new Destino team in the Los Angeles area for next year.

Nearly 25% of the students in California, Arizona and Hawaii are Latino and yet we have had only 4 of our staff who were focused on reaching this group of students.

Los Angeles is a logical place to create a team that is working to exclusively reach Latino students and yet finding a leader to lead a new team has been very difficult.

After months of recruiting and sharing the need with people all over the U.S. I'm excited to share with you that we have found a leader for a new Destino team. In addition, we have recruited 3 recent graduates to be interns on this new team. Two of them are former students of ours from our Davis Destino ministry.

It's pretty exciting to see this all come together after a full year of dreaming, planning, recruiting and praying.

This news was so big and so historic within our ministry that its effects have been like a ripple effect with Campus Crusade.

This summer, over 220 recent graduates are in Colorado where they are joining Campus Crusade as full-time missionaries. Not long after their arrival, our new Destino leader, along with our national leadership gave a challenge to each New staff person to consider coming to Los Angeles to work with Destino and to be a part of this ministry that is reaching out to the Latino community on campus.

It remains to be seen how many people will respond to that challenge but clearly, there has been a shift in momentum within our ministry to encourage our staff and students to

On the Road Again

Our family will be logging a lot of miles this summer as we travel through the end of July to Davis, Groveland, Fresno and Colorado.

Most of our trip will be to visit friends and ministry partners as we seek to raise additional funds for our ministry. Two factors have contributed to the need for additional funds:

1. The higher cost of living in Southern California
2. The economy, which has resulted in a significant downturn in giving to our ministry.

Pray for safety as we travel. Also, please pray for the Lord's provision for us as we invite others to join us as ministry partners.

If you know someone who you think would be encouraged to hear about our ministry, please let us know. Feel free, also, to forward our newsletters to others who might be encouraged to hear about our ministry to college students.

focus on taking the gospel to the unreached cultural groups on campus.

This is truly an answer to prayer. Thank you for your commitment to pray with us and for us as we lead the charge in reaching every student of every culture on every campus!