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*Left: ALL the girls!  
Top: April posing with  
Nyshel, one of our girls from  
UNCP*



*Right: Celebrating Ed's  
birthday at the hockey  
game (minus Emerson)*

## “How did they all fit?”

This is the question we keep getting asked over and over again as we share with people that 28 girls stayed in one beach house and 11 guys stayed in our house this past weekend for spring retreat.

Was it tight? Yes. Was it crazy? Yes. Did the Lord move in the students' lives over the weekend? A resounding yes!

The girls spent the weekend talking about our identity in Christ and how the Lord desires to satisfy our deepest longings and needs but we tend to look to the things of this world instead of to Christ. The guys were challenged to make the Word of God their foundation by studying it and looking at different men in the Bible, how they led, their pitfalls, and how they turned to Christ in the midst of these struggles. Both the men and women were sent off to have some extended time in the Word with the Lord to listen and meditate on what they were learning.

The girls relaxed by having “girl” talk, playing games, going bowling, and watching movies. The guys did “manly” things like eating meat, playing poker, having a bonfire, and throwing around the football.

We saw students who already have relationships with Christ growing as they

learned something new, were challenged in how they are living or what they currently believe, and open up to be real with each other.

We saw several students who do not currently have a relationship with Christ move many steps closer to making this important decision as they opened up and had significant spiritual conversations where they confessed that the Lord was working on their hearts and they were very close to surrendering their lives to him. One girl even shared that Emerson played a major role in her opening up and sharing a dark secret in her life that she had never told anyone. Praise the Lord for using our precious baby to bring a girl closer to knowing Him as her Savior.

Did we lose sleep? Yes. Did we need a few more bathrooms for the women? Yes. Did we have to give directions more times than we can count on two hands as they continually got lost? Yes. But the Lord used every part of the weekend - the car accident, students getting pulled over by police, almost running out of food, students showing up unexpected at the last possible minute - to bring glory to His name and to move in these students' hearts.

Thank you for your prayers and making this possible!!

### Prayer Requests:

- The Lord exceeded our expectations for mens and womens weekend and they were huge successes!!
- We are seeing the number of leaders we have being doubled as we challenge leaders for the fall!!
- We may have found a loophole while waiting for a new policy at Wake Tech - pray that it pans out and that we are allowed on campus.
- Pray that the Lord will open doors as we look at launching at new campuses this spring.
- Pray for wisdom and discernment as we decide who to challenge to leadership for the fall.
- Pray for more laborers for our team for the fall.

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