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Left: Our team and some of our students at our vision dinner



Top: The ladies at our womens retreat



Right: Our family at Kinsley's 4th birthday party!

A MADE partnership

Antonio's heart was stirred. As he sat listening to Derrick Smith, a man from the Summit church in Raleigh, NC, who had traveled to UNCP to share with an organization Antonio was leading called MADE, he knew it was exactly what he needed to hear.

MADE, which stands for Mentors Advancing for Distinction and Empowerment, is the largest student organization at UNCP with approximately 120 students and exists to assist students with academic development. They do a lot of community service in the Pembroke area and they have recently been wanting to add a spiritual component to the group. After speaking with Antonio, who is the main leader, and having him meet several of our student leaders with Cru, Impact, and Nations, he asked us to lead one of his weekly meetings as a Bible study.

At the meeting, Antonio began by sharing how the Lord had formed an unlikely friendship between MADE and Cru and introduced the main speaker, Derrick Smith. Derrick shared the Gospel boldly, he affirmed the work they were already doing in the community, and challenged them to know Jesus in everything they do. Then, we asked them to break into pairs and discuss a few questions that we gave them. The

night went really well, but the best part was definitely hearing Antonio share with us after the meeting was over.

Antonio kept sharing how perfect everything was, that he loved what the night was about, and that he thought the group was really engaged. After sharing about how it was exactly what he needed to hear, he said he was feeling more and more compelled to read the Bible. He even asked where in the Bible to start reading!

Antonio is excited to do this again with MADE (maybe even make it as regular as once a month) and to brainstorm how we can have a deeper relationship between our student groups. This is HUGE given that members of his organization may not be believers and may not welcome our presence.

As we seek to reach all areas on campus and to make sure everyone on campus knows someone who truly follows Christ, entering into and partnering with student organizations filled with nonbelievers will allow us to be used by the Lord to do just that!

Thank you for being a part of trusting the Lord to reach every student on every one of our campuses in Eastern NC! We couldn't do this without you!!

Prayer Requests:

- Pray for Antonio that he would read His Bible and surrender his life to Christ
- Praise that we were able to raise a significant amount of funds for our campus account through our vision dinner!
- Pray for a new faculty advisor to be raised up at Wake Tech North.
- Pray that the Lord would raise the money for the 11 students from ENC who are going on summer projects!
- We have a lot going on in the next two months with finishing the semester, planning for next semester, visiting ministry partners, and finalizing details for NYC project - pray that we would balance it all well.

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