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Left: NYC Summer Mission students at our apartment

Top: Praying at St. John's

Right: The kids and April on Mother's Day

This is Where I Live?!?!?

Taylor looked around at the big buildings, taxi cabs, and blinking lights and asked "This is where I am living for the summer?" Having never been to NYC, she was amazed.

Taylor, a student from Texas State, is one of the 19 students and 11 staff who arrived last week to serve on the NYC Summer Missions.

Students traveled from campuses all around the country to spend 5 weeks living in and sharing their faith with college students in NYC.

The first few days of their arrival were spent briefing them on the history of the city and the campuses they would be working on, acclimating them to city living, bonding them together as a team, having cultural training, going to the church they will be attending and serving at, and praying for the city and colleges. This week, they have begun to step foot on campus where they are planning events to invite students to, meeting students and building relationships with them, and attempting to get in spiritual conversations. They have also started having weekly Bible studies and one-on-one discipleship

with a staff member.

Because NYC has such rich diversity, we are hoping to introduce them to many different people groups in the city. This week, we went to an Ethiopian restaurant and spent time praying for this ethnic group.

Erin is a student here from Berea College, which is one of the ministries we started when we were in Central Kentucky. Ben, a guy from the University of South Carolina, is the brother of my brother's old college roommate. It is so neat to see the Lord connect the pieces and bring things full-circle!

Would you pray with us for the students and staff on the NYC Summer Missions? Pray they would be used by the Lord to create a lasting impact on students' lives and on the campuses here, pray they would grow mightily in their personal lives and walks with the Lord, and pray that the Lord will help us to lead them well. We are so thankful for your partnership that allows us to be here! Through us, you are making a lasting impact in NYC too!

Prayer Requests:

- All the students arrived safely!
- Pray for the Lord to go before us on these campuses as we try to make connections and share about our faith.
- We are developing good relationships with people around us who are Muslim, Agnostic, and Jewish. Pray for God to provide opportunities to share with them about Jesus.
- Pray for our 2 student leaders at Queens College who are on Summer Missions in NJ.
- Pray for wisdom for some big decisions we are making in our family - possible surgery for Kinsley, money for the surgery, needing both girls at same school in the fall, problems with kids at school, etc.

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