



Greetings!

I enjoying utilizing the arts when evangelizing to those around you. One of my best memories from this year was when we held an event to equip others in evangelism. We held the training after our normal burn service. We reviewed and explained the biblical foundation of sharing the gospel as well as engaged in prayer.

In preparation to evangelise, people were praying for a specific word to share. During this time, I began drawing an image of a woman who was at a crossroads in life with her mind in a fog. After the time spent in prayer, we separated into two groups and went out into town.



Being an unanimous choice among our group, we decided to go to a local coffee shop. As we sat in the coffee shop, I was approached by two ladies who were sitting in a corner. We had a conversation of our love for movies and art, coming to realize that we all are artists. Due to our synonymous interests, I believed that this was who God was speaking to. Of the two women we conversed with, we found that one is Lebanese, being coincidental in that my friend in our group is Egyptian. Due to this common ground, both of them were excited to have the opportunity to speak Arabic to each other and share their testimonies.

Referring to my drawing (see right), I asked her if she was at a crossroad in life and unable to reach the next goal without struggling. Her friend looked shocked and then told us that this was exactly how she felt. I told her that I envisioned her in a crossroads and that her mind was occupied by clouded thoughts. The woman claimed she knew which direction that she should take, but was overwhelmed because she has always had setbacks in reaching her goal.



As I continued to speak to her about what I saw, she began to tear up. She stated that she had been trying to launch into the arts community for some time now, but has met resistance at every stage of her progression. I began sharing with her what God was speaking to me for her and how God is going to honor her perseverence in continuing her aspirations. In that moment, I shared the drawing I had sketched earlier from our group's prayer time to her. In response to this reveal, you could not doubt that God was in every aspect of that conversation and how He was ministering to her.

Our group was able to share the gospel with her and God was glorified throughout the entire meeting. Through that experience, I was able to use my talents to share the gospel with someone, while the group that came with me were able to see the blending of the arts and evangelism.

Thank you so much for making this all possible, with your donations you are helping to change lives not only in Greenville but all across eastern North Carolina!

Blessings,
Lauren Smith
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Pray for the staff as we are on a Sabbatical during December



At the our prayer house, the Boiler Room, we collectively decided that this month we will be taking a sabbatical until the new year. "Our strategy shifted significantly at the beginning of the year, as we moved our focus from monthly Burns to weekly prayer meetings. Our vision for building day & night prayer for revival has not changed, but the strategy did. This new strategy has enabled us to grow from about 30 hours of worship & prayer each month to about 54 hours of worship & prayer each month, including five weekly meetings of focused intercession." Please keep the Boiler Room in your prayers during this time.



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