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SUPPORTER NIGHT!

Wednesday July 5th at 7PM there will be a night of story and thanksgiving for this past year and prayer for the year coming up! You are invited! Please come and bring anyone else you feel would be blessed to hear about God's work on campus.

Where: Central Fellowship Baptist Church

When: 7PM

MORE DETAILS TO COME!



"As you come to see who I am, will you still follow me?"

As you see I am humble. As you see whoever wants to be first must be the slave of all. **As you see that my path to be the Messiah is the cross.**

Beginning with Jesus' rebuke of Peter, "get behind me Satan", the second of half of the book of Mark is primarily about Jesus' journey to the cross and his followers' struggle to accept him for the humble, suffering Messiah that he is.

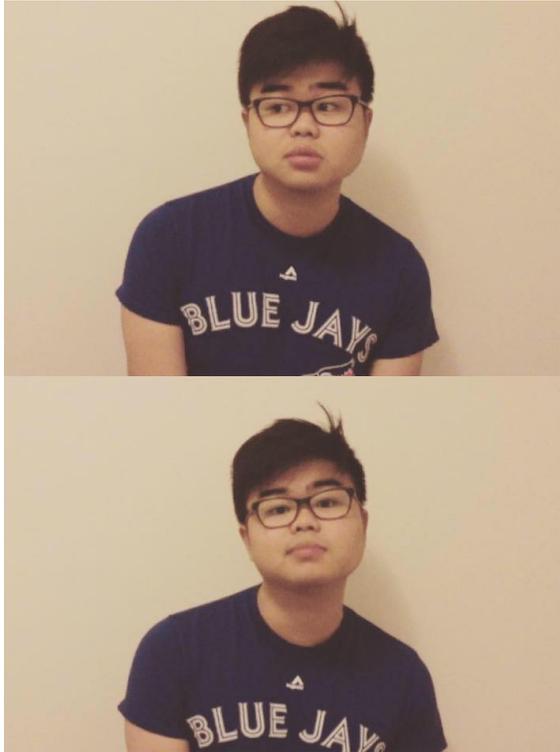
Except for a few examples such as the Centurion at the cross, "surely this man was the Son of God", and the woman anointing Jesus before his crucifixion with costly perfume, the characters portrayed in this section of Mark seem a bit confused, faithless, and/or disloyal to this Messiah. Myself and fellow IVCF staff Jacqueline Brower and Rebecca Thornber had the privilege of journeying with 30 students into these rich, convicting passages in the second part of Mark! The gospel leaves us asking, **how now will you respond to this gospel?**

Overall, there were almost 100 students at MarkWest this year divided into different groups studying the book of Mark and Genesis.

It is a true gift to be able to lead students into a deeper understanding of who Jesus is. Many times during the week I felt privileged to facilitate an interaction between these students and their Maker. Praying with them and having them hear Jesus' voice, offering them opportunities to confess their sins and speaking to them the truth of Jesus' grace, and inviting them to carry a cross and connect with Christ carrying his were all highlights.

It was my favourite MarkWest yet (which is saying something) because of the way the Holy Spirit moved amongst students in my track, and the students that came from UNBC. We brought a diverse group of 19 students this year and we look forward to even more next year!

Take some time to read a few of their stories!



Danny Garcia

MarkWest was a truly life changing experience in many ways as I was able to spend a whole week concentrating in understanding scripture in the book of Mark with fellow university students who were really desiring to understand who Jesus Christ is. Everything about MarkWest was amazing -- the participants were welcoming and engaged in deep, thought-provoking conversations, the scenery by the ocean was breathtaking, the food was A++, and the content of what we were learning was eye opening in many different cases. **God was everywhere that week and was revealing many different truths to everyone that was seeking it.** Looking forward to coming back next year for Mark 2!



Jill Bisaro

MarkWest came at the perfect time for me! I was at the end of a stressful, hard semester and was confused about the path God had me on, and whether He truly was this 'Great Provider' that everyone told me he was. As I sat down to dive into what Mark had to say, I thought I already knew everything the Gospels had to say to me, but God had different plans for me. He showed me the doubt and confusion the disciples experienced as they walked with and discovered who Jesus was, and how similar I was to them. He spoke to me multiple times that week saying "Jill, my 12 followers were confused and angry, but I still calmed the storm, I still provided bread and fish. **I have not abandoned you**". MarkWest was truly an opportunity for me to look at Gods word in a fresh, new way, and

I'm so grateful for the experience.

Prayer Requests

East-Asia Global Partnership: As we gear up to leave July 15th, pray that our fundraising and Visa applications continue to go smooth. Pray also for the students we will be meeting, for their salvation!

Graduates: We had a lot of students graduate this year! Pray for them as they begin new careers and adventures, that Jesus would continue to lead and guide them and that they may honour him in all they do.

Next Year: We are planning our strategic priorities at UNBC for next year. Pray for us to have wisdom and imagination for where Jesus would like to extend our witness on campus.





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