# Tis the Season...

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Student leaders and campus staff from MiraCosta at leadership training.

#### PLEASE PRAY:

- That the student leaders will continue to seek after a unified God focused community.
- For Amber and I as we continue to fundraise.

### TIS THE SEASON . . . TO BE LEADING

On November 5th, 18 students from both Cal State San Marcos and Mira-Costa College joined together for the colleges' first formal leadership retreat, "Ain't no mountain high enough..." For

the first time these students embraced that there "Aint no mountain high enough..." to stand in the way of God's purposes for their campus.

Through a scripture study the students learned how to study God's Word and let it speak truth into their lives.

In their study of the first 4 chapters of Acts, the students were able to see a glimpse of community which was united by God in prayer, spreading the gospel, and in their love for all of God's people. It was through the study of Acts that the students realized God wanted to form a similar community on the college campus; one that desires after God's heart, is bold, and prays with His power and authority.

After realizing the kind of community they wanted to become, the students visioned how this would look

on campus. They would be a community united in prayer wanting to see God move and tear down the mountains that have hindered people from knowing the truth about God. Just like in Acts, a unified group of believers can have an impact on lives, their surroundings, and on the entire world. These students are destined to impact their campus communities and be world changers in His name.

Please pray that the passion the students got for their campus would continue to grow.

## TIS THE SEASON . . . TO BE FUNDRAISING

Coming onto InterVarsity staff I was excited to share God's truth, work with college students, and see lives changed just as mine had in college. But to get to do and see these things I first had to experience the seemingly impossible task fundraising. I knew that somehow God would teach and redefine me so much through this process, but for the first 2 months it was hard to really understand this.

Finally in this last month God has been bringing things to the light. Fundrais-

ing is not the dreaded and impossible task as I once thought it was, but instead it is such a blessing to go through. Through this process God has taught me several things. He showed me that I am not defined by what I can or cannot do or even what my job title is. Instead my primary calling is to be a child of God and to be confident in that. He has also taught me what it means to be patient and actively wait on God. No matter how much work I do, He is in control of when I get on campus. God is

definitely engraining what it means to truly lean on and follow Him. Although the process of fundraising can be hard and frustrating at times I do know that these are lessons that I must learn basic; lessons of what it means to have true faith in Him.

I am currently at 35% and still have a while to go before I get on campus. Please pray that God would continue to keep me motivated and focused on Him. through this process.



#### SPECIAL THANKS:

Thank you so much for all your support and prayers. I thank God that He has brought us together in this partnership. I hope that you know how much of a blessing and encouragement you have all been to me. God bless you and your families during this holiday season.