

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

- Acts 1:8

CALEB & LAURA COOK

MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY

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“I’m going to talk about the two best biblical perspectives that have helped me.” As I heard this, I was instantly intrigued. I thought, “This man has forty-one years of experience in campus ministry and he’s about to tell me his secrets!” I leaned a little forward and got ready to take notes.

The speaker continued, “Number one is walking in the Spirit by faith... the second is trusting and resting in the sovereignty of God.” I’m ashamed to admit it, but I leaned back in my chair. I said to myself, “That seems so simple-- that’s nothing new.”

Right after our cross-cultural training, we had the incredible chance to attend the Cru national staff conference in Fort Collins, CO. For one week, thousands of staff from all over the United States came together to hear from the leaders of Cru, share stories of how God is working, and look forward to the future of where God is leading.



We joined over 4,500 other U.S. Cru staff in the arena at Colorado State University

As we traveled back to Wisconsin, I couldn’t help but look back and realize how true the speaker’s statements were. Laura and I joined staff with Cru to introduce people to Christ and begin to coach them in how to follow Jesus for the rest of their lives. But only God can do those things!

Furthermore, when I consider all of the things that God has been doing in our lives and in Uruguay, I’m

completely blown away. This past year alone, over 1100 people in Montevideo have heard about Jesus, 77 of whom put their faith in Christ!

Some of those men and women have taken on leadership roles within Vida Estudiantil, others have started getting involved in small group communities and even others have made the decision to begin sharing their faith on the university campuses. One woman has decided to join with Cru as a full-time missionary! As people in Uruguay have put their faith in Christ, God has started to change their lives.

On August 20th, we’ll be heading back to Uruguay. As we finish getting ready to go, please pray that we depend on God’s power through His Spirit and trust in Him. We believe that God has an incredible plan for the Uruguayan college students. Please pray that God continues to work on the campuses in Montevideo. Thank you so much for your partnership.

In Christ,

Caleb + Laura



Our first time at the bi-annual National Cru Staff Conference in Fort Collins, CO

Prayer Requests

Right now, there’s a group of eight recent college graduates who are raising support to come to Uruguay with us in August for one year. Please pray that God provides for them.

Please pray for us as we say goodbye and prepare to move permanently to Montevideo. Pray for safe travels and smooth transitions.

You’re Invited!

Our **Madison Area Open House** is on **Sunday, August 4th, 3 to 7 p.m.**

Come and hear stories from Uruguay and visit with us before we return to Montevideo. We’d love to see you! Hosted by Caleb’s parents at: **417 W. Water Street, Cambridge, WI 53523.**

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