

Hi prayer partners,

Dave and I hope you're enjoying the New Year so far whether it's been spent watching snowflakes drifting or sun shining!

We wanted to thank you for your prayers specifically for our fund development needs this past December. On New Year's eve we sent out a prayer request for the \$2,000 we needed to meet our goal for the end of the fiscal year. Within those few hours God provided \$4,005, double of what we needed! We are grateful for both your prayers and partnership that have enabled us to start the year well. Already Dave has led a retreat for his student leaders at Ferris to help them plan for the year, spend time praying that God would help them to live out their faith on campus and participate in what Jesus is doing around the world. Please pray that students would have transformative experiences through the scripture studies that will begin next week.

I'll be heading to Pittsburgh next week to help with an "Extreme Hunger, Extreme Hope" campus outreach at the University of Pittsburgh which will focus on raising awareness about global poverty and hunger. Through interactive art and faith stations, a talent show and a "broken bread" meal of porridge many in poverty eat every day students will be invited to consider how Jesus would have them respond to how faith intersects with justice. Please pray that many students would embrace the hope that Jesus offers both to the areas of brokenness in our own lives and the brokenness in this world.

We are profoundly thankful for you and your participation in caring for the lives of college students across the midwest and country,

Jessica & Dave Fick