



# PITT-JOHNSTOWN

## *Protestant Campus Ministry*

Intense.

This semester has been intense. With that said I extend my sincerest apologies for not sending out a newsletter sooner. Where do I even begin? We've had an amazing few months here at PCM walking through some of the things God has placed before us. Our Sunday night series began with "Death of Me" as we looked into what it really means to die to self and live for Christ. We posed the question, "How does the death of me glorify God?" speaking about our old self and nature of course. And how once we begin to simply let our old self die that God takes over those areas and replaces it with more and more of him. Then we begin to look more and more life Christ as we live out our daily lives.

Our second series was titled, "What you thankin?" a play on words to really get us questioning what are we really thinking about when we sin and can we really give God thanks in our sin? The Bible says that we are to give God thanks in everything we do, so if we are doing something we cannot give God thanks or glory for, then we probably shouldn't be doing it. Changing our motives from that of a selfish ambition to a self-less one.

There have been many ups and downs. Many questions, and many answers given throughout this semester. But one thing remains, people are coming to Christ and giving glory to God through it all! One student in particular who we have gotten to know over the last few years as a self proclaimed atheist came to salvation during one of our Sunday evening services and since has been studying the Bible and telling the people he's come into contact with about his new life and experience with God. It has been a joy to watch this young man learn and grow in his faith. Even so it has been an honor to be apart of all of these students lives who are involved to be able to guide and direct them in Biblical matters and watch their eyes light up as they begin to understand their purpose and reason for being here serving God.

Thank you again for all of your support and if you know of anyone who would be willing to come along side of you in support of this ministry please pass this letter on to them so that we would be able to continue to do what God has called us to do here on the Campus of Pitt Johnstown and even greater things than these!



In His Service,  
Brad Dayton  
Campus Minister

## HEAR WHAT THE STUDENTS HAVE TO SAY!

As each semester comes and goes we are extremely grateful for all of the lessons God teaches us and how we are challenged to continue to grow in our relationships with Christ. Through all of the events and fellowship times we are able to dive deeper into a relationship with the Lord and with each other. This semester has been no different and we are excited to share some of our favorite moments with you!

I have been involved with PCM here on campus for a little over a year now. The ministry has done so much for me that I could talk about it for a while. I feel beyond blessed to be involved in this ministry and because of my involvement I met, amazing people that I probably would not have met otherwise. These people have become my friends, spiritual guides, and my support system. Throughout the past year, I have gone through very trying times and even when the other students of PCM did not know me that well, they were always there for me. It is refreshing to be able to be myself and know that the other students of PCM love me for me. When I am having a bad day these are the people I turn to when I need someone to talk to, or cry to, ask for prayer requests, or pray with. If you told me a year ago that I would be involved in the Protestant ministry at all especially as much as I am today, I surely would not believe you.

Everyone on the leadership team last year, and this year are phenomenal. The amount of biblical knowledge that these students have is impressive and their love for God and serving Him is even more impressive. They truly are leaders and I am not sure if they know how much I aspire to have as a strong of a relationship with God as the five of them do. When I have biblical questions the first person I go to is Brad, and I also direct my questions to the individuals on the leadership team. It is beyond refreshing to see five college students who lead busy lives always take the time to put God first and serve in this ministry.

*~Taylor Somerville~*



As a student at Pitt Johnstown, campus ministry has been a significant impact in my life. Friends are widespread and opportunities are readily available. Campus Ministry has given me a greater perspective and presented me with friendships that will last a lifetime. Honestly, my life here would never be the same without it.

*~Ryan Thomas~*





## WANT TO GET INVOLVED?

- Life group mentors
- Church visitations
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- Media Team
- FCA
- Time Out
- Sunday Night Experience
- Student Retreats
- Service Projects / Outreach
- Spring Impact



### \*ATTENTION\*

Our annual fundraising dinner is coming up on April 20th 2018. If you would like to sponsor a table of 8 seats or want to get involved in another way please contact Brad Dayton via phone or email. Thank you!

### \*ATTENTION PASTORS & CONGREGATIONS\*

One of the great avenues of support for this ministry is through the local congregations of this area. We want to do our best to say "Thank You!" and to keep you informed as to what is happening here on campus. If you would like to have Brad or a few student representatives greet your congregation, please contact us via phone or email.

If you would like to receive our newsletter electronically, please notify us at [bdayton@pitt.edu](mailto:bdayton@pitt.edu)

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