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An Audience with the President

Praise

Katy celebrated her seventh birthday on September 20.

Jeff and Katy helped pass out Freshman Survival Kits at a local community college (See page 2).

Jeff celebrates his 20th spiritual birthday at the end of October. *Prayer Requests*

Pray for the *Essentials* Project team. Pray that they will come up with a strategy guide that will meet the needs of our student leaders.

Pray for God to raise up leaders to help Blake launch a movement at Seminole Community College (See page 2).

Pray that God would be preparing students hearts to hear and respond to the gospel. The *Essentials of Spiritual Growth and Multiplication* is a small-group discussion series designed to help students grow in Christ as they become involved in a ministry of spiritual multiplication.

The lessons encourage students to see change in their own lives, and then tell others about what they are learning. *Essentials* is aimed at reaching natural relational networks that already exist.

Last year, Jeff was asked to post the *Essentials* series on GodSquad. After using the series, many staff and student leaders believe it is a more effective way to lead small groups that reach out on their campuses.

Jeff recently met with Steve Douglass, the president of Campus Crusade for Christ International. Steve developed the *Essentials* series two years ago as he worked with staff and students at the University of Central Florida.

Jeff met with Steve to revise the leader's guide for the Bible study. Jeff wanted to help make the guide more "student-friendly." It had originally been written for Campus Crusade staff.

Jeff really enjoyed getting to collaborate with the president of Campus Crusade. They met for an hour and it was a very productive time.



Production has begun on 24 videos to use with the *Essentials of Spiritual Growth and Multiplication* series. The first video is a powerful short film on forgiveness.

You can view it at: godsquad.com/discipleship/essentials.htm

Jeff left the meeting very thankful that God used his gifting to help make a ministry resource even better. What a joy it was to give valuable input and to have an audience with Steve Douglass!

The next step in the process will not involve Jeff. One of Steve's assistants is going to put together a project team of our Campus Crusade distance coaches and several student leaders who can give input. The hope is to come up with a guide that will answer the questions that student leaders would ask as they implement *Essentials* as a strategy on their campus.

To find out more about *Essentials*, visit godsquad.com/discipleship/essentials.htm.

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Photo Album Pictures (clockwise from top left)

- Katy celebrates her seventh birthday with a bowling party.
- Lydia is our curly-topped joy.
- Katy and Jeff helped pass out Freshman Survival Kits at a local community college. Katy was really in her element and enjoyed interacting with the students.
- Over 200 Survival kits were given away. Fifty students attended a pizza party that evening. To find out more about Jeff and Katy's adventure, visit http://
- bridgforthfamily.com/sccoutreach
- Ryan loves music and he really enjoys playing his guitar.